

# First Baptist Church at Worship

February 4, 2018  
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

## The Community Gathers before God

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

YOU ARE MINE



*"I will come to you in the silence; I will lift you from all your fear.*

*You will hear my voice; I claim you as my choice. Be still and know I am here." REFRAIN*

*"I am hope for all who are hopeless; I am eyes for all who long to see.*

*In the shadows of the night, I will be your light. Come and rest in me." REFRAIN*

- David Haas

Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

*Have you heard? God heals the broken and blesses the wounded.*

***To God be the glory forever!***

*Have you heard? God forgives, and the past is over and done.*

***To God be the glory forever!***

*Have you heard? God lifts up the downcast and gives peace to the troubled.*

***To God be the glory forever!***

*Have you heard? God gives power to the weak and renews our strength.*

***To God be the glory forever!***

+Hymn 319

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

LOBE DEN HERREN

+Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

*... for in You our strength is renewed. Amen.*

+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.***

- Robert Grant

# The Community Hears and Proclaims God's Word

Children's Sermon

Alex Lockridge

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 40:21-31

setting by K. Lee Scott

sung by the Sanctuary Choir and the Congregation

*Have you not known? Have you not heard?*

*Has it not been told you that the everlasting God dwells on high in starry splendor?*

*His glory is unspeakable; his power shall never fail.*

*To whom will God, the Lord, compare? Who can stand his equal?*

*By his word he formed the heavens; by his power he e'er sustains them.*

*Vain rulers perish hopelessly; strong nations come to naught.*

*Then why complain, O Israel? Why downcast, O Jacob?*

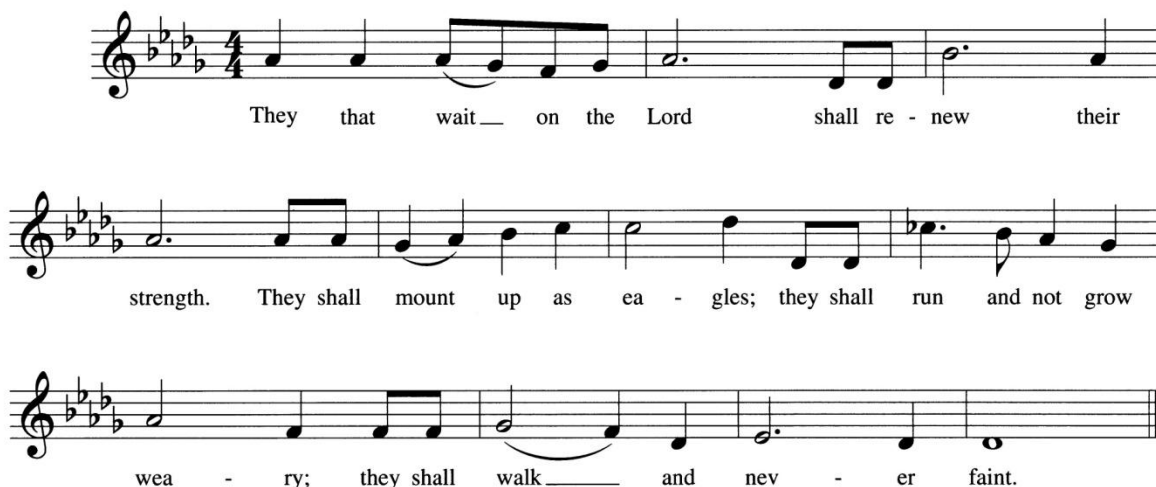
*Do you think he does not see? Is your way now disregarded?*

*His knowledge is unsearchable, his wisdom strong and sure.*

*Have you not known? Have you not heard?*

*Has it not been told you that the everlasting God neither tires nor grows weary?*

*E'en youths shall stumble helplessly, the young grow weak and faint.*



+Psalm 147

Paul Sims

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**all** *Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God;  
for God is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.*

1 *The Lord builds up Jerusalem; God gathers the outcasts of Israel.*

2 *God heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.*

3 *God determines the number of stars, giving all of them their names.*

1 *Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;*

*God's understanding is beyond measure.*

2 *The Lord lifts up the downtrodden; God casts the wicked to the ground.*

3 *Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God.*

- 1     *God covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth,  
makes grass grow on the hills.*
- 2     *God gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens  
when they cry.*
- 3     *God's delight is not in the strength of the horse,  
nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;*
- all**   ***But the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,  
those who hope in God's steadfast love.***

+Hymn 349  
stanza 1

*To God Be the Glory*

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Epistle Lesson  
*The word of the Lord*  
***Thanks be to God***

## Ephesians 3:14-21

Austin Carty

Hymn 349  
stanza 3

*To God Be the Glory*

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Gospel Lesson  
*The Gospel of our Lord*  
***Thanks be to God***

## Mark 1:29-39

Alex Lockridge

Sermon “Out to a Deserted Place”

Austin Carty

## The Community Shares in Christ's Life

+Hymn  
please see insert

## *Come Away from Rush and Hurry*

BEACH SPRING

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Austin Carty and Alex Lockridge

The Celebration of Communion  
Breaking the Bread  
*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

## PRECIOUS LORD

*Come to Me, All Who Labor*

by Robert Hobby

# Sharing the Cup

## *On Eagle's Wings*

by Michael Joncas

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

Alex Lockridge

+Hymn 637

*Guide My Feet*

GUIDE MY FEET

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

Colleen Darabant

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

Offertory

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

setting by Tom Fettke

Gayle Majors, psaltery

Carolyn Garr, piano

+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.*

## The Community Departs for Ministry

+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. Amen.*

Postlude

*If You Will Only Let God Guide You*

setting by Robert Powell

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist

Ann Hacker, Pianist

*The sanctuary flowers are placed in honor of*

Frankie Sasser – for her birthday

*by*

*Bob, Kim, Rachel, and Rob Croley*

*Janne Beam; Alexis and Cody Jacobson*

*Glenn II, Julie, Lily, and Luke Sasser*