

First Baptist Church at Worship

February 23, 2020
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Transfiguration of the Lord

Gathering

Greeting

Paul Sims

Organ Voluntary

Great Redeemer, We Adore Thee

setting by Charles Callahan

*Life and love from Thee are beaming, sin and sorrow melt away;
King of kindness, smile upon us, shine on us Thy light today!*

- John Roy Harris

Call to Worship

Phil Majors

*The Lord said to Moses: Come up to the mountain;
and the glory of the Lord shone all around.*

Let us worship the Lord our God.

*Jesus led his disciples up a high mountain,
and he was transfigured, shining like the sun.*

Let us worship the Lord our God.

+Hymn 161

See Our Lord in All His Glory

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+Prayer of Confession

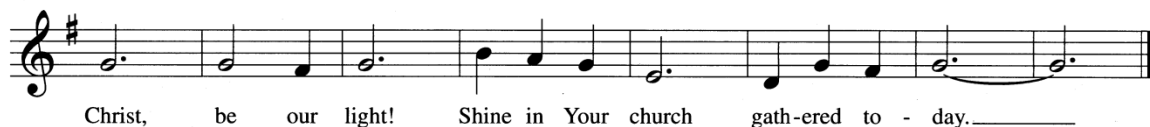
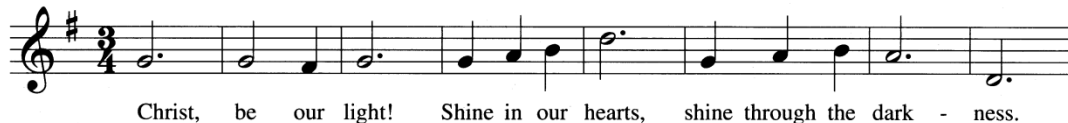
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*... make it our mission, each day, to show the wonder of Your love,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

+Response

Christ, Be Our Light

by Bernadette Farrell



Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to You.

*Make us Your own, Your holy people, light for the world to see. **REFRAIN***

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.

*Your word alone has power to save us. Make us Your living voice. **REFRAIN***

Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.

*Let us be servants to one another, making Your kingdom come. **REFRAIN***

The Word

Children's Sermon

Lindsay Lowe

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: Exodus 24:12-18

Paul Sims

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 99

setting by Hal Hopson

cantor, then congregation:



God is ruler;

Let the people tremble!

God sits enthroned upon the cherubim;

Let the earth quake!

Let them praise Your great and awesome name.

Holy is the Lord! REFRAIN

Moses and Aaron were among God's priests.

They cried to God, and God answered them.

God spoke to them in the pillar of cloud;

They kept God's decrees and God answered them.

Extol the Lord our God, and worship at God's holy mountain;

For the Lord our God is holy. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Epistles: II Peter 1:16-19

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The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 159

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADERS' HYMN

A Reading from the Gospels: Matthew 17:1-9

Phil Majors

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

Jefferson Calico

“What Happens on the Mountain Stays on the Mountain”

Responding

+Hymn

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

HYMN TO JOY

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.

*Swiftly pass the clouds of glory, heaven's voice, the dazzling light;
Moses and Elijah vanish; Christ alone commands the height!
Peter, James and John fall silent, turning from the summit's rise
Downward toward the shadowed valley where their Lord has fixed his eyes.
Glimpsed and gone the revelation, they shall gain and keep its truth,
Not by building on the mountain any shrine or sacred booth,
But by following the Savior through the valley to the cross
And by testing faith's resilience through betrayal, pain, and loss.
Lord, transfigure our perception with the purest light that shines,
And recast our life's intentions to the shape of Your designs,
Till we seek no other glory than what lies past Calvary's hill
And our living and our dying and our rising by Your will.*

- Thomas Troeger

+Offertory Prayer

Paul Sims

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

Offertory Anthem

Make Our Church One Joyful Choir

by Jonathan Crutchfield

The Sanctuary Choir

*Make our church one joyful choir on this glad and festive day
And by song invoke the fire that invites our hearts to pray:
Shape us, Christ, to live and claim all it means to bear Your name.
Bend us low by song and prayer, low enough to lift the cross
And to take the weight and bear love's uncounted final cost.
Shape us, Christ, to live and claim all it means to bear Your name.
Lift us up by song and prayer till the way we deal with loss
And our acts and words of care trace the pattern of Your cross:
Shape us, Christ, to live and claim all it means to bear Your name.
Bend us, lift us, make us strong, send us out with wind and fire,
So the world may hear the song that we offer as Your choir:
Shape us, Christ, to live and claim all it means to bear Your name. Amen.*

- Thomas Troeger

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Phil Majors

*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

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*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Sending

+Commission

Jefferson Calico

*Go forth, unafraid, to witness to God's power and love,
for we are eyewitnesses to God's glory shining in the face of Christ.
In awe and wonder, we dare to respond. Alleluia. Amen.*

+Hymn 581

I Love to Tell the Story

HANKEY

+Blessing

Jefferson Calico, Phil Majors, & Paul Sims

*The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you;
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.
Amen.*

Organ Postlude

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

setting by Don Hustad

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And recast our life's intentions to the shape of Your designs.*

+all who are able may stand

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in honor of

Fredina Cobb

in celebration of her birthday on February 27

by

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and in honor of

all those who have volunteered their time and talents for

The White Flag Ministry

by

Pat Huff