First Baptist Church at Worship The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 26, 2022 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Organ Voluntary

Fairest Lord Jesus

setting by Dale Wood

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son;
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.
Beautiful Savior, Lord of all nations, Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine!
- 17th century German hymn

Greeting and Call to Worship

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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Like the woman who lavished her treasure on the feet of Christ, we come now to worship and offer ourselves to the Lord. The things we once treasured are worthless, compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus!

+Hymn 315 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above MIT FREUDEN ZART stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 4

+Confession and Forgiveness

Our claim to forgiveness rests entirely in God's claim on us. Jesus Christ restores us to life! Say it with joy: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

+Act of Praise

Let all who name Christ's holy name give God all praise and glory; Let all who know his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story. Cast each false idol from its throne, for Christ is Lord, and Christ alone. To God all praise and glory.

- Johann Jakob Schütz

Jeremiah Banks

Carolyn Garr

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Proclaiming

A Moment for Children

Psalm 126

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations:

The Lord has done great things for them.

The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced. May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy. Those who go out weeping, bearing seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy.

A Reading from the Letters to the Churches Philippians 3:4b-14

Hymn 71

stanzas 1, 2, and 3

A Reading from the Gospels

While Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor." And they scolded her. But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

Be Thou My Vision

-Mark 14:3-9

Sermon

Responding

"The Fragrance of Forever"

+Hymn 361

My Jesus, I Love Thee

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.

Phil Majors

Jeremiah Banks

Carolyn Garr

Jeremiah Banks

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Phil Majors

*GORDON

+Offertory Prayer

Jeremiah Banks

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

Offertory Anthem

The Love of the Lord

by Michael Joncas

The Summer Choir Samuel Garr, accompanist

All that I counted as gain, now I consider as loss,
Empty and worthless to me in the light of the love of the Lord.
Riches and honors will fade, earthly delights disappear,
Fade like the grass of the field in the light of the love of the Lord.
What more could bring us hope than to know the power of his life?
What more could bring us peace than to share in his suffering and death?
What more could be our final wish than to live in the love of the Lord?
Silver and gold have I none, no land to count as my home,
Yet wealth beyond measure I own in the light of the love of the Lord.
Faith is the wealth I possess, finding its source in my God:
Faith in the promise of Christ is the light of the love of the Lord.
What more could bring us hope than to know the power of his life?
What more could bring us hope than to know the power of the Lord.

Prayers of the People

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

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

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

+ Hymn 641 stanzas 1, 3, and 4 Higher Ground

Jeremiah Banks

HIGHER GROUND

Phil Majors

OLD HUNDREDTH

+Commission and Blessing

Jeremiah Banks and Phil Majors

In Christ, you are a new creation; the old has passed away; the new has come. In newness of life, re-enter your everyday world, seeing it through new eyes, seeking the upward call. And may God bathe you in the sweet fragrance of love, may Christ Jesus make you his own, and may the Holy Spirit be with you, this day and every day. Amen.

Organ Postlude

Be Thou My Vision

setting by Matt Limbaugh

+ all who are able may stand

The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given

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*supplemental organ music by William P. Young, III