

First Baptist Church at Worship

August 13, 2017
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

Greeting

Paul Sims

Gathering Songs

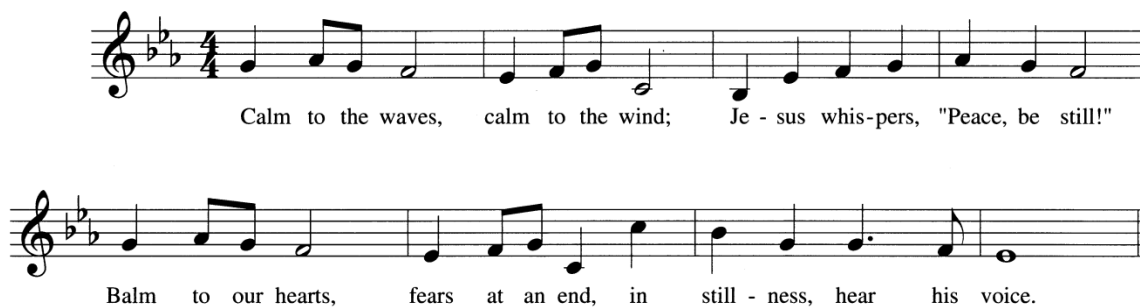
Precious Lord, Take My Hand

by Thomas Dorsey

*Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone;
Hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.*

Calm to the Waves

by William Rowan



- Mary Louise Bringle

Call to Worship

Larry Gray

*As we come to worship today, we are tossed to and fro on waves of fear and doubt.
Calmer of troubled waters, let us hear again Your reassuring words,
"Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."*

*As we come together today, we are driven here and there by winds of ambition and pride.
Healer of troubled souls, let us hear again Your reassuring words,
"Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."*

*Come, Lord Jesus, and bless our worship with the gift of Your presence,
that we might find peace for our anxious hearts and meaning for our troubled lives.*

+Hymn 422

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners

HYFRYDOL

stanzas 1, 2, and 3

+A Baptismal Affirmation

Paul Sims

*But now thus says the Lord,
he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.*

***When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you.***

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

You are precious in my sight, and I love you.

- from Isaiah 43

The Baptism of Clara Finneseth

Alex Lockridge and Rodney Norvell

Response

by David Haas

During the singing of the response, children may meet their
Children's Church leaders at the door nearest the baptistery.



Do not be a-fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.



Come and fol-low me, I will bring you home;— I love you and you are mine.

"I will come to you in the silence; I will lift you from all your fear.

You will hear My voice: I claim you as My choice. Be still and know I am here." **REFRAIN**

"I am hope for all who are hopeless; I am eyes for all who long to see.

In the shadows of the night, I will be your light. Come and rest in me." **REFRAIN**

"I am the Word that leads all to freedom; I am the peace the world cannot give.

I will call your name, embracing all your pain. Stand up, now walk and live! **REFRAIN**

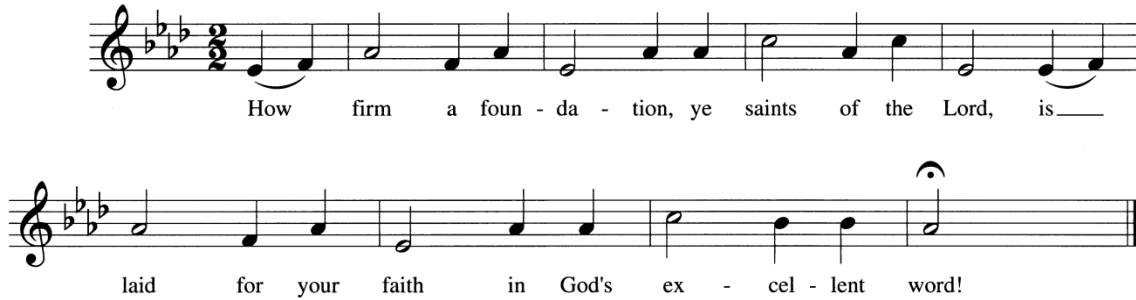
The Word

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: I Kings 19:9-18

Larry Gray

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



*Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.*

***Surely God's salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that God's glory may dwell in our land. REFRAIN***

*Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss.
Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.*

The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Gospels: Matthew 14:22-33

Paul Sims

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn

Once You Walked across the Waters

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***Once You walked across the waters, those in ancient times have said,
Calmed the storm that in its fury filled Your struggling friends with dread.
Christ, You know the honest questions that may fill the searching mind,
Churn the heart in whose recesses faith and doubt lie intertwined.***

***Come, when waters rising, raging, threaten our security;
When we're tossed within the tumult, cry for help we cannot see.
Walk, O Christ, across the ages; with Your peace our hearts pervade.
Help us in the storm to hear You: "It is I; be not afraid!"***

- Herman Stuempfle, Jr.

Sermon

Larry Gray

"Why Are You Here: Cave Dwellers and Water Walkers"

Responding

+Hymn 590

The Solid Rock

THE SOLID ROCK

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

Dave Huff

Loose change received in August will benefit the Corbin Community Backpack Program.

Offertory Anthem

How Firm a Foundation

setting by Dale Wood

The Summer Choir
text is that of hymn 425

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

+The Peace

Alex Lockridge

*The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.*

+Hymn 637

Guide My Feet

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+Commission and Blessing

Larry Gray

Organ Postlude

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

setting by Don Phillips

... Who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid the rage did sleep.

- William Whiting

+all who are able may stand

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