

# First Baptist Church at Worship

August 30, 2020

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

## The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Greeting and Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

*From whirlwind and burning bush, in still of night and in sheer silence –*

***God calls the faithful to divine work.***

*Beckoning us to turn aside, inviting us to stand on holy ground –*

***God welcomes the faithful into sacred space.***

*Listen, God is calling.*

***Let us worship the Lord!***

Hymn

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

ITALIAN HYMN

***Come, Thou almighty King, help us Thy name to sing;***

***Help us to praise: Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious,***

***Come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.***

***Come, Thou incarnate Word, merciful, mighty Lord,***

***Our prayer attend. Come, and Thy people bless, and give Thy word success;***

***Spirit of holiness, on us descend.***

***Come, holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.***

***Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,***

***And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.***

***To Thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be,***

***Hence evermore! Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see,***

***And to eternity love and adore.***

- Collection of Hymns for Social Worship, 1757

Prayer of the Day

Paul Sims

Response

HEYMONYSTRAAT



Hal - le-lu - jah! Hal - le-lu - jah! Hal - le-lu - jah! God's good-ness is e - ter - nal.

*Praise God for this holy ground, place and people, sight and sound. REFRAIN*

*Praise God who through Christ makes known all are loved and called God's own. REFRAIN*

*Praise God's Spirit who befriends, raises, humbles, breaks, and mends. REFRAIN*

*Though praise ends, praise is begun where God's will is gladly done. REFRAIN*

- John L. Bell

A Moment for Children  
from Exodus 3

Lindsay Lowe

A Reading from the Gospels  
from Matthew 16

Alex Lockridge

Response

HEYMONYSTRAAT



Sermon

“Divine Things”

Alex Lockridge

Response

*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

ASSAM

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

*My cross I'll carry till I see Jesus; ... no turning back, no turning back.*

*Come and go with me, we'll follow Jesus; ... no turning back, no turning back.*

- The Garo Christians of India

Prayers of the People

John Burkhart

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

*God, Our Father, You Have Led Us*

CWM RHONDDA

*God, our Father, You have led us to this moment in this place.*

*Focused here, within and 'round us, dreams and hopes unite with grace.*

*God, our Father, You have led us. Through Your Spirit lead us still.*

*Through Your Spirit lead us still.*

*God, our Father, Your Son taught us our lives lost for him are gain.*

*Help us, then, rejoice in challenge 'til our lives Your goals attain.*

*God, our Father, Your Son taught us. Through Your Spirit teach us still.*

*Though Your Spirit teach us still.*

*God, our Father, ever lead us from this moment in this place.*

*Help us see Divine potential in each challenge, in each face.*

*God, our Father, You have led us. Through Your Spirit lead us still.*

*Through Your Spirit lead us still.*

- Terry W. York

## Benediction

Alex Lockridge

*Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just,  
whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable,  
if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise,  
think on these things.  
Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen,  
and the God of peace will be with you. **Amen.***

- from Philippians 4

Gayle Majors, Organist

Carolyn Garr, soloist

Donna Davis, Ed Garr, Ann Hacker, and Elizabeth Reese, singers

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*The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in honor of*

**Glennis Hensley**

*for her birthday*

*by*

*Nancy, Courtney, and Patrick Haggerty*

*Bill, Tricia, Grace, and Kate Hensley*

*Cindy, Lars, and Clara Finneseth*