First Baptist Church at Worship The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 13, 2022 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Organ Voluntary

Chorale Prelude on OLD HUNDREDTH*

by Johann Walther by Johann Pachelbel

Greeting and Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

And also with you.

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Time passes, seasons change, but God remains steadfast and sure, a deeply rooted tree with leaves for the healing of the nations and the saving of our souls.

Let us worship God.

Hymn 312

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

MARION

stanzas 1 through 4

Confession of Sin

Paul Sims

Forgive our vain repetitions, O God of mercy, for our deeds do not match our words of belief. We mouth pious slogans but fail to correct injustice. We claim to be righteous, while practicing bigotry and rejecting others. We glory in Your gifts that bring success and comfort, yet we deny neighbors their right to prosper. Help us to confess Christ risen for all people, and forgive our failure to translate faith into action.

Act of Praise MARION

Praise God, who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore, The Father, Son, and Spirit blest, one God forevermore. Rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

- Edward H. Plumptre

Proclaiming

A Moment for Children

Jeremiah Banks

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture

Paul Sims

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Psalm 1 setting by Hal Hopson



Happy indeed are they who refuse the way of evil,
nor walk the road of sinners, nor join the mockers of God. REFRAIN
Joy shall be in the hearts of those who delight in the law of God,
for they recite the law, they speak it day and night. REFRAIN
They are like green trees that grow by clear flowing waters,
they bear their fruit in due season, their leaves fade not, they prosper. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Gospels

Alex Lockridge

Luke 6:17-26

Hymn 507

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Sermon

"Living in Faithful Incompatibility"

Alex Lockridge

Responding

Hymn 671

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

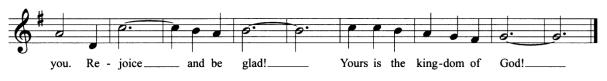
*BEACH SPRING

If you desire to become a follower of Christ or if you wish to present yourself for membership today, please come to the front of the sanctuary during the hymn and a minister will receive you. You are welcome here.

Offertory Prayer

Ann Hacker





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Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God.

Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled. REFRAIN

Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the earth.

Blest are they who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill. REFRAIN

Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs.

Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God! REFRAIN

Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God.

Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs. REFRAIN

Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me.

Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom. Shine for all to see. REFRAIN

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

Hymn 698

 $For \ the \ Healing \ of \ the \ Nations$

*CWM RHONDDA

stanzas 1, 2, and 4

Commission and Blessing

Alex Lockridge and Jeremiah Banks

Go from this place and trust in the Lord.

Do not be influenced by the ways of sinners and cynics,
but delight in the Lord's teaching and study it night and day.

And may God raise you to new life in Christ,
may Christ Jesus heal you of all that troubles you,
and may the Holy Spirit keep you fruitful in all you do. Amen.

Organ Postlude

Voluntary on CWM RHONDDA

by Paul Manz

Lorin Leake, cantor

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*supplemental organ music by William P. Young, III