

First Baptist Church at Worship

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 31, 2016

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

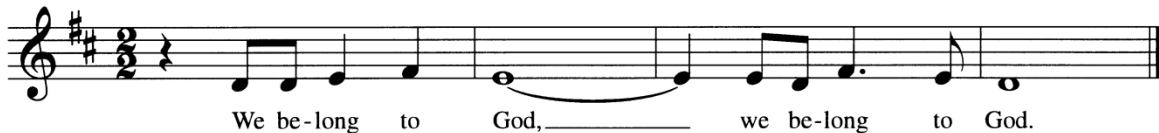
Gathering

Greeting

Alex Lockridge

Gathering Song

SOMOS DEL SEÑOR



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***

Call to Worship

Alice Tremaine

The world calls: eat, drink, and be merry;

take your ease; enjoy what you have accumulated.

But God calls: seek the things that are above;

know the glory of Christ, who is our Life.

Anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk are of the earth.

Covetousness, fornication, evil desires, and lies mark idolatry.

But God offers a new nature in Christ,

being renewed after the image of our Creator.

The world makes distinctions between Jew and Greek,

slave and free, those under the law and those who are not.

But in Christ all are one and all are welcome;

there are no distinctions; we come to worship.

+Hymn 312

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

MARION

stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 4

+Prayer of the Day

Paul Sims

... through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+Act of Praise

MARION

*Praise God, who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore,
The Father, Son, and Spirit blest, one God forevermore.
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.*

The Word

Children's Sermon

Alice Tremaine

A Reading from Ecclesiastes 1 and 2

Alex Lockridge

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 49

AURELIA

*Hear this, all folk together, of low and high degree;
Both rich and poor, speak wisdom, and ponder faithfully
How God alone the ransom for mortal life can pay,
How mortal wealth, like shadows, fades with the dying day.
All life in time must perish, the grave becomes its bed;
False pride and vain ambition decay among the dead.
How foolish they whose fortunes in earthly molds are cast;
While human love dies with them, the love of God will last.
The glimmer of our treasure will not salvation win,
For God shall judge our glory by light that shines within.
The joy we hold sufficient is slight before God's eyes,
For naught on earth can capture the taste of paradise.*

- Michael Morgan

A Reading from the Epistles: Colossians 3:1-11

Paul Sims

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 71

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

stanzas 1, 2, and 3

A Reading from the Gospels: Luke 12:13-21

Alice Tremaine

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

“Chasing after Wind”

Alex Lockridge

Responding

Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

Let us confess our sins to one another and to God.

Lord, we say we belong to Jesus, but we do not live as if we do.

*We become so wrapped up in getting what we want that we will bend,
or even break rules to get our way.*

Lord, we say we belong to Jesus, but we do not live as if we do.

*And we want so much! We see clothes, houses, cars, and all kinds of toys
that we feel we must have in order to be happy.*

Lord, we say we belong to Jesus, but we do not live as if we do.

Our feelings often rule us. When we are angry, we hurt others.

We give in to hating people who are different from us.

Lord, we say we belong to Jesus, but we do not live as if we do.

*Our mouths show us at our worst. We stoop to name calling, foul language,
and hurtful speech. Even we cannot believe what sometimes comes out of our mouths.*

Lord, we say we belong to Jesus, but we do not live as if we do.

But God has not left us to live with our own failures and sin. God loves us.

Jesus died for us. In Jesus, we are forgiven and become a new people.

God is constantly at work, remaking us.

So, let us overcome our greed.

Let us set our hearts on living like Christ.

Let us learn to control our anger and set aside personal and community hatreds.

Let us set our hearts on living like Christ.

Let us speak kind words, offer encouragement to others, and tell the truth.

Let us set our hearts on living like Christ.

Amen.

Amen.

+Hymn 671

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

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

Elizabeth Reese

Loose change received in July will benefit Extreme Build, a ministry of CBF Kentucky.

Offertory Anthem

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

by Theron Kirk

The Summer Choir

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness. And all these things shall be added unto you.

Take no thought of what to eat, take no thought of what to drink, take no thought for the morrow.

He knows all your needs.

Prayers of the People

Alex Lockridge

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

+Hymn 640

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

SHOWALTER

+Commission and Blessing

Alex Lockridge

Organ Postlude

Be Thou My Vision

setting by Matt Limbaugh

Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

+all who are able may stand

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