

First Baptist Church at Worship

September 9, 2018
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Community Gathers before God

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

WELCOME TABLE



2. *I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus;*
3. *I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers;*
4. *Here all the world will find a welcome;*

- African American spiritual

Call to Worship

Austin Carty

*For the stranger and the guest
the Lord prepares a table.
Every child of God is welcome
to share this feast of grace.
Let us worship God.*

+Hymn 457

Come and Feast, for All Are Welcomed

REGENT SQUARE

+Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

+Response

Jamaican folk song



Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy;

Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard. REFRAIN

Christ is able to make us one, at the table he sets the tone,

Teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express. REFRAIN

Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt,

Gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) everywhere. REFRAIN

- Fred Kaan

The Community Hears and Proclaims God's Word

Children's Sermon

Alice Tremaine

+Psalm 146

HOLY MANNA

Bless the Lord, give praise and honor unto God who lends me breath;

May my tongue God's greatness never cease to tell before my death.

And in songs of sovereign goodness, let me sing beyond the grave;

God, whose grace my life to ransom, God, whose will my soul to save.

Blest are they whose hope is vested in the God of Israel;

In the hour of deepest anguish God's provisions will not fail;

Freedom for the shackled spirit, strength and stay to those who fall;

Blessings offered without measure, righteousness enough for all.

- Michael Morgan

A Reading from the Epistles: James 2:1-10, 14-17

Austin Carty

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

A Reading from the Gospels: Mark 7:24-37

Paul Sims

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

"Faith by Itself"

Austin Carty

The Community Shares in Christ's Life

Hymn 671

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Austin Carty and Paul Sims

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(the Great Prayer of Thanksgiving continues)

*...Teach us to truly love our neighbors, honoring the equality of each person
and tending to the basic human needs of all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Breaking the Bread; Sharing the Cup

You may remain seated until time for your row to come to the table. Come forward by way of a center aisle, receive a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and partake of the bread and wine. Please return to your pew by way of a window aisle and be seated.

music during communion:

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

setting by Cindy Johnston

The Sanctuary Choir and the congregation; Carolyn Garr, director

Je - su, _____ Je - su, _____ fill us with Your love, show

us how to serve the neigh - bors we have from You. _____

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 8/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes, with blank lines for the first two phrases to indicate a long note or a pause.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who pours out himself for them.

Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white, neighbors are near and far away. REFRAIN

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love. All are neighbors to us and You.

Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet, this is the way we should live with You. REFRAIN

- Ghanaan folk song

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

ST. BRENDAN'S

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord....

And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand....

And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other; we will work side by side....

And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride.

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

- Peter Scholtes

+The Peace

Paul Sims

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

+Hymn 332

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

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 First Baptist Church's Shoebox Ministry.

Organ Offertory

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

setting by Dudley Buck

+Doxology

ST. BRENDAN'S

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come.

And all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son.

And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one.

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

The Community Departs for Ministry

+Commission and Blessing

Austin Carty

Paul says the fruit of the Spirit is

Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Generosity, Goodness,

Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control. May we live by the Spirit.

Organ Postlude

To Worship, Work, and Witness

setting by Dennis Johnson

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist

Ann Hacker, Pianist

Samuel Garr, clarinet

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