

First Baptist Church at Worship

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 21, 2016

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

Kenyan gathering song



Call to Worship

Paul Sims

*Let us delight in God's gift of Sabbath;
let us honor the day of the Lord.
We delight in the God who sets us free;
we honor the Lord by doing justice.*

+Hymn 299

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

OLD 134TH

stanzas 1, 2, 4, and 5

+Prayer of the Day

Alex Lockridge

... through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Act of Praise

Lauda anima

by Mark Andrews

The Summer Choir

*Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!
Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows.
Angels in the height adore him! Ye behold him face to face;
Saints triumphant bow before him! Gathered in from every race.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace. Amen.*

- Henry Lyte

The Word

Children's Sermon

Alex Lockridge

Psalm 103:1-13

setting by John Bell



Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

***Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—
who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the Pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good as long as you live
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.***

The LORD works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

***He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.***

For as the heavens are high above the earth,

so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us.

***As a father has compassion for his children,
so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him. REFRAIN***

A Reading from the Epistles: Hebrews 12:18-29

Austin Carty

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 619

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine

ASSURANCE

A Reading from the Gospels: Luke 13:10-17

Alex Lockridge

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

"Speaks a Better Word"

Austin Carty

Responding

Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

*Holy God, You are a consuming fire and the judge of all,
promising us a place in Your kingdom that cannot be shaken,
but determined to shake loose and remove all that is fleeting
and impermanent by the powerful blood of Jesus.*

***We confess, O God, that we cling to familiar, fleshly bonds,
sometimes finding freedom more fearful than fear itself.***

*Forgive our sins and our stubborn resistance to Your will,
and help us release our grip on those things that are of no avail
and have no place in Your eternal realm.*

Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

+Hymn 657

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

GERMANY

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

Larry Gray

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

Piano Offertory

I Hear Thy Welcome Voice

setting by David Schwoebel

Donna Davis

I hear Thy welcome voice that calls me, Lord, to Thee,

For cleansing in Thy precious blood that flowed on Calvary.

'Tis Jesus calls me on to perfect faith and love,

To perfect hope and peace and trust, for earth and heaven above.

I am coming, Lord! Coming now to Thee!

Wash me, cleanse me in the blood that flowed on Calvary!

- Lewis Hartsough

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 550

We're Marching to Zion

MARCHING TO ZION

+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.*

Organ Postlude

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

setting by Richard Warner

+all who are able may stand

Music reprinted under OneLicense.net Number A-722512

Gayle Majors, Organist

Ann Hacker, Pianist

Sanctuary flowers are given in memory of

Edmond Wyatt and Edith Wyatt

and

Ray Tipton

by

Joyce Tipton

Jeff, Debbie, and Lauren Tipton

Wes, Lynn, and Wesley Tipton

Kim, Steve, Michael Ray, Hannah, and Jeffrey Scott Morton

Seth and Sarah Reeves