First Baptist Church at Worship

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 10, 2016 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Greeting Austin Carty

Gathering Song

Love the Lord Your God

by Jean & Jim Strathdee









Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

Teach us Your way, O God;

show us Your great mercy.

Teach us to be good neighbors,

showing mercy to one another.

+Hymn 488

Come, All Christians, Be Committed

BEACH SPRING

+Prayer of the Day

Paul Sims

This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

+Response BEACH SPRING

As we worship, grant us vision, till Your love's revealing light In its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, Making known the needs and burdens Your compassion bids us bear, Stirring us to tireless striving Your abundant life to share.

- Albert Bayly

The Word

Children's Sermon Alex Lockridge

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:9-14

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 25 setting by Hal Hopson



Make me know Your ways, O Lord; teach me Your paths.

Guide me in Your truth, for You are my God and Savior.

All day long I hope in You because You are my God.

Your mercy and love are sure, as old as time itself. REFRAIN

Do not remember the sins of my youth; in Your love remember me.

The Lord is upright and good; God shows the path to those who stray.

God leads the humble on the right path, teaches the oppressed the way.

All God's ways are love and truth for those who keep God's word. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Epistles: Colossians 1:1-16

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The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 349

To God Be the Glory

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A Reading from the Gospels: Luke 10:25-37

Alex Lockridge

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

"The Image of the Invisible God"

Austin Carty

Responding

Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

Gracious God, Jesus has told us that our lives are enriched by loving You and loving our neighbors. We confess that love is hard for us. We are too selfish or too pessimistic, too hollow or too hardened, or just too tired to give ourselves to love's demands. So we make excuses, take shortcuts, and seek our own pleasure. Now we find ourselves far away from abundant life. Help us make our way back to You.

Forgive our sins and direct our hearts that we may find the strength to meet love's demands and the grace to receive love's gifts.

For we pray in the name of Jesus, whose love has no boundary.

Amen.

+Hymn 698

For the Healing of the Nations

CWM RHONDDA

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

Nancy Rich

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

Offertory Anthem

Thou Art Worthy

setting by Jack Schraeder

The Summer Choir

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power.

For Thou hast created all things; and for Thy pleasure they are created.

- from Revelation 4 and Colossians 1

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 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.

Sending

+Sending Song I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me by Wendell Whalum







I'm gonna work I'm gonna pray I'm gonna sing

- African-American spiritual

+Commission and Blessing

Austin Carty

Organ Postlude Rescue the Perishing setting by Hugh Livingston, Jr. ... touched by a loving heart, wakened by kindness, cords that are broken will vibrate once more.

- Fanny J. Crosby

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist

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