First Baptist Church at Worship

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2019
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Gathering Song

Kenyan gathering song



Greeting and Call to Worship

Paul Sims

Let us delight in God's gift of Sabbath;

let us honor the day of the Lord.

We delight in the God who sets us free;

we honor the Lord by doing justice.

+Hymn 319

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

+Prayer of Confession

Alice Tremaine

You call us, O God, but we seldom hear. Or, if we do hear, we are reluctant to respond. Or, if we do respond, we are afraid to follow Your ways. Our sin pulls us away from You, but You do not give up on us. Remove the obstacles that keep us from the life You intend for us.

Help us to receive Your call with our whole hearts, so that we may do Your work and give You glory. Amen.

+Act of Praise

Kenyan gathering song

please see Gathering Song

The Word

Children's Sermon Lindsay Lowe

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: Isaiah 58:9b-14

Paul Sims

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 103 HOLY MANNA

Bless the Lord with all my being, all within me bless God's name.

Bless the Lord and so remember all God's mercy to proclaim:

Who forgives all my transgressions and with mercy gently heals;

Who redeems me from destruction and with goodness kindly deals.

Working for those in oppression, God's own love and justice prove.

Slow to anger, full of mercy, steadfast love our sins remove.

As the heav'ns are high above us, vaster still God's love has been.

As the east from west is distant, so God puts away our sin.

As a father loves his children, God's compassion follows us,

Though we flourish and then wither, God remembers we are dust.

Though the wind blows o'er our living, sweeping all our works away,

God's own covenant is stronger, loving us beyond that day.

- Fred Anderson

A Reading from the Gospels: Luke 13:10-17

Bob Fox

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 614 Since Jesus Came into My Heart

McDANIEL

stanzas 1, 2, and 3

Sermon "Not on Sunday!"

Bob Fox

Responding

+Hymn

The Love of Jesus Calls Us

AURELIA

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.

The love of Jesus calls us our joyous praise to sing;
Our deeply felt thanksgivings we now together bring,
For all God's many blessings, unasked yet still received,
And for the generations who faithfully believed.

The love of Jesus calls us to go where he would go, To challenge all that limits, to change, to learn, to grow, To know that Christ has freed us, that prisons are no more; For those who seek his kingdom, Christ opens every door.

The love of Jesus calls us in swiftly changing days,

To be God's co-creators in new and wondrous ways;

That God with men and women may so transform the earth,

That love and peace and justice may give God's kingdom birth.

- Herbert O'Driscoll

+Offertory Prayer

Ed Garr

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

Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me
The Summer Choir
text is that of hymn 236

setting by K. Lee Scott

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.

+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 Alice Tremaine

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

And also with you.

+Sending Song I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me I'M GONNA LIVE

- 1. I'm gonna live so God can use me, anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 2. I'm gonna work so God can use me, anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 3. I'm gonna pray so God can use me, anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 4. I'm gonna sing so God can use me, anywhere, Lord, anytime!

- African-American spiritual

+Commission and Blessing

Paul Sims

Organ Postlude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

setting by Robert Hobby

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist

Sanctuary flowers are given in honor of
Glennis Hensley
for her August 30 birthday
by
Nancy, Courtney, and Patrick Haggerty
Bill, Tricia, Grace, and Kate Hensley
Cindy, Lars, and Clara Finneseth