

First Baptist Church at Worship

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

July 10, 2022

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Organ Voluntary

Prelude on NYLAND

setting by Marianne Bahmann

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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People of God, what are we here to do?

*To love the Lord our God with heart and soul
and mind and strength.*

People of God, what are we here to do?

To love our neighbors as ourselves.

Then let us worship God.

+Hymn

Lord, We Celebrate Your Presence

*HYFRYDOL

(written in 1995 for our church's centennial celebration)

Lord, we celebrate Your presence; Christ, our Light, our Truth, our Way.

God, Who calls us to remember, lead us on new paths, we pray.

Blend our voices, tune our praises, Alleluia! Glory divine!

Different gifts, but one the journey; bind us with Your love sublime.

Let Your light of love shine thro' us like the dawn breaks through the night.

Give us eyes to see each other born as children of the Light.

As Your hands: embrace the lonely, lift the broken, fill the need.

Move our hearts with great compassion, help us live as mercy freed.

Lord, accept our lives as vessels, guide us as we seek Your truth.

Cleanse us with unbounded mercy, live in us, as we in You.

Use us, Lord, to spread Your message; send us, filled with wind and flame.

Many hands, but one in vision we would glorify Your name.

- Lynne Robinson

+Confession of Sin

Jeremiah Banks

Gracious God, Jesus has told us that our lives are enriched by loving You and loving our neighbors. We confess that love is hard for us. We are too selfish or too pessimistic, too hollow or too hardened, or just too tired to give ourselves to love's demands. So we make excuses, take shortcuts, and seek our own pleasure. Now we find ourselves far away from abundant life. Help us make our way back to You. Forgive our sins and direct our hearts that we may find the strength to meet love's demands and the grace to receive love's gifts.

+Act of Praise

Jamaican folk song



Raise your voices high, praise and magnify, all your works of God bless the Lord!

All your 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 your spirits and souls at rest: REFRAIN

- Stephen Starke

Proclaiming

A Moment for Children

Jeremiah Banks

Psalm 25

setting by Hal Hopson



To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

Make me know Your ways, O Lord; teach me Your paths.

Guide me in Your truth, for You are my God and Savior.

All day long I hope in You because You are my God.

Your mercy and love are sure, as old as time itself. REFRAIN

Do not remember the sins of my youth; in Your love remember me.

The Lord is upright and good; God shows the path to those who stray.

God leads the humble on the right path and teaches the oppressed the way.

All God's ways are love and truth for those who keep God's word. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Gospels

Alex Lockridge

Luke 10:25-37

+Hymn 662

The Mission God Has Given

NYLAND

A Reading from the Letters to the Churches
Colossians 1:1-14

Paul Sims

Sermon

“Building Community”

Alex Lockridge

Responding

+Hymn 488

Come, All Christians, Be Committed

*BEACH SPRING

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

Kaitlyn Lunsford

Loose change received in July will benefit our Vacation Bible School mission project.

Offertory Anthem

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

setting by Cindy Johnson

The Summer Choir

*Jesus, Jesu, fill us with Your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from You.
Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who pours out himself for them.
Jesus, Jesu, fill us with Your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from You.
Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white, neighbors are near and far away.
These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love, all are neighbors to us and You.
Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet, this is the way we should live with You.
Jesus, Jesu, fill us with Your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from You.*

- Ghanaian folk song

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

+The Peace

Alex Lockridge

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

+Sending Song

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

by Wendell Whalum

The image shows three staves of musical notation in 4/4 time, key of D major. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff starts with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written on a single staff. The lyrics are: "I'm gon-na live so _____ God can use me _____ an-y - where, Lord,". The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: "an - y time! _____ I'm gon-na live so _____ God can use me _____". The third staff concludes the melody with lyrics: "an - y - where, Lord, _____ an - y time! _____".

I'm gonna work I'm gonna pray I'm gonna sing

- African-American spiritual

Commission and Blessing

Alex Lockridge and Paul Sims

*Go now and live lives worthy of the Lord.
Love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength.
Put love into action for others, just as you would for yourselves.
And may God's glorious power make you strong,
may Christ Jesus fill you with wisdom and understanding,
and may the Holy Spirit be with you, this day and every day. Amen.*

Organ Postlude

Voluntary on HYFRYDOL

setting by Anna Laura Page

+all who are able may stand

Carolyn Garr, cantor

*The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in memory of
Pauline Burgan, Debbie Gambrel, and Curt Burgan*

by

Malcolm and Sharon Pace

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