

First Baptist Church at Worship

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 18, 2016

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

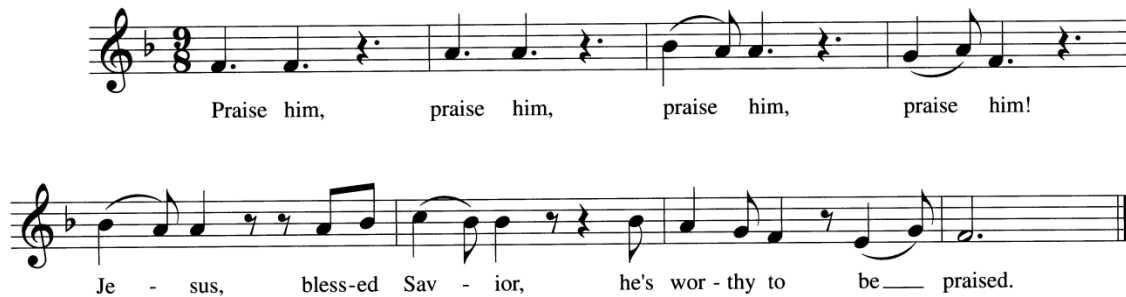
Gathering

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

by Donnie Harper



*From the rising of the sun until the going down of the same,
He's worthy, Jesus is worthy, he's worthy to be praised. REFRAIN
For God is our rock, hope of salvation;
A strong deliverer, in him will I always trust. REFRAIN*

- from Psalms 18 & 113

Call to Worship

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*O people of God, praise the Lord!
Blessed is God's name forever.
From break of day to setting sun,
Let us praise the name of the Lord.*

+Hymn 345

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

+Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

Holy God, we confess our willingness to worship almost anything but You.

Our devotion is given to our work and to our play.

We spend lots of time pursuing idols, only to find them unsatisfying.

***We have many masters, and we trade them back and forth,
hoping that eventually one will have what we need.***

Have mercy on us.

Curb our boundless appetites and feed us with bread that will last.

Focus our hearts on Jesus,

Who alone is worthy of our worship, who alone is able to save!

+Act of Praise

CORONATION

*All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.*

*Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.*

- Edward Perronet

The Word

Children's Sermon

Casey Petrey

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: Amos 8:4-7

Paul Sims

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Psalm 113

HYMN TO JOY

*Bless the Lord, O saints and servants, praise the might of God's great name;
Ageless, matchless, filled with wonder, yesterday, today, the same.
When the dawn receives the sunrise till the night returns its rays,
Shall the glory of God's goodness be the theme of all our praise.*

Who in heav'n can be God's equal, who on earth with God compare?

Who can raise the poor from ashes, lift the needy from despair?

God alone invites the helpless with the strong to share reward;

Fields once barren yield a harvest, tongues once silent praise their Lord.

- Michael Morgan

A Reading from the Gospels: Luke 16:1-13

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The gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Hymn 71

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

stanzas 1, 2, and 3

Sermon

“The Needy for a Pair of Shoes”

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Responding

+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 September will go to the CBF Disaster Response following the devastating flooding in southern Louisiana.

Offertory Anthem

Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

setting by K. Lee Scott

*Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
Help me now Thy grace to see, I would be like Thee;
And, with words that help and heal, Thy life would mine reveal;
And, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.
Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
Help me now Thy truth to see, I would be like Thee;
And, with wisdom kind and clear, Thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions lovingly, speak Christ's sincerity.
Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
Show Thy mercy tenderly, make me more like Thee;
Separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be give him who gave me Thee.
Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
Help me now Thy power to see, I would be like Thee;
'Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be Thou my strength and shield;
Let Thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.*

- Thomas Lynch

Prayers of the People

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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

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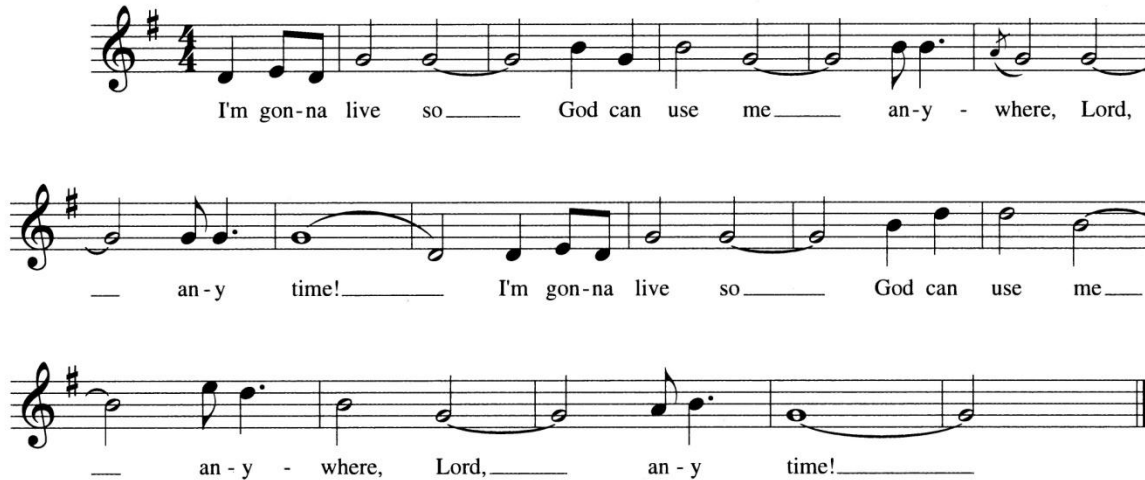
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

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

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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.***

Organ Postlude

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

setting by Matt Limbaugh

+all who are able may stand

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