

First Baptist Church at Worship

February 18, 2018
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The First Sunday in Lent

Gathering

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

by Doris Akers



I am weak and I need Thy strength and power to help me over my weakest hour.

Help me through the darkness Thy face to see. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. REFRAIN

I am lost if You take Your hand from me, I am blind without Thy light to see,

Lord, just always let me Thy servant be. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. REFRAIN

Call to Worship

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O God, we yearn to take refuge in You.

We open our minds to Your word.

O God, we long to ease the troubles of our hearts.

We lift our hearts, ready and waiting.

O God, we seek to travel Your journey of steadfast love.

We give our lives.

O God, we are eager to learn Your path of faithfulness.

We dedicate ourselves again to Your call.

+Hymn 48

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

+Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

*Most merciful God, whose son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way,
yet was without sin, we confess before You our own sinfulness.*

We have hungered after that which does not satisfy.

We have compromised with evil.

We have doubted Your power to protect us.

Forgive our lack of faith.

Have mercy on our weakness,

***and restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in Your ways
and delight in doing Your will.***

+Response

LYONS

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,

In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail:

Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,

Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend. Amen.

- Robert Grant

The Word

Children's Sermon

Alice Tremaine

Psalm 25

setting by Hal Hopson



Make me know Your ways, O Lord, teach me Your paths.

Guide me in Your truth, for You are my God and Savior.

All day long I hope in You because You are my God.

*Your mercy and love are sure, as old as time itself. **REFRAIN***

Do not remember the sins of my youth, in Your love remember me.

The Lord is upright and good; God shows the path to those who stray.

God leads the humble on the right path, teaches the oppressed the way.

*All of God's ways are love and truth, for those who keep God's word. **REFRAIN***

A Reading from the Epistles: I Peter 3:18-22

Paul Sims

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

A Reading from the Gospels: Mark 1:9-15

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The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Hymn

O Christ, You Walked the Road

TERRA PATRIS

O Christ, You walked the road our wandering feet must go.

You faced with us temptation's power and fought our ancient foe.

No bread of earth alone can fill our hungering hearts.

Lord, help us seek Your living Word, the food Your grace imparts.

O Christ, You walked the road our wandering feet must go.

Stay with us through temptation's hour to fight our ancient foe.

No blinding sign we ask, no wonder from above.

Lord, help us place our trust alone in Your unswerving love.

- Herman Stuempfle, Jr. – 20th century

Sermon

“In the Wilderness 40 Days”

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Responding

+Hymn 169

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN

+Offertory Prayer

Paul Sims

Loose change received in February will benefit our church's Cold Weather Ministries.

Offertory Anthem

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

setting by David Cherwien

I want Jesus to walk with me; all along my pilgrim journey,

Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me; when my heart is almost breaking,

Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when my head is bowed in sorrow,

Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

- African American spiritual

Prayers of the People

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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

+The Peace

Paul Sims

*The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.*

+Hymn 637

Guide My Feet

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+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. Amen.***

Organ Postlude

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

setting by Anna Laura Page

*Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; hold me with Thy powerful hand;
Strong Deliver, strong Deliverer, be Thou still my strength and shield.*

- William Williams

+all who are able may stand

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