### First Baptist Church at Worship

August 27, 2017 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

### The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

## Gathering

Greeting Austin Carty

Gathering Song

#### The Summons

KELVINGROVE

Will you come and follow Me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?

Will you let My love be shown, will you let My name be known,

Will you let My life be grown in you and you in Me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?

Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?

Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in Me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?

Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?

Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen,

And admit to what I mean in you and you in Me?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?

Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?

Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,

Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in Me?



Call to Worship Alex Lockridge

Beloved in Christ, let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good.

Love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.

For in this way God's glory will be made known and all people will praise God.

+Hymn 341

For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

stanzas 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6

### +Prayer of Confession

**Paul Sims** 

Have mercy on us, Lord: You have set Your way before us, and we tremble to see it. It is not just suffering we are afraid to bear, but also the weight of Your call: Your command to excel in love, rejoice in hope, and live peaceably with all—Your appeal to overcome evil with good.

Who are we to live in such a way? We do not merit Your confidence.

Merciful God, forgive our fear and faithlessness. Help us to see what You see, to follow where You go, and to live in awe at Your presence. **Amen.** 

+Act of Praise DIX

For the church that evermore lifteth holy hands above; Offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love: Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

- Folliott Pierpoint

### The Word

Children's Sermon

Alex Lockridge

setting by Hal Hopson

Psalm 26



You are my judge, O Lord, my God, for I have walked among the just;
With constant faith, I shall not fall, for always You have been my trust. REFRAIN
Test me, O Lord, before Your sight; my heart's deep secrets now reveal;
And for the wrongs which mar my cause, to Your great mercy, I appeal. REFRAIN
O God, I love Your holy house, where justice clothed in love resides;

The lure of earth cannot corrupt the soul which in Your grace abides. **REFRAIN**- Michael Morgan, alt.

A Reading from the Epistles: Romans 12:9-21

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 290

Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace

O WALY, WALY

**Austin Carty** 

A Reading from the Gospels: Matthew 16:21-28

Alex Lockridge

The Gospel of our Lord

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

"What Does It Profit?"

**Austin Carty** 

## Responding

+Hymn 491

Wherever He Leads I'll Go

**FALLS CREEK** 

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

Stan

Brasher

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

Offertory Anthem

The Servant Song

setting by David Schwoebel

The Summer Choir

If anyone would be first, they shall be the last of all, be the servant of all.

We are travelers on a journey, fellow pilgrims on the road;

We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

*I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear;* 

I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

Sister, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;

Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

Brother, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;

Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh, I'll laugh with you;

I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony.

Born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.

If anyone would be first, they shall be the last of all, be the servant of all.

- David Gillard

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 Paul Sims

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

I'M GONNA LIVE

I'm gonna live so God can use me, anywhere, Lord, anytime;....

I'm gonna work ....

I'm gonna pray ....

I'm gonna sing ....

- African American spiritual

### +Commission and Blessing

**Austin Carty** 

Paul says:

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. May we live by the Spirit.

Amen.

Organ Postlude

Rescue the Perishing

setting by Hugh Livingston, Jr.

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Gayle Majors, Organist Ann Hacker, Pianist Lorin Leake, cantor

 ${\it The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in honor of}$ 

Glennis Hensley

for her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday

by

Nancy, Courtney, and Patrick Haggerty Bill, Tricia, Grace, and Kate Hensley Cindy, Lars, and Clara Finneseth