

First Baptist Church at Worship

The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

October 23, 2016

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

Rain Down

by Jaime Cortez



Faithful and true is the word of our God. All of God's works are so worthy of trust.

*God's mercy falls on the evil and good; full of God's love is the earth. **REFRAIN***

God of creation, we long for Your truth; You are the water of life that we thirst.

*Grant that Your love and Your peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in You. **REFRAIN***

Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

Pour out Your Spirit, O Lord;

we call upon Your name.

Rain down Your mercy, O God;

we depend upon Your grace.

+Hymn 295

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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+Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

+Response

NETTLETON

Come, great Spirit, in and with us, tune our ears to hear Your call;

Through the moving of Your presence, let redeeming love recall

Ministry in dedication, love embodied in our deeds;

Challenge us to do Your bidding, see Your purpose, fill all needs.

- Mary Jackson Cathey

The Word

Children's Sermon

Alex Lockridge

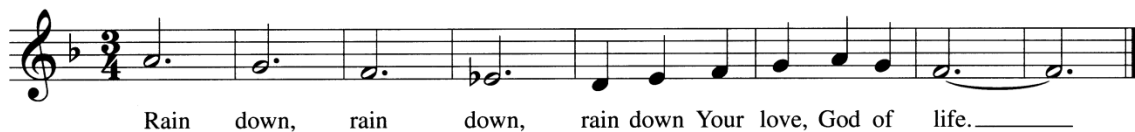
A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: Joel 2:23-32

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 65:1-2, 9-13

setting by Jaime Cortez



*Praise is due to You, O God, in Zion; and to You shall vows be performed,
O You who answer prayer!*

To You all flesh shall come.

You visit the earth and water it, You greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water;

You provide the people with grain, for so You have prepared it.

*You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges,
softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.*

You crown the year with Your bounty;

Your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

*The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,
the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain;*

they shout and sing together for joy. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Epistles: II Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

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The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 637

Guide My Feet

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Sermon

“I Will Pour Out My Spirit”

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Responding

+Hymn 692

Let Truth and Mercy Find Here

AURELIA

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

Mollie Daniel

Loose change received in October will benefit our Shoebox ministry,
which will be distributed through Operation Christmas Child and Olive Branch Ministries.

Offertory Anthem

Hear My Words

by Stephen Paulus

*Hear my words, O gracious Lord, to my thoughts attentive be;
Hear my cry, my King my God, I will make my prayer to Thee.
With the morning light, O Lord, Thou shalt hear my voice arise;
And expectant, I will bring prayer as morning sacrifice.
Thou art holy, O my God; Thou delightest not in sin;
Evil shall not dwell with Thee, nor the proud Thy favor win.
Hear my words, O gracious Lord, to my thoughts attentive be;
Hear my cry, my King my God, I will make my prayer to Thee.*

- The Psalter, 1912; from Psalm 5

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

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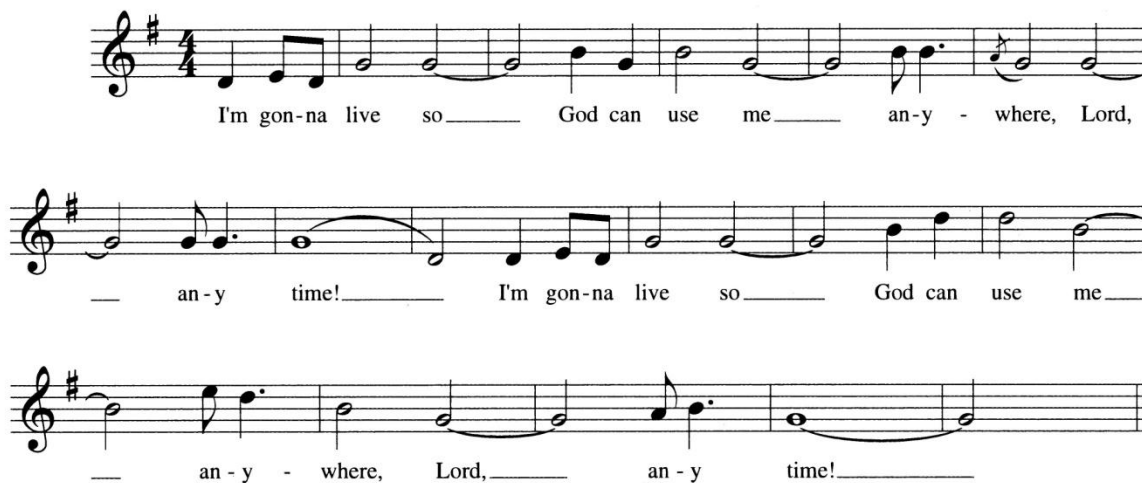
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

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

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

setting by Don Hustad

+all who are able may stand

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