

First Baptist Church at Worship

February 11, 2018
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Transfiguration of the Lord

... for it is not ourselves that we preach; we preach Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. The God who said, "Out of darkness the light shall shine!" is the same God who made light shine in our hearts, to bring us the knowledge of God's glory shining in the face of Christ.

– II Corinthians 4:5-6

Gathering

Greeting

Austin Carty

Gathering Song

by Bernadette Farrell



*Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to You.
Make us Your own, Your holy people, light for the world to see. **REFRAIN**
Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us. Make us Your living voice. **REFRAIN**
Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another, making Your kingdom come. **REFRAIN***

Call to Worship

Olivia Gregory

*On mountaintops and in valleys,
the glory of God surrounds us.
In whispers and in shouts,
the glory of God calls to us.
In the presence of family and friends,
the glory of God shines in our hearts.*

+Hymn 161

See Our Lord in All His Glory

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+Prayer of the Day

Austin Carty

... so that we may hear Your voice and follow Your holy way. Amen.

+The Peace

Paul Sims

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

+Response

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

May God forever be our peace; may hymns of glory never cease:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let all the faithful people come; sing praise to God, the Three-in-One:

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- David Gambrell

The Service of the Word

Children's Sermon

Alex Lockridge

A Reading from Hebrew Scripture: II Kings 2:1-12

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 50

setting by Hal Hopson



O Lord, You have the words of life; O teach me Your ways.

The Almighty One, God the Lord, speaks and calls to the whole earth from east to west.

No longer does God keep silent; God shines from Zion, the beautiful city.

Before the Lord is a raging fire and a furious storm.

All earth and heaven are summoned as witnesses. God says:

Gather before me, my people who made covenant with me by sacrifice.

I, your judge, indict you, Israel.

You despise my guidance, you reject my commands.

Instead of sacrifice, give thanks; when you are in trouble, call on me

and I will save you; then offer your praise. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Gospels: Mark 9:2-8

Lindsay Lowe

The Gospel of our Lord

Thanks be to God

+Hymn 159

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADERS' HYMN

Sermon

“Stay Here; for the Lord Has Sent Me”

Alex Lockridge

The Service of Dedication

The Laying on of Hands

Austin Carty

A Blessing from Scripture

Paul Sims

For this reason I fall on my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth receives its true name. I ask God from the wealth of God's glory to give you power through the Spirit to be strong in your inner selves, and I pray that Christ will make his home in your hearts through faith. I pray that you may have your roots and foundation in love, so that you, together with all God's people, may have the power to understand how broad and long, how high and deep, is Christ's love. Yes, may you come to know Christ's love—although it can never be fully known—and so be completely filled with the very nature of God.

To the One who by means of the power working in us is able to do so much more than we can ever ask for, or even think of: to God be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus for all time, forever and ever! Amen.

- from Ephesians 3

+Response

LORD, BE GLORIFIED



In our song, Lord, In Your church, Lord, In Your world, Lord,

- Bob Kilpatrick

+Offertory Prayer

Casie McBurney

Loose change received in February will benefit our church's Cold Weather Ministries.

Offertory Anthem

Christ Is the World's Light

by K. Lee Scott

The Sanctuary Choir and the congregation

Christ is the world's Light, Christ and none other;

Born in our darkness, he became our brother –

If we have seen him, we have seen the Father: Glory to God on high!

Christ is the world's Peace, Christ and none other;

No one can serve him, and despise another.

Who else unites us, one in God the Father? Glory to God on high!

Christ is the world's Life, Christ and none other;

Sold once for silver, murdered here, our brother –

He, who redeems us, reigns with God the Father: Glory to God on high!

the congregation is invited to stand and sing:

Give God the glo - ry, God — and none oth - er; give God the
glo - ry, Spir - it, Son, and Fa - ther; give God the glo - ry,
God with us our Broth - er: Glo - ry — to — God on high!

- Fred Pratt Green

Sending

+Commission and Blessing

Alex Lockridge

Organ Postlude

Wonder

setting by Gordon Young

With Peter, James and John, how our eyes with wonder gleam;

The veil o'er Christ's true nature now parts in glory's beams.

Our hearts leap up with gladness; we fall upon our knees,

And God's voice rings from heaven, "With you I am well pleased."

- Phil Majors

+all who are able may stand

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