

# First Baptist Church at Worship

May 13, 2018  
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

## Ascension Sunday

### *Gathering*

Greeting

Austin Carty

Organ Voluntary

setting by Jan Bender/Paul Manz

#### *When Christ Was Lifted from the Earth*

*When Christ was lifted from the earth his arms stretched out above  
Thro' every culture, every birth, to draw an answering love.*

- Brian Wren

Call to Worship

Paul Sims

*Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

***Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!***

*The Lord Jesus Christ has risen to reign.*

***His is the name above all names.***

+Hymn 219

*Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise*

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+Prayer of Confession

Austin Carty

*Almighty God, You have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him above.*

*We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives.*

*We have gone along with the ways of the world, and failed to give him glory.*

***Forgive us, God, and raise us from sin, that we may be Your faithful people,  
obeying the commands of Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church.***

+Easter Alleluia

by Finton O'Carroll



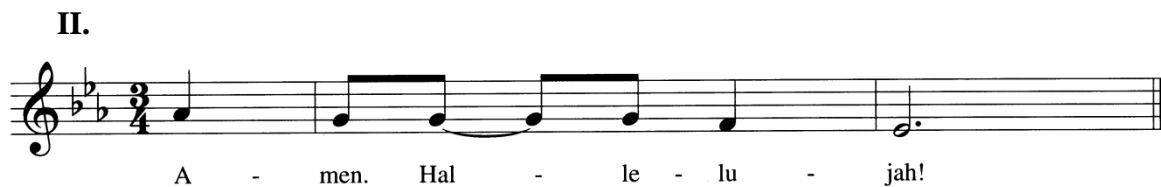
# The Word

Children's Sermon

Alice Tremaine

Psalm 47

by John Bell



*Clap your hands all you nations, **I.** shout for joy all you people; **I.**  
Holy is the most high; **II.** mighty over the earth. **II.***

*To the shouting in triumph, **I.** to the blasting of trumpets, **I.**  
God has gone up, **II.** God ascends over all. **II.***

*Praise the Lord with your singing, **I.** sing God psalms forever. **I.**  
God is ruler of all, **II.** Sovereign over the earth. **II.***

A Reading from the Epistles: Ephesians 1:15-23

Austin Carty

*The word of the Lord*

***Thanks be to God***

+Hymn 590

*The Solid Rock*

SOLID ROCK

+The Easter Gospel: Luke 24:44-53

Paul Sims

*The Gospel of our Lord*

***Thanks be to God***

Sermon

“The Hope to Which God Has Called Us”

Austin Carty

# *Responding*

+Hymn 215

*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

DARWALL

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

Sabrina Smith

Loose change received in May will benefit The Mustard Seed Garden

Offertory Anthem

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

setting by Benjamin Harrison

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone.  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood,  
Jesus, out of every nation, hath redeemed us by his blood.  
Alleluia! Bread of heaven, Thou on earth our food, our stay!  
Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to Thee from day to day:  
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, plead for me,  
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.  
Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! he is near us, faith believes, nor questions how;  
Though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er,  
Shall our hearts forget his promise, "I am with you evermore!"*

- William Dix

Prayers of the People

Austin Carty

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 Ascension

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*O risen Christ, ascended Lord, all praise to You let earth accord. Alleluia, alleluia.  
You are, while endless ages run, with Father and with Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

# *Sending*

+The Peace

Austin Carty

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

+Hymn 481

*Go to the World!*

SINE NOMINE

+Commission and Blessing

Austin Carty & Paul Sims

*Go forth from here in the power of the ascended Christ who said,  
“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.”  
Go with the presence of the ascended Christ who said,  
“I am with you always.”  
Go with the purpose of the ascended Christ who assures us that  
he will confirm his message in the lives of all those who hear. **Amen.***

Organ Postlude

*Sent Forth By God’s Blessing*

setting by Christine Schulz

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist  
Ann Hacker, Pianist

*Sanctuary flowers are given in memory of my mother  
Marie Leake  
by  
Linda Leake Wilson*