

# First Baptist Church at Worship

October 25, 2020  
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

## The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Greeting and Call to Worship

Paul Sims

*You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
and with all your soul, and with all your mind.*

***And you shall love your neighbor as yourself.***

*Drawn by love, let us come into God's presence to offer  
our whole selves in Christ's service.*

***Let us worship the Lord.***

Hymn

*We Praise You with Our Minds, O Lord*

CLONMEL

***We praise You with our minds, O Lord, kept sharp to think Your thought;  
Come, Holy Ghost with grace outpoured, to teach what Christ has taught.  
In all our learning may we seek that wisdom from above***

***Which comes to all: the brave, the meek, who ask in faith and love.***

***We praise You through our bodies, Lord, kept strong to do Your will;  
Your Spirit's temples, which afford a means to praise You still.***

***We give ourselves, a sacrifice, to live our lives for You;***

***For You alone have paid the price to bring salvation true.***

***We praise You in our hearts, O Lord, kept pure to know Your ways;  
And raise to You a hymn to sing eternally Your praise.***

***Although adoring hearts will bow as age on ages roll;***

***We praise You in our beings now, mind, body, heart, and soul.***

- Hugh McElrath

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture

from Leviticus 19

Paul Sims

Psalm 1

setting by Hal Hopson



Hap - py are they who de - light, \_\_\_\_\_ who de - light in the law of God.

*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 Moment for Children

Lindsay Lowe

from Matthew 22

Sermon

“Passing the Test”

Alex Lockridge

Hymn

*The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound*

AZMON

*The church of Christ cannot be bound by walls of wood or stone.*

*Where charity and love are found, there can the church be known.*

*True faith will open up the door and step into the street.*

*True service will seek out the poor and ask to wash their feet.*

*True love will not sit idly by when justice is denied.*

*True mercy hears the homeless cry and welcomes them inside.*

*If what we have, we freely share to meet our neighbor's need,*

*Then we extend the Spirit's care through every selfless deed.*

- Adam M. L. Tice

Prayers of the People

Paul Sims

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.*

Spiritual

*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

by Wendell Whalum

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the first line of the song. The second staff contains the second line. The third staff contains the third line and ends with a double bar line.

I'm gon-na live so \_\_\_\_\_ God can use me \_\_\_\_\_ an-y - where, Lord,  
— an - y time! \_\_\_\_\_ I'm gon-na live so \_\_\_\_\_ God can use me —  
— an - y - where, Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ an - y time! \_\_\_\_\_

*I'm gonna work.... I'm gonna pray.... I'm gonna LOVE....*

Benediction

Paul Sims

*Sisters and brothers, it is not enough to say that we love God. For, if we do love God, we will love our neighbors also – not sparingly, not grudgingly, but earnestly, joyfully, abundantly. So, move gently among the people of the earth, offering not only the gospel but your heart and your soul and your mind and your strength. Amen.*

Carolyn Garr, Ed Garr, and Ann Hacker, singers

*The flowers that grace our sanctuary  
are given in memory of*

**Curt Burgan**

*by*

*Anthony and Cheryl Holland*

*Connor Holland and family*

*Daniel, Lindsay, Jackson, Harrison, and Emerson Lowe*

*Kevin and Sherry Pace*