

# First Baptist Church at Worship

July 22, 2018

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

## Gathering

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

BEACH SPRING

*Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace;  
From our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ to find release.  
Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace;  
Come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's face.  
In the pastures of God's goodness we lie down to rest our soul.  
From the waters of God's mercy we drink deeply, are made whole.  
At the table of God's presence all the saints are richly fed.  
With the oil of God's anointing into service we are led.  
Come, then, children, with your burdens – life's confusions, fears, and pain.  
Leave them at the cross of Jesus; take instead his kingdom's reign.  
Bring your thirsts, for he will quench them – he alone will satisfy.  
All our longings find attainment when to self we gladly die.*

- Marva Dawn

Call to Worship

Paul Sims

*God embraces us with mercy and love, calling us to life and light.  
We are people of God's peace. In Christ, we are made one!  
God welcomes our trust and blesses us with grace.  
We are people of God's peace. In Christ, we are made one!  
God tears down the old divisions between us and joins us together in faith.  
We are people of God's peace. In Christ, we are made one!  
Christ is our peace – we have nothing to fear.  
We are people of God's peace. In Christ, we are made one!*

+Hymn 357

*O Praise the Gracious Power*

MARION

stanzas 1 through 5

+Invocation

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... through Jesus Christ our peace. *Amen.*

+Act of Praise

MARION

*O praise the power, the truth, the love, the word, the tide.  
Yet more than these, O praise their source, praise Christ the crucified:  
We praise You Christ! Your cross has made us one!*

- Thomas Troeger

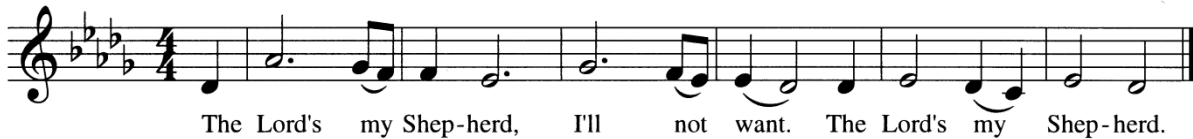
## The Word

Children's Sermon

Alice Tremaine

Psalm 23

setting by Hal Hopson



*The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me down to lie  
In pastures green, he leadeth me the quiet waters by. **REFRAIN**  
My soul he doth restore again; and me to walk doth make  
Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake. **REFRAIN**  
Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;  
For Thou art with me; Thine own rod and staff me comfort still. **REFRAIN**  
My table Thou hast furnished well in presence of my foes;  
My head Thou dost with oil anoint, my cup overflows. **REFRAIN**  
Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me;  
And in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be. **REFRAIN***

- Scottish Psalter, 1650

A Reading from the Epistles: Ephesians 2:11-22

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*The word of the Lord*

***Thanks be to God***

A Reading from the Gospels: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Paul Sims

*The Gospel of our Lord*

***Thanks be to God***

+Hymn 540

*We Cannot Measure How You Heal*

YE BANKS AND BRAES

Sermon

"For He Is Our Peace"

Austin Carty

# Responding

+Hymn 354

*Praise Him! Praise Him!*

JOYFUL SONG

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

Lynn Tipton

Loose change received in July will benefit The Mustard Seed Garden

Offertory Anthem

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

setting by John Ferguson

*The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;*

*I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.*

*Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth,*

*And where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.*

*Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me,*

*And on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.*

*In death's dark vale I fear no ill with Thee, dear Lord, beside me;*

*Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.*

*Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thy saving grace bestoweth;*

*And, oh, what transport of delight from Thy pure chalice floweth!*

*And so, through all the length of days, Thy goodness faileth never.*

*Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever.*

- Henry Baker

Prayers of the People

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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 256

*We Are People of God's Peace* TEMPUS ADEST FLORIDUM

+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

*We Are God's People*

setting by Raymond Herbek

*We are a Temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,*

*Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace;*

*He wills us be a family diverse yet truly one:*

*O let us give our gifts to God, and so shall his work on earth be done.*

- Bryan Jeffrey Leech

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist

Ann Hacker, Pianist

*The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given*

*in memory of*

Michelle Litteral Brock

*in commemoration of her birthday*

*by*

*Anna Litteral and family*

*and*

*in honor of*

Betty Wells

*in celebration of her 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday*