

First Baptist Church at Worship

June 21, 2020

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

Greeting and Call to Worship

Jefferson Calico

*Whether we whisper or weep or shout, we can trust
that God hears and responds to our pleas.*

Even when we fail to follow Jesus – especially when we fail –

God does not turn away, but cradles us in steadfast arms of grace.

Let us worship God.

Hymn

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

*Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation;
With healing balm by soul he fills, and every faithless murmur stills:
To God all praise and glory.*

What God's almighty power has made in mercy he is keeping;

By morning glow or evening shade his eye is never sleeping;

Within the kingdom of his might, lo! all is just and all is right:

To God all praise and glory.

The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing,

An ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing;

As with a mother's tender hand he leads his own, his chosen band:

To God all praise and glory.

Thus all my toilsome way along I sing aloud his praises,

That all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises;

Be joyful in the Lord, my heart! Both soul and body bear your part:

To God all praise and glory.

- Johann Jakob Schütz

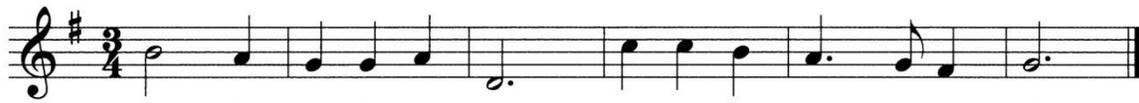
A Reading from Hebrew Scripture

Alice Tremaine

from Genesis 21

Psalm 86

setting by Hal Hopson



Lord, in You do I trust. You are the strength of my life.

*Incline Your ear, O Lord, to me, for I am weak and need Your care;
 My God, my anchor, ever-sure; the truest answer to my prayer. **REFRAIN**
 You, Lord, have shown to me Your grace, in ways beyond my mortal sight;
 Before Your face, I lift my soul; to sing Your praise is my delight! **REFRAIN**
 With steadfast love and mercy sure, You hear our plea, our sins forgive;
 And where You dwell we are redeemed; You bless the heart wherein You live. **REFRAIN***

- Michael Morgan

A Reading from the Gospels

from Matthew 10

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Sermon

“Do Not Be Afraid”

Alice Tremaine

Response

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

by Charles Gabriel

*Why should I feel discouraged? Why should the shadows come?
 Why should my heart be lonely and long for heaven and home,
 When Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is he:
 His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;
 “Let not your heart be troubled,” his tender word I hear,
 And resting on his goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;
 Though by the path he leadeth but one step I may see:
 His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;
 I sing because I’m happy, I sing because I’m free,
 For his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.*

- Civilla Durfee Martin

Prayers of the People

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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.*

Hymn

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be. REFRAIN*

*Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness*

To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. REFRAIN

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! REFRAIN*

REFRAIN: *Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

- Thomas O. Chisholm

Benediction

Alice Tremaine

Carolyn Garr, Worship Leader
Gayle Majors, Organist