## First Baptist Church at Worship

March 24, 2019 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Third Sunday in Lent

# Gathering

Greeting Austin Carty

Gathering Song

Come Now to the Water

by Alexander Peters



Why forsake the Lord, the fount of living water,

Choosing broken cups that cannot be filled? REFRAIN

For the Lamb will be our shepherd and will guide us

To the well-springs of the water of life. REFRAIN

All who come may take this gift of living water.

They will thirst no more, for they shall be filled. **REFRAIN** 

- from Isaiah 55 & John 4

#### Call to Worship

**Austin Carty** 

O God, we seek You, and our souls thirst for You.

Our flesh faints for the Lord, as in a dry and weary land.

O God, Your steadfast love is better than life itself!

We will bless the Lord as long as we live;

we will lift up our hands and call on God's name.

- from Psalm 63

+Hymn 285

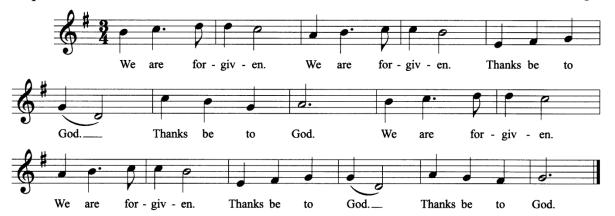
God of Grace and God of Glory

**CWM RHONDDA** 

stanzas 1, 2, and 3

**Paul Sims** 





### The Word

Children's Sermon Alice Tremaine

Psalm 63 setting by David Strasser



O God, You are my God, I seek You, my soul thirsts for You;

my flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

So I have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory.

Because Your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise You. REFRAIN So I will bless You as long as I live;

I will lift up my hands and call on Your name.

My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,

and my mouth praises You with joyful lips,

for You have been my help,

and in the shadow of Your wings I sing for joy. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Epistles: I Corinthians 10:1-13

**Austin Carty** 

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



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

Through all our living, we our fruits must give. Good works of service are for offering.

When we are giving, or when receiving, 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

A Reading from the Gospels: Luke 13:1-9

**Paul Sims** 

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

"On Whom the Ends of the Ages Have Come"

**Austin Carty** 

# Responding

+Hymn 48

### Great Is Thy Faithfulness

**FAITHFULNESS** 

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

Sandi Curd

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

Offertory Anthem

#### Come, Thou Fount

setting by James Cram

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;

Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise:

Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;

Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;

And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home:

*Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;* 

He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!

Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee:

*Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;* 

Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

- Robert Robinson

#### 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 587 Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound

**NEW BRITAIN** 

stanza 1 – all in unison

stanza 2 – women's voices in unison

stanza 3 – men's voices in unison

stanza 4 – all voices in parts

stanza 5 – all voices in unison

### +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

#### Lord, Who Across the Ages

by Gayle Majors

Lord of all freedom, from our earthly fear by Thy presence now release us, unto us draw near. Lord of all courage, in the testing hour with Thy living Word sustain us, save us by Thy power. Lord of all vision, give us eyes to see our own place within Thy purpose, all we in love can be.

- M. Vernon Davis

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Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist

The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in memory of Casey Ryan Nicholson

Austin, April, Ada, and Julianna Carty