First Baptist Church at Worship

May 21, 2017 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

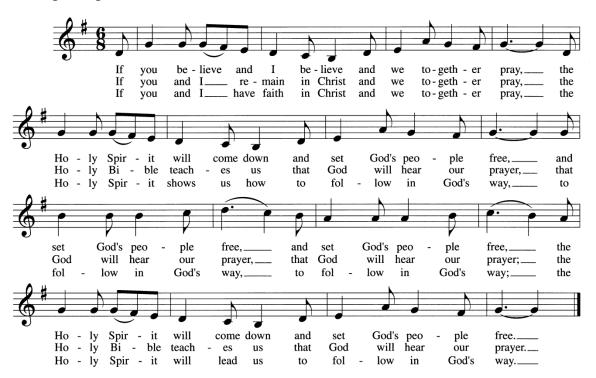
The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Gathering

Greeting Austin Carty

Gathering Song

setting by John Bell



- Zimbabwean worship song

Call to Worship

Austin Carty

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

"If you love me, you will keep My commandments.

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever."

Let us worship God.

+Hymn 205

Christ Is Alive

TRURO

+Prayer of the Day

Paul Sims

... that we may show forth Your love with gentle words and reverent deeds. Amen.

+Easter Alleluia

by Finton O'Carroll





The Word

Children's Sermon

Alice Tremaine

Psalm 66 setting by Hal Hopson



O bless the Lord; come, all rejoice! Let songs of praise resound!

For in the midst of our distress, God's presence can be found. REFRAIN

O would that all, in every place, knew God as I have known;

God shares my joy, and in my grief will leave me not alone. REFRAIN

Bless God, all you who would the lies of sinful lips disprove;

With truth God shall sustain your way, your life with steadfast love. **REFRAIN**

- Michael Morgan, 20th century

A Reading from the Epistles: I Peter 3:13-22

Paul Sims

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 196

Alleluia No. 1

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refrain - all; stanzas - choir

+The Easter Gospel: John 14:15-21

Austin Carty

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.

I will pray the Father, and he will give to you another comforter,
That he may abide in you.

- from John 14

Sermon

"This Is the Spirit of Truth"

Austin Carty

Responding

+Hymn 231

Breathe on Me

TRUETT

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

Elizabeth Reese

Loose change received in May will benefit Extreme Build, a ministry of CBF Kentucky. For more information, visit www.cbfky.org.

Offertory

MANNA

the congregation is invited to sing hymn 241: Sweet, Sweet Spirit

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 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.

Sending

+The Peace Paul Sims

The peace of the risen Christ be with you.

And also with you.

+Hymn 272

They'll Know We Are Christians

ST. BRENDAN'S

+Commission and Blessing

Austin Carty & Paul Sims

Be of a loving spirit, a tender heart, and a humble mind.

Do not return evil for evil, or harm for harm, but pursue peace.

And may our Lord Jesus Christ, who loved us and through grace has given us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. Amen.

Organ Postlude

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

setting by Anna Laura Page

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> Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist

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