

First Baptist Church at Worship

August 9, 2020

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Greeting and Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

*After the wind, the earthquake, the fire,
let us hear what the Lord will speak.
Jesus says: Take heart, it is I; do not fear.
God's word is near – on our lips and in our hearts.
Let us worship God.*

Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
Praise him in glad adoration.
Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?
Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy works and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with his love he befriend thee.
Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him.
Let the Amen sound from his people again,
Gladly forever adore him.*

- Joachim Neander

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture
from I Kings 19

Paul Sims

Response

by David Haas



Do not be a-fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.
Come and fol-low me, I will bring you home;— I love you and you are mine.

“I will come to you in the silence; I will lift you from all your fear.

You will hear My voice; I claim you as My choice. Be still and know I am here.” REFRAIN

“I am the Word that leads all to freedom; I am the peace the world cannot give.

I will call your name, embracing all your pain. Stand up, now walk and live!” REFRAIN

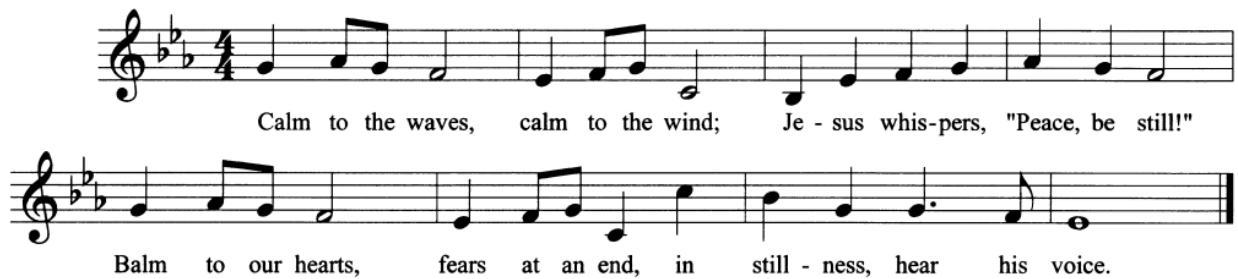
A Reading from the Gospels

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from Matthew 14

Response

by William Rowan



Calm to the waves, calm to the wind; Je - sus whis-pers, "Peace, be still!"
Balm to our hearts, fears at an end, in still - ness, hear his voice.

- Mary Louise Bringle

Sermon

“The Sound of (Sheer) Silence”

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Hymn

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

REST

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways;

Reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives Thy service find,

In deeper reverence, praise.

Drop Thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease;

Take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess

The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm;

Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,

O still, small voice of calm!

In simple trust like theirs who heard beside the Syrian sea

The gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word

Rise up and follow Thee.

- John Greenleaf Whittier

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

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

SHOWALTER

*What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.
Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.
What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.*

- Elisha A. Hoffman

Benediction

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Gayle Majors, Organist
Carolyn Garr, soloist