

First Baptist Church at Worship

February 5, 2017
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Assemble in God's Name

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

by Marty Haugen



You are the salt for the earth, O people: salt for the Kingdom of God!

Share the flavor of life, O people: life in the Kingdom of God! REFRAIN

You are a light on the hill, O people: light for the City of God!

Shine so holy and bright, O people: shine for the Kingdom of God! REFRAIN

Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

God comes among us and within each one, inviting us to be salty Christians.

We are each important to the good work

God seeks to accomplish with and through us.

We are called to be lights in the world and to let our lights shine brightly.

God expects us to reflect eternal truth

and to lead others to Christ's way.

With the humility of the Apostle Paul, we offer our weakness and limited insight.

In our worship and in our service

we seek to demonstrate the mind of Christ.

+Hymn 352

All Praise to Thee

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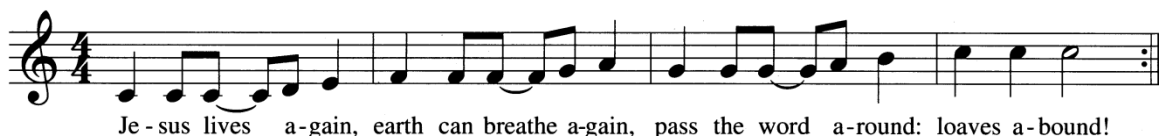
+Invocation

Paul Sims

... for we pray in the name of Jesus, our Risen Lord. Amen.

+Response

LINSTEAD



*Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy;
Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard. **REFRAIN**
Christ is able to make us one; at the table he set the tone,
Teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express. **REFRAIN**
Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
Gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) everywhere. **REFRAIN***
- Fred Kaan

Proclaim God's Word

Children's Sermon

Alex Lockridge

+Psalms 111 and 112

HYMN TO JOY

*Alleluia! Laud and blessing to our God, whose word is sure;
By whose grace we find redemption, in whose love we live secure.
Righteousness and rich compassion shall attend us all our days;
May God's promise to be faithful echo through our songs of praise!
Alleluia! God sustains us; matchless are the gifts we share:
Light in darkness, hope in conflict, answers to our deepest prayer.
Ours to give as we are given: arms to lift when others fall;
Images of God's great goodness, faithful servants to God's call.
Alleluia! Holy Parent, all Your children now reclaim;
May our lives reflect Your justice, heirs to Your most sacred name.
Fill our hearts with understanding, brace our weakness by Your might;
Awesome honor, born in wisdom; Your great glory, our delight!*
- Michael Morgan

The First Lesson

I Corinthians 2:1-12

Austin Carty

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Anthem

Christ, the Way of Life, Possess Me

by K. Lee Scott

*Christ, the Way of Life, possess me, lift my heart to love and praise;
Guide and keep, sustain and bless me all my days.
Well of life, forever flowing, make my barren soul and bare
Like a watered garden growing fresh and fair.
May the Tree of Life in splendor from its leafy boughs impart
Grace divine and healing tender, strength of heart.
Path of life before me shining, let me come when earth is past,
Sorrow, self and sin resigning, home at last.*

- Timothy Dudley-Smith

Give Thanks to God

+Hymn

Beyond the Beauty and the Awe

LAND OF REST

*Beyond the beauty and the awe, beyond the fear and dread,
We long, O God, to hear Your word, to taste Your holy bread.
Our lives feel torn between the world, whose needs are grimly real,
And empty talk of peace and joy with distant, vague appeal.
Oh, teach us how to hear Your voice despite the traffic's din,
To keep the blasts of rancor out and let Your Spirit in.
In sound or silence, sight or smell, may we some token find
That makes Your living presence known to body, soul, and mind.
Then help us live as Jesus taught, as light and salt and yeast,
That others may be brought to share Your promise and Your feast.*

- Carl Daw

The Celebration of Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Austin Carty and Alex Lockridge

Breaking the Bread

Christ, Be Our Light

by Bernadette Farrell



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts, shine through the dark - ness.



Christ, be our light! Shine in Your church gath-ered to - day._____

Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to You.

*Make us Your own, Your holy people, light for the world to see. **REFRAIN***

Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst.

*Make us Your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. **REFRAIN***

Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold.

*Make us Your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. **REFRAIN***

Sharing the Cup

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,

Everywhere I go,

Jesus gave it to me,

Shine, shine, shine, ...

- African American spiritual

+The Peace

Paul Sims

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

+Hymn 290

Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace

O WALY, WALY

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

Alex Lockridge

Loose change received in February will support the Youth Mission Trip to Managua, Nicaragua this June.

Organ Offertory

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

setting by Karl Osterland

text is that of hymn 96

+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.

Go in God's Name

+Commission

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

Sunlight

setting by Harold DeCou

... in my soul today ... all along the way.

+all who are able may stand

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