First Baptist Church at Worship

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 15, 2019 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Gathering Song

You Are Mine

by David Haas





I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear.

You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice, be still and know I am here. REFRAIN
I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light, come and rest in me. REFRAIN

Greeting and Call to Worship

Paul Sims

Sisters and brothers, do not be afraid: God is with us.

In You, O God, we seek refuge.

So, do not let your hearts be troubled. You are precious in God's sight.

God is faithful; we will trust in God's steadfast love.

+Hymn 315 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

stanzas one through four

Prayer of Confession

Alice Tremaine

... our times are in Your hand. Help us to live for Your glory. Amen.

+Act of Praise MIT FREUDEN ZART



The Word

Children's Sermon **Sherry Pace**

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: II Kings 20:1-6

Ron Higdon

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 31 O WALY, WALY





In You, O LORD, I seek refuge; in Your righteousness deliver me.

Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.

You are indeed my rock and my fortress.

For Your name's sake lead me and guide me, for You are my refuge.

Into Your hand I commit my spirit;

You have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

My times are in Your hand;

Save me in Your steadfast love. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Gospels: John 14:1-18

Alice Tremaine

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 613 I Love the Lord

I LOVE THE LORD

stanza one - all; stanza two - all; stanza one - all

Sermon "The Future: Fixed or Flexible?" Ron Higdon

Responding

+Hymn 48

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

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

Alice Tremaine

Loose change received in September will benefit the Corbin Community Backpack Program.

To learn more about their work, visit www.corbinbackpack.com.

Offertory Anthem

Sing Praise to the Lord

by Robert Hobby

The Sanctuary Choir

Sing praise to the Lord! Sing praise in the height; rejoice in God's word, you angels of light;

O heavens, adore him by whom you were made, and worship before him, in brightness arrayed.

Sing praise to the Lord! Sing praise upon earth, in tuneful accord, all you of new birth;

O praise him who brought you his grace from above; O praise him who taught you to sing of his love.

Sing praise to the Lord! Thanksgiving and song to God be outpoured all ages along:

For love in creation, for heaven restored, for grace and salvation, sing praise to the Lord!

Prayers of the People

Phil Majors

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 Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

+Hymn 587 Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound NEW BRITAIN

stanza one – all in unison stanza two – women in unison stanza three – men in unison stanza four – all in parts stanza five – all in unison

+Commission and Blessing

Ron Higdon

Organ Postlude

God Is My Strong Salvation

setting by Gordon Young

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist

Sanctuary flowers are given in memory of my parents

Harold and Mildred Adkins

by

Kim Bolton