

First Baptist Church at Worship

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE

April 24, 2016

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

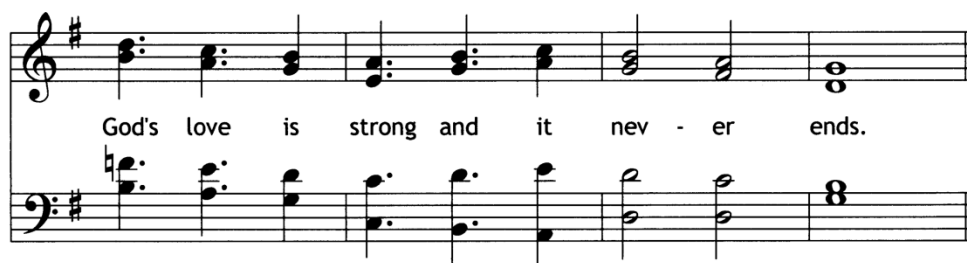
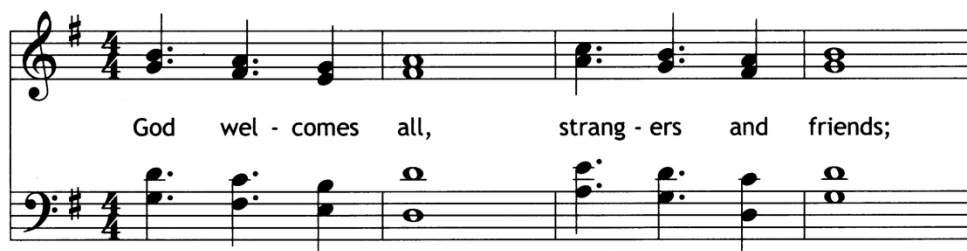
Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Songs

God Welcomes All

South African song



- John Bell, 21st century

Jesus Loves Me

CHINA

*Jesus loves me! this I know, for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me, ... the Bible tells me so.*

*Jesus loves me still today, walking with me all the way,
Wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live.
Yes, Jesus loves me, ... the Bible tells me so.*

- Anna Warner, 19th century; David McGuire, 20th century

Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

Imagine ...

... a place where all are welcome

... and everyone hears the sound of their name.

Imagine ...

... everyone having enough food and water

... and a home free of hatred and fear.

Imagine ...

... a place where creativity is valued

... and the spirit is nurtured in love.

Imagine ...

... just imagine.

+Hymn 357

O Praise the Gracious Power

MARION

stanzas one through five

+Prayer of the Day

Paul Sims

... that everyone we meet will know assuredly that we are Christ's disciples. Amen.

+Easter Alleluia

by Finton O'Carroll

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

- 20th century

The Word

Children's Sermon

Alex Lockridge

Psalm 148

HYFRYDOL

please join to sing stanzas 1 & 2 of hymn 335: *Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him*

A Reading from The Acts of the Apostles, chapter 11

Austin Carty

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Response

MARION

*O praise the power, the truth, the love, the word, the tide.
Yet more than these, O praise their source, praise Christ the crucified.
We praise you Christ! Your cross has made us one!*

- Thomas Troeger, 20th century

+The Easter Gospel: John 13:1-2, 31-35

Alex Lockridge

*The Gospel of our Lord
Thanks be to God*

Sermon

“He Loved Them to the End”

Austin Carty

Responding

+Hymn 272

They'll Know We Are Christians

ST. BRENDAN'S

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

Brooke Litteral

Loose change received in April will go to support the work of CBF Field Personnel Scarlett Jasper, who works in Southeastern and Southern Kentucky through Olive Branch Ministries and Together for Hope.

Offertory Anthem

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

setting by Cindy Johnston

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with Your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from You.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,

Master who pours out himself for them.

Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white,

Neighbors are near and far away.

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love.

All are neighbors to us and you.

Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet,

This is the way we should live with you.

- Ghanaian folk song

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 for Easter

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Praise God from whom all grace flows forth!
Praise Life, all creatures here on earth! Alleluia, alleluia.
Praise Light who guides us on our way!
Praise Love who forms us day by day! Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Sending

+The Peace

Paul Sims

*The peace of the risen Christ be with you.
And also with you.*

+Response

HYFRYDOL

*Worship, honor, glory, blessing, Lord, we offer unto Thee;
Young and old, Thy praise expressing, in glad homage bend the knee.
All the saints in heaven adore Thee. We would bow before Thy throne;
As Thine angels serve before Thee, so on earth Thy will be done. Amen.*

- Edward Osler, 20th century

+Commission and Blessing

Austin Carty

*Go out as disciples of Jesus Christ. The world will recognize you by your love.
Love has created us and makes us whole.
Commune daily with the One who heads our family.
We grow in love when we share love.
Then go in Jesus' name to grow and serve and share.
Alleluia! Amen.*

Organ Postlude

To Worship, Work, and Witness

setting by Dennis Johnson

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist

Ann Hacker, Pianist

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