

First Baptist Church at Worship

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 27, 2021

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Organ Voluntary

The Church's One Foundation

setting by John Innes

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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As we gather on this holy day we pray for the posture of servants of God:

for openness, that we may be surprised by God's grace;

for humility, that we may be changed by Christ's compassion;

for discernment, that we may hear God's call;

for courage, that we make answer the call.

Let us worship the Living God, our reason for praise.

Hymn 332

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

stanzas 1 through 5

A Moment for Children

Nick Hibbard

Act of Praise

AZMON

during the singing of the Act of Praise, children are dismissed for Children's Church

To God all glory, praise, and love be ever, ever given

By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

- Charles Wesley

A Reading from the Letters to the Churches

Jeremiah Banks

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, “The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.”

- II Corinthians 8:7-15

Hymn 671

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

A Reading from the Gospels

Carolyn Garr

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.”

So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my clothes?” And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’” He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

- Mark 5:21-43

Sermon

“What Is Baptist?”
Church Freedom

Alex Lockridge

Hymn

The Church of Christ in Every Age

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.

*The church of Christ in every age, beset by change but Spirit-led,
Must claim and test its heritage and keep on rising from the dead.
Across the world, across the street, the victims of injustice cry
For shelter and for bread to eat, and never live before they die.
Then let the servant church arise, a caring church that longs to be
A partner in Christ's sacrifice, and clothed in Christ's humanity.
For Christ alone, whose blood was shed, can cure the fever in our blood,
And teach us how to share our bread and feed the starving multitude.
We have no mission but to serve in full obedience to our Lord:
To care for all, without reserve, and spread Christ's liberating word.*

- Fred Pratt Green

Prayers of the People

Jeremiah Banks

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 246

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

stanzas 1, 2, and 4

Commission & Blessing

Alex Lockridge

*May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit go with you always and in all ways. Amen.*

Organ Postlude

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

setting by A. L. Page

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

Felix and Mattie Pace

and

D. B. and Lucille Lemons

by

Malcolm and Sharon Pace

Vacation Bible School

Compassion Camp

for young people – birth through high school
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