

First Baptist Church at Worship

August 22, 2021

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Organ Voluntary

*Tuba Tune in D Major**

by C. S. Lang

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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*Sisters and brothers, where else can we turn?
To whom can we go?
Jesus alone has the words of eternal life.
Then, let us worship God.*

Hymn 418

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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Confession and Assurance

Paul Sims

*Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

The Peace

Alex Lockridge

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

Act of Praise

Kenyan worship song

Bless the Lord, bless the Lord, bless the Lord, there is no oth - er God.

Response

ASSAM

I have decided to follow Jesus; ... no turning back, no turning back.

Though none go with me, I still will follow; ... no turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me; ... no turning back, no turning back.

- The Garo Christians of India

Sermon

“This Teaching Is Difficult”

Alex Lockridge

Hymn 285

God of Grace and God of Glory

*CWM RHONDDA

If you desire to become a follower of Christ or if you wish to present yourself for membership today, please come to the front of the sanctuary during the hymn and a minister will receive you. You are welcome here.

Prayers of the People

Alex Lockridge

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 637

Guide My Feet

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Commission and Blessing

Alex Lockridge

Go out, and make known the mystery of the gospel.

Keep alert and pray at all times.

Draw strength from God’s power

and so stand firm against all that would corrupt you.

And may God arm you with truth and righteousness;

May Christ Jesus give you words of eternal life;

and may the Holy Spirit draw you near to God’s presence

and bless you with grace. Amen.

Organ Postlude

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

setting by Robert A. Hobby

Carolyn Garr, cantor

The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in honor of
Paul Sims
in commemoration of his 25 years of ministry with
First Baptist Church

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*supplemental organ music provided by William P. Young, III