

First Baptist Church at Worship

July 29, 2018

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

CHINA

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long ago.

Taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me."

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

- Anna Warner & David McGuire

Call to Worship

Paul Sims

Come, let us worship!

We come from our ordinary lives into this community of faith to worship God.

Come, let us give thanks!

We come with our abundance, giving thanks to God, ready to share what we have.

Come, let us praise God!

We come with open hearts and open minds, prepared to meet God as we worship.

+Hymn 310

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

stanzas 1 and 2

+Prayer of Confession

Austin Carty

God of mercy and grace, we confess that we have not followed Your way.

You are always faithful to us,

yet we pursue our own desires.

You are generous beyond measure,

yet we jealously hoard Your gifts.

Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to comprehend the height and depth

and breadth of Your great love for all people;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+Act of Praise

HYMN TO JOY

*Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ, our Brother – all who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.*

- Henry van Dyke

The Word

Children's Sermon

Jefferson Calico

+Psalm 145

HOLY MANNA

*I will ever sing Thy praises, for all time, Thy name I'll bless;
Without peer is Thy great glory, limitless Thy righteousness.
Each new generation numbers all Thy blessings as their own;
To the earth's most far-flung regions is Thy majesty made known.
Thou art gracious, full of mercy, slow to anger, quick to love;
Saints below may glimpse Thy kingdom in the lofty skies above.
In this life, the best we savor is but common fare to Thee;
All the riches earth can harvest cannot match Thy majesty.
For the Lord is ever faithful to supply our deepest need;
Justice grows from every judgment, wholesome bread from every seed.
God is ne'er too far to hear us, never deaf to our demands;
Those who love and trust the promise rest secure within God's hand.*

- Michael Morgan

A Reading from the Epistles: Ephesians 3:14-21

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The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

A Reading from the Gospels: John 6:1-15

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The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Hymn 35

Break Thou the Bread of Life

BREAD OF LIFE

stanzas 1 and 3

Sermon

“The Love that Surpasses Knowledge”

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Responding

+Hymn 366

O God Beyond All Praising

THAXTED

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

Paul Sims

Loose change received in July will benefit The Mustard Seed Garden

Offertory Anthem

Assurance

setting by John Ness Beck

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!

Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long;

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest,

Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long;

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long.

- Fanny Crosby

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 272

They'll Know We Are Christians

ST. BRENDAN'S

+Commission and Blessing

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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

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine

setting by Dan Miller

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist

Ann Hacker, Pianist

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