### First Baptist Church at Worship

March 17, 2019 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Second Sunday in Lent

### Gathering

Greeting Austin Carty

Gathering Song

When We Are Living

SOMOS DEL SEŇOR



When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus, and when we're dying, it is in the Lord.

Both in our living and in our dying, we belong to God, we belong to God. REFRAIN

Across this wide world, we shall always find those who are crying with no peace of mind,

But when we help them, or when we feed them, we belong to God, we belong to God. REFRAIN

'Mid times of sorrow and in times of pain, when sensing beauty or in love's embrace,

Whether we suffer, or sing rejoicing, we belong to God, we belong to God. REFRAIN

- Roberto Escamilla

Call to Worship

**Austin Carty** 

The Lord is our light and our salvation.

Whom then shall we fear?

The Lord is the strength of our lives.

Of whom shall we be afraid?

Wait for the Lord. Be strong, take heart,
for we are citizens of heaven.

+Hymn 549

Come, We That Love the Lord

FESTAL SONG

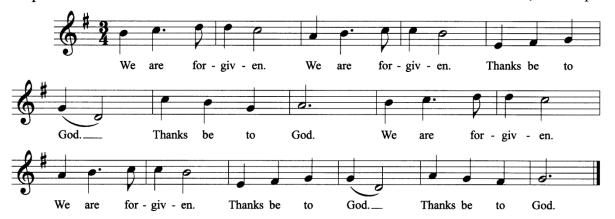
### +Prayer of Confession

**Paul Sims** 

Lord, our light and salvation, our shield and the stronghold of our lives, we confess that we have neglected Your gracious words; for though You have granted us citizenship in heaven, we have concerned ourselves with earthly things, and though Your Son has borne the cross for our redemption, we have indulged the flesh, fearing to follow him as we should.

Forgive us, merciful God, for our shameful ways, and transform us in accordance with Your glory and the power by which Christ Jesus rules over all things.

+Response by Hal Hopson



### The Word

Children's Sermon Alice Tremaine

Psalm 27 setting by Vera Lyons



The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life;

of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,

to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud,

be gracious to me and answer me!

"Come," my heart says, "seek God's face!"

Your face, LORD, do I seek.

Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path.

I believe that I shall see the goodness

of the LORD in the land of the living.

Wait for the LORD; be strong, and take courage; wait for the LORD! REFRAIN

A Reading from the Epistles: Philippians 3:17-4:1

**Austin Carty** 

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn

#### We're Citizens of Heaven

**AURELIA** 

We're citizens of heaven; we know where we belong.

O God, Your love surrounds us; we sing Your kingdom song.

The grace of Christ transforms us; in him our life is found;

We sing with joy and gladness, for we are heaven-bound.

We're citizens of heaven here in an earthly home;

Lord, it can be a challenge to live as You have shown.

With loyalties divided, we wonder what to do –

To follow wealth and power, or bravely follow You?

We're citizens of heaven; renew our sense of call.

Lord, deepen our commitment to serve You over all.

For we are Your creation; by grace, we are Your own.

Forgive our sinful wand'rings and bring Your people home.

- Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

A Reading from the Gospels: Luke 13:31-35

**Paul Sims** 

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

"Our Citizenship Is in Heaven"

**Austin Carty** 

# Responding

+Hymn 550

We're Marching to Zion

MARCHING TO ZION

If you wish to present yourself for membership today, or if you have another decision to share, please come to the front of the sanctuary during the hymn and a minister will receive you. You are welcome here.

+Offertory Prayer

Alice Tremaine

Loose change received in March will support The Mustard Seed Garden.

Offertory Anthem

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

by Gilbert Martin

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,

Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one,

Holy Zion's help forever, and our confidence alone.

To this temple where we call You, come, O Lord of hosts and stay;

Come, with all Your lovingkindness, hear Your people as they pray,

And Your fullest benediction shed within these walls alway.

Grant, we pray, to all Your faithful all the gifts they ask to gain;

What they gain from You forever with the blessed to retain;

And hereafter in Your glory evermore with You to reign.

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Praise and honor to the Father, praise and honor to the Son,
Praise and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one,
One in might and one in glory while unending ages run. Amen, amen.

- 7<sup>th</sup> century Latin hymn

Prayers of the People

**Austin Carty** 

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

+Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# Sending

+The Peace Paul Sims

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

+Hymn 636 Children of God CHILDREN OF GOD

refrain; stanzas; refrain

+Commission and Blessing

**Austin Carty** 

Paul says the fruit of the Spirit is

Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Generosity, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control. May we live by the Spirit.

Organ Postlude

Marching to Zion

setting by Jon Spong

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Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist

The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in honor of my mother, Virginia Hawkins, and in memory of my father, Jim Hawkins, by Marsha and Danny Barnett