First Baptist Church at Worship

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2021
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Organ Voluntary In Christ, There Is No East or West

setting by Dale Wood

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.
In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord close-binding humankind.

- John Oxenham

Greeting and Call to Worship

Paul Sims

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We gather to worship as people of Easter,

people who know that Life is stronger than death.

We gather to worship as children of God,

children loved and claimed by the risen Lord.

We gather to worship as the body of Christ,

the church called out for service in the world.

Hymn

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

LLANFAIR

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!
Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!
But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now o'er all the earth he's King, Alleluia!

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Where the angels ever sing: Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia! Praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

- 14th century Latin hymn

A Moment for Children

Nick Hibbard

A Reading from the Epistles

Paul Sims

I John 5:1-5

Hymn

Victory in Jesus

HARTFORD

during the singing of the hymn, children are dismissed for Children's Church

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory,
How he gave his life on Calvary to save a wretch like me:
I heard about his groaning, of his precious blood's atoning,
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory. REFRAIN
I heard about his healing, of his cleansing power revealing,
How he made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see;
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit,"
And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory. REFRAIN
I heard about a mansion he has built for me in glory,
And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea;
About the angels singing, and the old redemption story,
And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory. REFRAIN

REFRAIN: O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever.

He sought me and bought me with his redeeming blood;

He loved me ere I knew him, and all my love is due him; He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood.

- E. M. Bartlett

A Reading from the Gospels John 15:9-17

David Cassady

Hymn

They'll Know We Are Christians

ST. BRENDAN'S

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord.
We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord.
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

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We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand. We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand. And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other; we will work side by side. We will work with each other; we will work side by side. And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride. And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come.

And all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son.

And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one.

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

- Peter Scholtes

Sermon

"Love, Jesus Style"

David Cassady

Hymn

Help Us Accept Each Other

AURELIA

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; Teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us, and bring us to believe We are ourselves accepted, and meant to love and live.

We are ourselves accepted, and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, Your lessons, as in our daily life

We struggle to be human and search for hope and faith.

Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,

To love them as we find them, or as they may become.

Let Your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved

In living situations to do the truth in love;

To practice Your acceptance until we know by heart

The table of forgiveness, and laughter's healing art.

- Fred Kaan

Prayers of the People

Alice Tremaine

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.

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.
We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.
When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain;
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

- John Fawcett

Commission and Blessing

Paul Sims

Go now, and bear fruit for God, fruit that will last.

As Christ has loved you, so love one another, and abide in God's love, that your joy may be complete. **Amen.**

Organ Postlude

The Church's One Foundation

setting by John Innes

Sanctuary flowers are given in memory of my mother

Marie Leake

by

Linda Leake Wilson

Children's Church

Nick Hibbard will be leading Children's Church on Sundays, but will need one adult volunteer each Sunday. If you can help, please contact the church office at 606.528.4738.

Family Fun Day at Dollywood

Saturday, May 22 to register, visit corbinfbc.org/Dollywood-signups

Vacation Bible School

6 pm – 8 pm the five Wednesdays in June **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Contact Nick Hibbard at nhibbard@corbinfbc.org or 606.620.2095.