

First Baptist Church at Worship

June 18, 2023
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

A Summer in Rome

Gathering

Piano Voluntary *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* arr. by A.L. Page
*Bright youth and snow-crowned age, both men and women,
raise on high your free, exulting song; declare God's wondrous praise.*

Greeting and Call to Worship Alex Lockridge
*Call on the name of God.
God hears our voice and listens to our longings.
Even when times are hard,
There is hope in our God.
Let us worship the who God who inspires and calls us to live creatively.*

+Hymn 48 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* FAITHFULNESS

+Affirmation of Faith Lucas Tremaine
*Let us say what we believe:
When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, God saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to God's mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit God poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.*

- from Titus 3

The Baptism of Alex Tremaine Jeremiah Banks

The Peace Alex Lockridge
*The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.*

Choral Response *Shall We Gather at the River?* setting by John Carter
*Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.*

Proclaiming

A Reading from the Letters to the Churches Romans 5:1-8		Carolyn Garr
A Moment for Children		Hannah Reeder
+Hymn 186	<i>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i>	HAMBURG
A Reading from the Gospels Matthew 9:35-10:14		Glennis Hensley
Sermon	"Choosing to Suffer"	Alex Lockridge

Responding

+Hymn of Response	<i>Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling</i>	HOLY MANNA
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*Hark, the voice of Jesus calling, "Who will go and work today?
Fields are white, and harvests waiting, who will bear the sheaves away?"
Loud and long the Master calls us, rich reward He offers free;
Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me?"
If you cannot cross the ocean, and the distant lands explore,
you can find the lost around you, you can help them at your door;
If you cannot give your thousands, you can give the widow's mite;
What you truly give for Jesus will be precious in His sight.
Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do,"
While the lost of earth are dying, and the Master calls for you;
Take the task He gives you gladly; let His work your pleasure be;
Answer quickly when He calls you, "Here am I, send me, send me."*

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.

+Offertory Prayer		Alice Tremaine
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Loose change received in June will benefit Extreme Build, a ministry of CBF Kentucky.

Offertory	<i>God of Wonders</i> VBS Kids Choir Lucas Tremaine, soloist/Todd Tremaine, guitarist	by Third Day
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Remembering Our Past		Brenda Jones
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Prayers of the People		Jeremiah Banks
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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.

+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.*

Sending

+Sending Hymn

We All Are One in Mission

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*We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission compels us from above
To plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.
We all are called for service to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are different, our purpose is the same:
To touch the lives of others by God's surprising grace
So every land and nation may feel God's warm embrace.
Now let us be united and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming word.
We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.*

+Commission and Blessing

Jeremiah Banks and Alex Lockridge

*Go out into the world and proclaim the good news of the nearness of God;
Call all who will hear to wholeness, to life, to holiness.
And may God pour love into your hearts;
May Christ Jesus open the way of grace to you;
And may the Holy Spirit build you up in endurance, character, and hope. Amen.*

Postlude

God of Wonders

by Third Day

*God of wonders beyond our galaxy; you are holy, holy.
The universe declares Your majesty; you are holy, holy.
Lord of heaven and earth, Lord of heaven and earth.*

+all who are able may stand

leading in worship today

Rev. Jeremiah Banks
Associate Pastor of Spiritual Formation

Carolyn Garr
choral director

Samuel Garr
accompanist

Glennis Hensley
reader

Brenda Jones
reader

Rev. Alex Lockridge
Senior Pastor

Hannah Reeder
Student.Church Intern

Rev. Alice Tremaine
Deacon

Lucas Tremaine
reader

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The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in honor of our parents and grandparents,

Glenn and Frankie Sasser
for their anniversary on June 18th

by

Kim, Bob, Rachel & Robbie Croley

Janne Bean

Alexis, Cody & Clara Katherine Jacobson

Glenn II, Julie, Lily & Luke Sasser

Today's organ music is from a library of more than 1,000 digitized hymns, anthems, and solo-organ music that Gayle Majors recorded over the last several years. We are thankful for Gayle's life, for her 36-year tenure as Organist for First Baptist Church, and for this fine legacy that she has left for us.

*supplemental organ music by William P. Young, III