First Baptist Church at Worship

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2019 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Gathering Song

How Great Thou Art

O STORE GUD

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed. Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art!.... When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze: Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art!....

- Stuart Hine

Greeting and Call to Worship

Phil Majors

We lift our eyes to the hills – from where does our help come?

Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

The Lord is our keeper; God protects us, heart and soul.

Whether coming or going, we are safe in God's keeping.

Our journeys have brought us here to lift our voices in praise.

We will worship our Creator all the days of our lives.

+Hymn 566

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 6

+Prayer of Confession

Carolyn Garr

... that we may know that You are faithful. Amen.

+Response

LYONS

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail: Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend. Amen.

- Robert Grant

The Word

Children's Sermon Jefferson Calico

A Reading from the Hebrew Scripture: Isaiah 26:3-4

Phil Majors

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 121 setting by Hal Hopson



I look high to the hills. From where shall come my help?

My help comes only from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. REFRAIN

God will not let you fall; the guardian of your life never sleeps.

No, never sleeps, nor slumbers, the guardian of Israel true. REFRAIN

God is your help and shade, ever near to protect and guide you

The sun shall not strike you by day; the moon shall not harm you by night. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Epistles: II Thessalonians 3:1-5

Carolyn Garr

Brothers and sisters, pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified everywhere, just as it is among you, and that we may be rescued from wicked and evil people; for not all have faith.

But the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one.

And we have confidence in the Lord concerning you, that you are doing and will go on doing the things that we command.

May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 425

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 5

Sermon

"You Gotta Know Where to Look"

Phil Majors

Responding

+Hymn 295 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

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

Phil Majors

Loose change received in September will benefit the Corbin Community Backpack Program. To learn more about their work, visit www.corbinbackpack.com.

Offertory Anthem

I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes

by Gordon Young

The Sanctuary Choir

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord, thy keeper is: the Lord, thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil; he shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, And even forevermore.

- from Psalm 121

Prayers of the People

Jefferson Calico

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 57 Be Still, My Soul FINLANDIA

+Commission and Blessing Phil Majors

Organ Postlude Trumpet Tune and Toccata on ST. ANNE by David Lasky

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist Donna Davis, Pianist

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