

First Baptist Church at Worship

November 3, 2019

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

ALL SAINTS

Assemble in God's Name

Greeting

Phil Majors

Organ Voluntary

For All the Saints

setting by Wilbur Held

Call to Worship

Jefferson Calico

Giving thanks for all the saints who from their labors rest,

we gather to worship God, who loves beyond life or death.

With the cloud of witnesses, by the grace of Christ, and in the presence of the Spirit,

let us worship God.

+Hymn 567

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

+Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

... enlighten us to Your presence and wash us in Your mercy. Amen.

+Act of Praise

LINSTEAD



Raise your voic - es high, praise and mag - ni-fy, all you works of God bless the Lord!

All you works of God, bless the Lord! All you angels, now bless the Lord;

*Come, you heavens and powers that be, praise the Lord and his majesty: **REFRAIN***

Hills and mountains, now sing God's worth, all you green things that grow on earth,

*Seas and rivers, you springs and wells, beasts and cattle, you birds and whales: **REFRAIN***

Come, humanity, sing along, sing, you people of God, a song,

*All God's servants, your Lord now bless, join you spirits and souls at rest: **REFRAIN***

- Stephen Starke

Proclaim God's Word

Children's Sermon

Jefferson Calico

A Reading from the Epistles: Ephesians 1:11-23

Phil Majors

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.

In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.

God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.

And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+Psalm 149

LYONS

Give praise to the Lord, and sing a new song;

Amid all the saints God's praises prolong;

A song to your Maker and Ruler now raise,

All children of Zion: rejoice and give praise.

In glory exult, you saints of the Lord;

With songs in the night high praises accord.

Go forth in God's service, be strong in God's might

To conquer all evil and stand for the right.

For this is God's word: the saints shall not fail,

But over the earth their faith shall prevail.

All kingdoms and nations shall yield to their word;

Thus God shows great glory, sing praise to the Lord!

- The Psalter, 1912

A Reading from the Gospels: Luke 6:20-31

Paul Sims

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

“Faith and the Future Tense”

Jefferson Calico

Give Thanks to God

Hymn

There's a Land that Is Fairer than Day SWEET BY AND BY

In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore;

In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore.

- Sanford Bennett

Litany of Thanksgiving

Phil Majors

God of the ages, we praise You for all Your servants

who have done justice, loved mercy, and walked humbly with their God.

For apostles and martyrs and saints of every time and place,

who in life and death have witnessed to Your truth,

we praise You, O God.

For those we have known and loved – for teachers and colleagues and friends,

for parents and children, husbands and wives, brothers and sisters –

all who by their faithful obedience and steadfast hope

have lived for the praise of Your glory,

we praise You, O God.

Keep us grateful for their witness, and like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ.

Then at last, bring us together to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

Amen and amen.

The Remembrance of the Saints

Paul Sims

Don Ashley

Byron Callebs

Orita Fletcher

Agnes Young

Janette Bowling

Tom Davis

Ann Vermillion

+Hymn 565

God of Past, Who by Your Spirit

HYFRYDOL

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.

+Offertory Prayer

Katie House

Loose change received in November will benefit First Baptist Church's Benevolence Ministry

Offertory Anthem

We Are Surrounded

by Joseph Martin

*We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,
Looking on, encouraging us to do the will of the Lord!*

*We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,
Let us stand worthy and be faithful to God's call.*

*We must not grow weary doing what is right;
As we run with joy the race, we must run with all our might.
We must lay all earthly things aside that would hold us down.
We must claim the victory if we would win the crown.*

- J. Paul Williams; from Hebrews 12

+Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Go in God's Name

+The Peace

Phil Majors

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

+Hymn 562

Soon and Very Soon

SOON AND VERY SOON

+Commission and Blessing

Jefferson Calico

Organ Postlude

Fanfare on SINE NOMINE

by John West

+all who are able may stand

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Gayle Majors, Organist

Ann Hacker, Pianist

Carolyn Garr, soloist

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