First Baptist Church at Worship

November 4, 2018 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

ALL SAINTS

Assemble in God's Name

Greeting Austin Carty

Gathering Song LINSTEAD



All you 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 you spirits and souls at rest: **REFRAIN**

- Stephen Starke

Call to Worship

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The Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, of well-aged wines.

And God will destroy the shroud that is cast over all peoples.

God will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces;

And the disgrace of the people will be taken away from all the earth.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;

Let us be glad and rejoice in God's salvation.

- from Isaiah 25

+Hymn 567

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

+Prayer of the Day

Paul Sims

... through Christ, the resurrection and the life. Amen.

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.

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.

Proclaim God's Word

Children's Sermon Alice Tremaine

A Reading from the Revelation to John, Chapter 21

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The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 24 setting by Hal Hopson



The earth belongs to the Lord, and all that we enjoy.

A strong foundation was laid, was laid within the seas. **REFRAIN**

O tell us, who shall ascend? Who shall go up to God's house?

It is those who love the Lord, who make God's will their own. REFRAIN

O tell us, who are these saints, these saints who praise Your name?

It is those whose hearts are clean, whose joy is in the Lord. **REFRAIN**

O come, and praise the Lord, and serve the world God made.

Whose love is ever sure, O praise God's Holy Name. REFRAIN

- 20th century

A Reading from the Gospels: John 11:32-44

Paul Sims

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon "Death Will Be No More"

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Give Thanks to God

Litany of Thanksgiving

Paul Sims

Death is swallowed up forever – let us wipe away our tears.

We give thanks for all those who are dear to us.

Our ancestors in faith have laid the foundation for this day.

We remember with appreciation those who paved the way with their faith:

Teachers, leaders, grandmothers, grandfathers, parents, children, and friends.

We remember with gratitude the gifts of God's people.

The gifts of many people make us who we are.

We remember with love the people who have blessed us with their lives.

God brings a new heaven and a new earth – let us live in that hope.

We give thanks for this church, where tradition and tomorrow touch hands.

The Remembrance of the Saints

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Betty Black John Fletcher Paul Jones Robert Lockhart Jerry Winchester

Joyce Dizney Dave Huff Mildred Lockhart Kellee Edwards Whitlock Ada Witt

Hymn

Remembering with Love and Hope

LAND OF REST

Remembering with love and hope, we celebrate the feast.

Christ bids us come and dine with him, our Host and great High Priest.

God's Word made known in flesh and blood, a covenant of grace;

In manger, cross, and empty tomb, we see God's loving face.

Through all our lives, Lord, You are near, and to the end of time.

In bread and cup Yourself You give; our life in Yours we find.

We break the bread and bless the cup; Your Spirit is outpoured.

Made one in You, we feast in love until You come, O Lord.

We trust this pledge of Your strong love and pray, Your kingdom come,

When face to face we'll feast with You in our eternal home.

- John Paarlberg

The Celebration of Communion

Breaking the Bread; Blessing the Cup

+The Peace Paul Sims

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

+Hymn 562

Soon and Very Soon

SOON AND VERY SOON

+Offertory Prayer

Nancy Rich

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

Organ Offertory

We're Marching to Zion

setting by Jon Spong

... then let our songs abound, and every tear be dry....

- Isaac Watts

+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.

Go in God's Name

+Commission and Blessing

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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

For All the Saints

setting by Wilbur Held

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Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist

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WORSHIP NOTES

The Remembrance of the Saints and the Celebration of Communion

Today, we join Christians around the world in celebrating All Saints' Day, a time when we remember, with thanksgiving, those who have preceded us in death. We particularly honor ten of our own who have joined that "great cloud of witnesses." The hymn, "Remembering with Love and Hope," serves as a Prayer of Thanksgiving that recalls for us the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ and prepares us to "remember" the day when we will join with the saints of all the ages at the heavenly banquet, with Christ as host.