

First Baptist Church at Worship

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 18, 2019

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Gathering Song

I Will Trust in the Lord

setting by Marie Gray



- African American spiritual

Greeting and Call to Worship

Paul Sims

*The Israelites crossed the Red Sea –
by faith.*

*The walls of Jericho fell –
by faith.*

*Knowing that we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses –
we walk by faith.*

In faith, let us praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised!

- from Hebrews 11 & 12

+Hymn 563

In Unity We Lift Our Song

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+Prayer of Confession

Phil Majors

... that in all things we might live to Your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

+Act of Praise

Jamaican folk song



*All your works of God, bless the Lord! All you angels, now bless the Lord;
Come, you heavens and powers that be, praise the Lord and his majesty: **REFRAIN**
Hills and mountains, now sing God's worth, all you green things that grow on earth,
Seas and rivers, you springs and wells, beasts and cattle, you birds and whales: **REFRAIN**
Come, humanity, sing along, sing, you people of God, a song,
All God's servants, your Lord now bless, join your spirits and souls at rest: **REFRAIN***
- Stephen Starke

The Word

Children's Sermon

Jefferson Calico

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:1-9, 20-24a

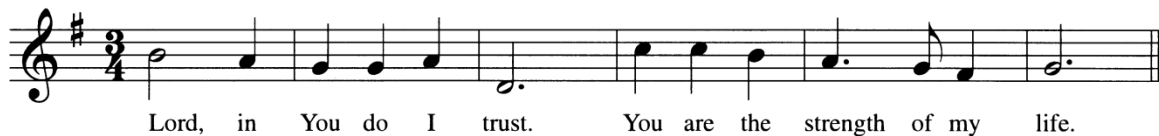
Phil Majors

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalms 90

setting by Hal Hopson



*Lord, You have been our dwelling place from past to coming age the same;
The mountains rise to greet Your face, the earth proclaims the Maker's name. **REFRAIN**
Each generation fades as grass, and flesh as dust returns to sod;
A thousand years spent here below are but as yesterday to You. **REFRAIN**
Teach us to measure all our days, that wisdom may our purpose be;
Each moment guide with righteousness, and fill with fervent praise to You. **REFRAIN***
- Michael Morgan

A Reading from the Epistles: Hebrews 11:1-2, 29 – 12:2

Bob Fox

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 619

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine

ASSURANCE

Sermon

“Is It a Little Misty in Here?”

Bob Fox

Responding

+Hymn

God, We Thank You for Our People

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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.

*God, we thank You for our people, roots dug deep within the soil,
Hardy spirits, rich in loving, strong for struggle, bold for toil.
Faithful Rock of generations, You whom parents' parents praised:
Here in hope as we remember may our song to You be raised.
Thank You, God, for gentle pleasure: lessons learned and secrets told,
Hopes and mem'ries saved as treasure, passed to young ones by the old,
Pranks and glories, songs and stories, food by loving hands prepared.
God, we bless You for Your presence in our tears and laughter shared.
By Your Spirit of creation keep us bold for risking still,
Eager in anticipation, ever strong to do Your will.
Bind us close to one another, sharing life and death and birth,
Welcoming as sister, brother, all Your children on the earth.*

- Ruth Duck

+Offertory Prayer

Phil Majors

Loose change received in August will benefit First Baptist Church's Shoebox Ministry to children in Southeastern and Southern Kentucky, distributed through Olive Branch Ministries.

Offertory Anthem

Clouds of Witnesses Surround Us

by Robert Hobby

The Summer Choir

*Clouds of witnesses surround us, saints whose heritage we claim.
Christ's own love has bought and bound us one with all who bear his name.
Here, within this congregation, trusting Your strong Word alone,
Help us build on this foundation: Christ, the living cornerstone.
Holy Spirit's fire falling where Your faithful people pray:
Fall on us, expectant, calling, gathered in Your name today.
Come, through word of mystic power; come, through water, bread and wine.
Gifts of grace upon us shower; Christ's pure light among us shine.
Send us where Your people languish, lost in depths of sin, despair.
Send us where they lie in anguish, wounded, wasted, bowed with care.
Lord, Your Gospel's word of freedom let our lives, our lips reveal
Till the long awaited kingdom comes this broken world to heal.*

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*Help us, as the saints before us, bear with faithfulness Your name,
Till we join the mighty chorus singing hymns of glad acclaim:
Praise the Lamb, once slain, victorious over death forevermore.
Father, Spirit, ever glorious, Triune God whom we adore.*

- Herman Stuempfle, Jr.

Prayers of the People

Paul Sims

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

Phil Majors

*The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.*

+Hymn 637

Guide My Feet

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+Commission and Blessing

Paul Sims

Organ Postlude

We Are God's People

setting by Raymond H. Herbek

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist
Elizabeth Reese, cantor

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Mel Chandler, Sr.
in commemoration of his birthday on August 24
by
Mel, Jane, Garner, and Patton Chandler*