

# First Baptist Church at Worship

## The Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 3, 2022

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

### Gather in God's Name

Organ Voluntary

*Beautiful Savior\**

setting by Dale Wood

*Beautiful Savior, Lord of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!*

*Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.*

-17<sup>th</sup> century German hymn

Greeting and Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

*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 Mary, 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

Paul Sims

*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!*

Response

by Hal H. Hopson



We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to  
God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en.  
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# Proclaim God's Word

A Moment for Children

Jeremiah Banks

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture

Alex Lockridge

Isaiah 43:16-21

Psalm 126

Paul Sims

*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 Epistles

Alex Lockridge

Philippians 3:4b-14

Hymn 641

*Higher Ground*

HIGHER GROUND

stanzas 1, 3, and 4

A Reading from the Gospels

Paul Sims

John 12:1-8

Sermon

“Missing the Point – Presence over Presents”

Alex Lockridge

# Give Thanks to God

Hymn 366

*O God Beyond All Praising*

THAXTED

The Celebration of Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Alex Lockridge and Paul Sims

*The Lord be with you.*

***And also with you.***

*Lift up your hearts.*

***We lift them to the Lord.***

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

(the Prayer of Thanksgiving continues)

*... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## Breaking the Bread

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

setting by David Maxwell

*... love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all...*

## Sharing the Cup

*More Love to Thee, O Christ*

setting by Harold DeCou

*... this all my prayer shall be: more love, O Christ, to Thee...*

## The Peace

Alex Lockridge

*The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

*And also with you.*

## Hymn 361

*My Jesus, I Love Thee*

\*GORDON

## Offertory Prayer

Phil Majors

## Offertory

*O How I Love Jesus*

\*O HOW I LOVE JESUS

*There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;*

*It sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.*

*O how I love Jesus, ... because he first loved me!*

*It tells me of a Savior's love, who died to set me free;*

*It tells me of his precious blood, the sinner's perfect plea.*

*O how I love Jesus, ... because he first loved me!*

*It tells of One whose loving heart can feel my deepest woe;*

*Who in each sorrow bears a part that none can bear below.*

*O how I love Jesus, ... because he first loved me!*

- Frederick Whitfield

## 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.*

## Go in God's Name

### Commission and Blessing

Alex Lockridge and Paul Sims

*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

*Improvisation on THAXTED\**

by Will Young

*The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in memory of*  
**Vernon and Laverna Asbridge**

*by*  
**Phyllis Hopper**  
**Portia and Tony Asbridge**

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