

First Baptist Church at Worship

May 7, 2017

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Gathering

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

setting by Richard Smallwood



Lead me, guide me, a - long the way, for — if You lead me, I can-not stray.



Lord, — let me walk each day with Thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. ———

I am weak and I need Thy strength and power to help me over my weakest hour.

*Help me through the darkness Thy face to see. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. **REFRAIN***

I am lost if You take Your hand from me, I am blind without Thy Light to see,

*Lord, just always let me Thy servant be. Lead me, O Lord, lead me. **REFRAIN***

- Doris Akers, 20th century

Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Let us worship God.

+Hymn

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers

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Christ has risen while earth slumbers; Christ has risen where hope died,

As he said and as he promised, as we doubted and denied.

Let the moon embrace the blessing; let the sun sustain the cheer;

Let the world confirm the rumor: Christ is risen, God is here!

Christ has risen and forever lives to challenge and to change

All whose lives are messed or mangled, all who find religion strange.

Christ is risen, Christ is present making us what he has been:

Evidence of transformation in which God is known and seen.

- John Bell, 20th century

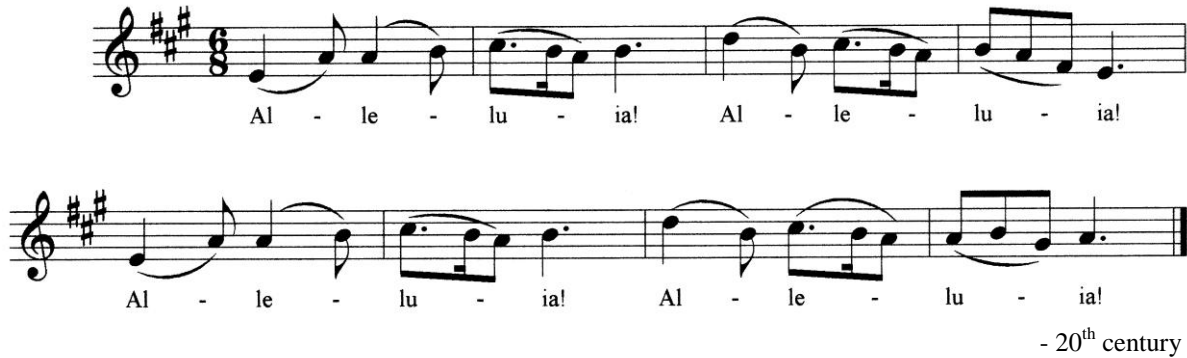
+Prayer of the Day

Paul Sims

... that we may have life, and have it abundantly. Amen.

+Easter Alleluia

by Finton O'Carroll



The Word

Children's Sermon

Alex Lockridge

Psalm 23

Paul Sims

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

A Reading from the Epistles: I Peter 2:19-25

Austin Carty

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Hymn 405

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

BRADBURY

+The Easter Gospel: John 10:1-10

Alex Lockridge

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

"I Came that They Might Have Life"

Austin Carty

Responding

+Hymn 607

I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

HYFRYDOL

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

Sandi Curd

Loose change received in May will benefit Extreme Build, a ministry of CBF Kentucky.

For more information, visit www.cbfsky.org.

Offertory Anthem

The Lord Is My Shepherd

setting by Allen Pote

The Lord is my shepherd. Nothing shall I want. My shepherd makes me lie in fields of green, leads me beside still waters. The Lord is my shepherd, who restores my life. Leads me in the paths of righteousness for the sake of the Lord's name. And even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me, Your rod and staff will comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and in the house of my God I will live forever.

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

Alex Lockridge

The peace of the risen Christ be with you.

And also with you.

+Hymn 637

Guide My Feet

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+Commission and Blessing

Austin Carty and Alex Lockridge

*As you go, remember that you have been claimed by Jesus, the Good Shepherd,
who came that we may have abundant life.*

*And day by day, may you receive God's goodness and mercy,
so that your life will overflow with God's generosity. **Amen.***

Organ Postlude

Surely Goodness and Mercy

setting by Harold DeCou

... shall follow me all the days of my life.

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist

Ann Hacker, Pianist

The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in memory of our mother

Eula Taylor

in commemoration of her birthday

by

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Maxine and Eldred Von Gruenigen