First Baptist Church at Worship

January 22, 2017 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering

Greeting Austin Carty

Organ Voluntary Prelude on AUSTRIAN HYMN by Charles Callahan

Call to Worship Katie House

You call us, O God, to have the same mind

so we can know each other's joys and sorrows.

You call us, O God, to have the same purpose

so we can be one people who are not afraid to follow Jesus.

You call us, O God, to have the same mission

so we can serve together in Your kingdom.

+Hymn 477 We Are Called to Be God's People AUSTRIAN HYMN

+Invocation Todd Tremaine

+Act of Praise HYFRYDOL

Worship, honor, glory, blessing, Lord, we offer unto Thee; Young and old, Thy praise expressing, in glad homage bend the knee. All the saints in heaven adore Thee. We would bow before Thy throne; As thine angels serve before Thee, so on earth Thy will be done. Amen.

- Edward Osler

The Service of the Word

Children's Sermon Austin Carty

First Lesson I Corinthians 1:10-18 Myrisa Christy

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 357

O Praise the Gracious Power

MARION

stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 4

Second Lesson Matthew 4:12-23

Aaron House

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Anthem

by Jane Marshall

He comes to us as One unknown, without a name,

As of old, by the lakeside he came to those men who knew him not.

He Comes to Us

He speaks to us, he speaks the same word: "Follow thou me!"

And sets us to the tasks which he has to fulfill for our time.

He commands. And to those who obey him, whether they be wise or simple,

He will reveal himself in the toils, the conflicts, the sufferings

Which they shall pass through in his fellowship,

And, as an ineffable mystery, they shall learn in their own experience who he is.

- Albert Schweitzer

Sermon

"Preparing Our Nets"

Austin Carty

+Hymn 476

You Walk along Our Shoreline

AURELIA

The Act of Ordination

The Ordination of Lindsay Lowe and Alice Tremaine

Ordination Vows Tom Faulkner

Alice, Lindsay – are you willing to be ordained as deacons? We are.

Do you welcome this responsibility because you are determined to follow the Lord Jesus, to love neighbors, and to work for the reconciling of the world? We do.

Will you serve God's people with energy, intelligence, imagination and love, relying on God's mercy and rejoicing in God's promises through Christ our Lord? We will.

And will you, the family of First Baptist Church, accept Alice Tremaine and Lindsay Lowe as deacons, chosen of God and appointed by the church to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We will.

Laying on of Hands

The Congregation

Covenant Paul Sims

Reaffirming our faith that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, we gladly receive these deacons as servant leaders in our life together. We covenant to support them with our prayers, encouragement and respect. We celebrate with thanksgiving the shared responsibility for Christ's ministry which is ours as the church. Praise be to God.

The Service of Dedication

+Hymn 488

Come, All Christians, Be Committed

BEACH SPRING

stanzas 1, 2, and 3

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

Daniel Lowe

Loose change received in January 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.

Offertory Anthem

setting by Hal Hopson



We are sing - ing for the Lord is our light, we are singing for the Lord is our light.

The Lord is the strength of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid?

Though foes may be near to destroy, the Lord will be our light. **REFRAIN**

One thing have we asked of the Lord, yes, this is the thing we seek:

To dwell in the house of the Lord; to live with God forever. REFRAIN

When burdens are heavy to bear, our shelter is God alone.

Our feet are lifted high; yes, high upon a rock. REFRAIN

We walk in the strength of the Lord, God's love is ever sure.

We shout that the world may hear, we sing a joyful song. REFRAIN

- from Psalm 27

+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

+Sending Song

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

by Wendell Whalum







I'm gonna work I'm gonna pray I'm gonna sing

- African-American spiritual

+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

We Are Called to Be God's People

setting by Alice Jordan

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist

The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in honor of
Don and Olivia Robinson
in celebration of their 65th wedding anniversary
by
Denise Robinson Combs and Stuart Robinson

and

in honor of our great grandsons, Harrison and Jackson Lowe by Bo and Janet Pace