# First Baptist Church at Worship

May 15, 2022 Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

# The Fifth Sunday of Easter

# Assemble in God's Name

**Organ Voluntary** 

Trumpet Tune in D Major\*

by David N. Johnson

Alex Lockridge

Greeting and Call to Worship

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! This is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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For people near and far, for people present and people to come, for the young and for those wise with age: **Come, let us praise the Lord; let us worship God.** 

+Hymn 335

Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him

Jeremiah Banks

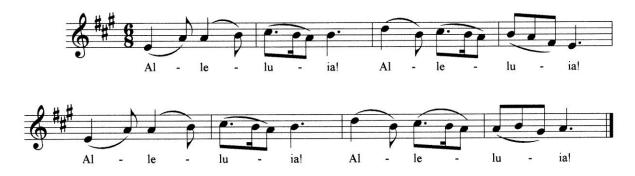
**HYFRYDOL** 

+Confession of Sin

Holy God, You command us to love one another, yet we hold grudges and refuse to work for peace. You command us to care for all of creation, yet we neglect the earth and abuse nature through carelessness. You command us to walk in the ways of Jesus, yet we too often walk our own way. Forgive us, O God. Guide us as we work toward a new heaven here on earth. Lead us to a vision of Your beloved community, as we share Your love with Your people everywhere.

+Easter Alleluia

by Finton O'Carroll



# Proclaim God's Word

## A Moment for Children

+Psalm 148

Let the whole creation cry, "Glory to the Lord on high." Heav'n and earth, awake and sing. "God is our eternal King." Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem manifold: Join with children's songs of praise, worship God through length of days. Praise God, all you hosts above, ever shining forth in love; Sun and moon, uplift your voice; night and stars, in God rejoice! From the north to southern pole let the mighty chorus roll: "Holy, holy, holy One, glory be to God alone!"

- Stopford Brooke

## A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 11:1-18

#### The Easter Gospel

"Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Help Us Accept Each Other

- John 13:31-35

**AURELIA** 

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; Teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe We are ourselves accepted, and meant to love and live. Teach us, O Lord, Your lessons, as in our daily life We struggle to be human and search for hope and faith. Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some, To love them as we find them, or as they may become. Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need, Who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness and bread, We need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on: Renew us with Your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one! - Fred Kaan

Sermon

Alex Lockridge

"Seeing the Point – The Rule-breaking Commandment"

## +Hymn

# Alex Lockridge

# **Jeremiah Banks**

### ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

**Jeremiah Banks** 

# Give Thanks to God

#### +Hymn 341

#### For the Beauty of the Earth

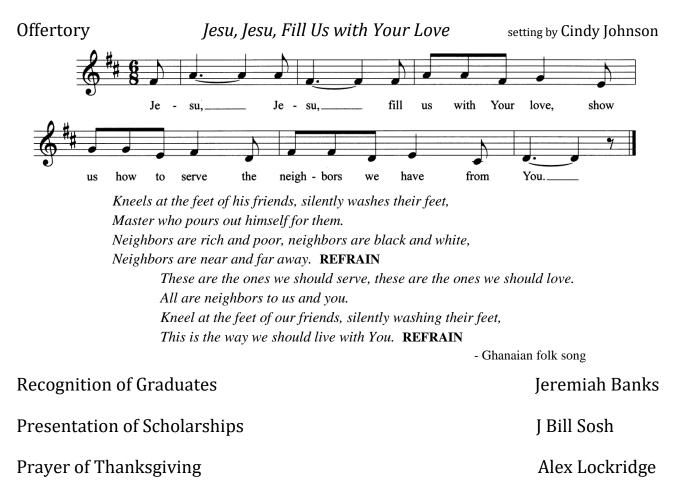
stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 4

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

## Jeremiah Banks

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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 for Easter

Praise God from whom all grace flows forth! Praise Life, all creatures here on earth! Alleluia, alleluia. Praise Light who guides us on our way! Praise Love who forms us day by day! Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### LASST UNS ERFREUEN

# Go in God's Name

+The Peace

Jeremiah Banks

The peace of the risen Christ be with you. And also with you.

+Hymn 272

## They'll Know We Are Christians

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## +Commission and Blessing

Jeremiah Banks and Alex Lockridge

Go out as disciples of Jesus Christ. The world will recognize you by your love. Commune daily with the One who heads our family and grow in love for one another. Then go in Jesus' name to serve and share God's love. **Amen.** 

Organ Postlude

#### Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him

by Anna Laura Page

+all who are able may stand

Carolyn Garr, worship leader

#### The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in memory of William E. Hensley

by

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

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\*supplemental organ music by William P. Young, III