### First Baptist Church at Worship

January 29, 2017 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

#### The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

# Gathering

Greeting Austin Carty

**Choral Introit** 

Gloria in Excelsis Deo

by Jerry Estes

Union Harmony Virginia Gay Gandy, director; Donna Davis, accompanist

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to all people.

- from the Latin mass; Luke 2:14

Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

We are blessed when we hunger for justice and thirst for righteousness.

Our souls are filled with God's hope and grace.

We are blessed when we grieve over the brokenness of the world,

Choosing, as God does, to be with those who are weak and powerless.

We are blessed when we become God's fools,

Willing to do what is right instead of what is popular.

+Hymn 312

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

**MARION** 

stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 4

+Invocation

Alex Lockridge

+Act of Praise MARION

Praise God, who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore, The Father, Son, and Spirit blest, one God forevermore. Rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

### The Word

Children's Sermon Alex Lockridge

Psalm 15 Virginia Gay Gandy

Leader: O LORD, who may abide in your tent?

Who may dwell on your holy hill?

Female voices: Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right,

who speak the truth from their heart;

Male voices: who do not slander with their tongue,
Female voices: and do no evil to their friends,

Male voices: nor take up a reproach against their neighbors;

Female voices: in whose eyes the wicked are despised,
Male voices: but who honor those who fear the LORD;
Female voices: who stand by their oath even to their hurt;

Male voices: who do not lend money at interest,

Female voices: *and do not take a bribe against the innocent.*Leader: *Those who do these things shall never be moved.* 

First Lesson I Corinthians 1:18-31 Austin Carty

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Anthem Sing to the Lord a New Song by Kenneth Kosche

Union Harmony

Sing to the Lord a new song; oh, sing to the Lord, all the earth! Sing to the Lord, bless God's name; tell of God's salvation from day to day.

- from Psalm 96

Second Lesson Matthew 5:1-12 Alex Lockridge

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 507 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Sermon "The Upside Down Kingdom" Austin Carty

# Responding

+Hymn O for a World 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.

O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways,

Where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved,

Where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice

That opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.

The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the foolish ones are wise.

Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong, who perishes will rise.

O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace,

Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

- Miriam Therese Winter

#### +Offertory Prayer

Alice Tremaine

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.

The Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Prayers of the People

Alex Lockridge

#### 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

+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

Turning Tune

by Gayle Majors

+all who are able may stand

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