

# First Baptist Church at Worship

April 1, 2018  
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

## EASTER SUNDAY The Celebration of Resurrection

### *Gathering*

Organ Voluntary

*Chorale*

by Joseph Jongen

*the Christ Candle is returned to the chancel as a symbol of the dawning of resurrection*

Acclamation

Paul Sims

*Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

***Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!***

*This is the day the Lord has made;*

***Let us rejoice and be glad in it.***

+Hymn 194

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

EASTER HYMN

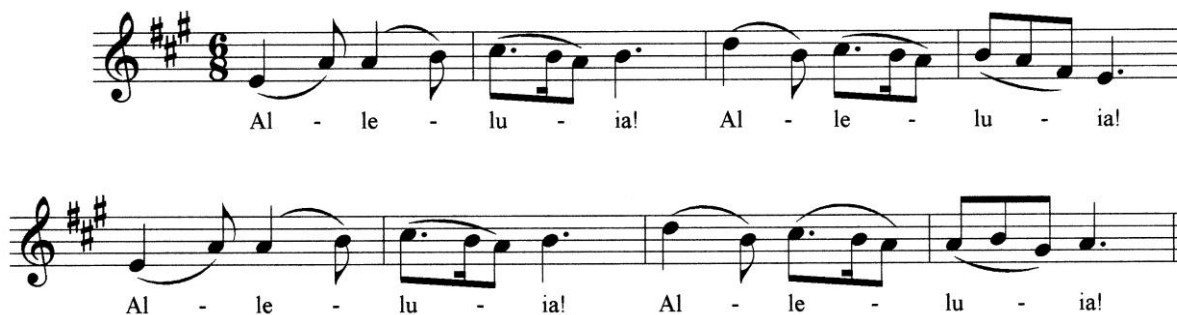
+Prayer of the Day

Austin Carty

*... we lift our hearts to You, our Lord and our Redeemer. **Amen.***

+Easter Alleluia

by Finton O'Carroll



- 20<sup>th</sup> century

# The Word

Children's Sermon

Lindsay Lowe

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: Genesis 1:1-5

Paul Sims

*The word of the Lord*

***Thanks be to God***

Psalm 118

setting by Marty Haugen



*Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; God's mercy endures forever;*

*Let the house of Israel say: "God's mercy endures forever." **REFRAIN***

*The hand of the Lord has struck with power, God's right hand is exalted,*

*I shall not die, but live anew, declaring the works of the Lord. **REFRAIN***

*The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,*

*The Lord of love and mercy has brought wonder to our eyes! **REFRAIN***

A Reading from the Epistles: II Corinthians 5:14-17

Austin Carty

*The word of the Lord*

***Thanks be to God***

+Hymn

*There Is Now a New Creation*

NETTLETON

***There is now a new creation through the grace of Jesus Christ,***

***Peace and reconciliation with the God of endless life.***

***Call the lost and found together; tell the news to everyone.***

***Now the past is gone forever and a new life has begun.***

***Come and join the celebration; come and join the happy feast;***

***Jesus makes an invitation to the greatest and the least.***

***There is now a new creation through the grace of Jesus Christ.***

***Sing, with thanks and adoration, to the God of endless life!***

- David Gambrell, 21<sup>st</sup> century

+The Easter Gospel: John 20:1-18

Sabrina Smith

*The Gospel of our Lord*

***Thanks be to God***

Sermon

"Early on the First Day"

Austin Carty

# *Responding*

## Anthem

### *Alleluia! Sing Praise*

by J. S. Bach

*Alleluia, alleluia! Sing praise unto God. Sing praise to him, the Lord of all creation.*

*To us he came; a man by name, to bring to us the wonder of salvation.*

*Alleluia, alleluia! Sing praise unto God. Sing praise to him with heart and voice exultant!*

*For us he died; by men denied, to rise again in glory now triumphant!*

- 16<sup>th</sup> century German chorale

## +Affirmation of Faith

Paul Sims

*This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand,  
and by which we are saved: Christ died for our sins, was buried,  
was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women,  
then to Peter and the Twelve, then to many faithful witnesses.  
We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God,  
the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead,  
in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.  
Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross  
reconciles all things to God.*

- from I Corinthians 15 & Colossians 1

## +Hymn 622

### *He Lives*

ACKLEY

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

Ann Hacker

Loose change received in April will support the work of CBF Field Personnel Scarlette Jasper, who works in Southeastern and Southern Kentucky through Olive Branch Ministries and Together for Hope.

## Organ Offertory

### *I Know that My Redeemer Lives*

setting by Lani Smith

## Prayers of the People

Austin Carty

## 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 for Easter

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Praise God from whom all grace flows forth!*

*Praise Life, all creatures here on earth! Alleluia, alleluia.*

*Praise Light who guides us on our way!*

*Praise Love who forms us day by day! Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

# *Sending*

+The Peace

Paul Sims

*The peace of the risen Christ be with you.*

*And also with you.*

+Hymn

*Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven*

HYMN TO JOY

*Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise:*

*Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise;*

*He who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled –*

*Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.*

*Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat:*

*See the ancient powers of evil in confusion and retreat;*

*Once he died, and once was buried: now he lives forevermore,*

*Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, whom we worship and adore.*

- Christopher Wordsworth, 19<sup>th</sup> century

+Commission and Blessing

Austin Carty & Paul Sims

*Go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the power of his resurrection.*

*Alleluia!*

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,*

*and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

*Amen.*

*Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

*Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Organ Postlude

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

setting by David Lowe

+all who are able may stand

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