

First Baptist Church at Worship

The First Sunday in Lent

March 6, 2022
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Organ Voluntary

*Nun bitten wir**

by Dietrich Buxtehude

Greeting and Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.*

And also with you.

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In the wilderness of life, we have hope:

We live by the word of the Lord.

In the face of temptation, we proclaim:

We worship the Lord our God, and God alone.

Hymn 418

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

EIN' FESTE BURG

Confession of Sin

Paul Sims

As Lent unfolds before us, great God, we see how far we have to go to Jerusalem. The road is long, our sins are many, and our burdens are heavy. We cannot imagine new life, Easter life, because our current lives are filled with bad choices and failed efforts. Meet us in our weakness. Take up our sins. Ease our burdens. Carry us on the way. Bring us to Jerusalem, at last. Show us a love that is stronger than death, a love no tomb can hold.

Assurance of Forgiveness

by Hal H. Hopson



The musical notation consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are: We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

Proclaiming

A Moment for Children

Lindsay Lowe

Psalm 91

by Michael Joncas

And God will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun and hold you in the palm of his hand.

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in his shadow for life,

Say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!" **REFRAIN**

For to his angels he's given a command to guard you in all of your ways;

Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone. **REFRAIN**

A Reading from the Letters to the Churches

Alex Lockridge

Romans 10:9 -13

Hymn 500

Just As I Am

WOODWORTH

stanzas 1, 2, 5, and 6

A Reading from the Gospels

Paul Sims

Luke 4:1-13

Sermon

"Missing the Point – The Long Journey"

Alex Lockridge

Responding

Hymn

O Christ, You Walked the Road

TERRA PATRIS

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.

O Christ, You walked the road our wandering feet must go.

You faced with us temptation's power and fought our ancient foe.

No bread of earth alone can fill our hungering hearts.

Lord, help us seek your living Word, the food Your grace imparts.

O Christ, You walked the road our wandering feet must go.

Help us to face temptation's power and fight our ancient foe.

When lures of easy gain with promise brightly shine,

Lord, help us seek Your kingdom first; our wills with Yours align.

O Christ, You walked the road our wandering feet must go.

Stay with us through temptation's hour to fight our ancient foe.

No blinding sign we ask, no wonder from above.

Lord, help us place our trust alone in Your unswerving love.

- Herman Stuempfle

Offertory Prayer

J. Bill Sosh

Offertory

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

LONESOME VALLEY

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself;

O, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself.

Jesus died on Calvary's mountain; he died alone for you and me.

O, nobody else could bear such sorrow; he died alone for you and me.

Jesus rose from death's dark prison; he lives again for you and me.

O, nobody else could bring salvation; he is alive to set us free.

- Jack Schrader, alt.

Prayers of the People

Alex Lockridge

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

Hymn 169

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN

Commission and Blessing

Alex Lockridge and Paul Sims

Go now, confessing Christ as Lord in word and deed.

Worship and serve the Lord your God – and no other.

Stand firm in the time of trial, tell the story of God's goodness,

and trust in the Lord, whose saving word is with you always.

And may God instruct angels to guard you,

may Christ Jesus be your refuge and stronghold,

and may the Holy Spirit go with you, this day and every day. Amen.

Organ Postlude

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

setting by Robert Hobby

Carolyn Garr, cantor

The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given
in commemoration of Damon Hodges' birthday

by
Peggy Harris Hodges

and

in commemoration of Gayle Majors' birthday

by
Phil Majors

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*supplemental organ music by William P. Young, III