

First Baptist Church at Worship

May 22, 2022
Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Assemble in God's Name

Organ Voluntary

*Prelude on ST. COLUMBA**

by Raymond H. Haan

*Put peace into each other's hands and like a treasure hold it;
Protect is like a candle flame, with tenderness enfold it.
Put peace into each other's hands with loving expectation;
Be gentle in your words and ways, in touch with God's creation.
Put Christ into each other's hands, he is love's deepest measure;
In love make peace, give peace a chance and share it like a treasure.*

- Fred Kaan

Greeting and Call to Worship

Alex Lockridge

*Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
This is the day the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

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*God's goodness is breaking into the world,
even when we do not expect the Spirit's movement.
We witness this in-breaking as healing, wholeness, and peace.
Let all the peoples praise the Lord. Alleluia! Amen!*

+Hymn 285

stanzas 1, 2, and 3

God of Grace and God of Glory

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+Confession of Sin

Jeremiah Banks

*We are a people in need of God's vision,
praying for our eyes to be opened.
We are a people in need of God's reversal,
praying for our hearts to be softened.
We are a people in need of God's reconciliation,
praying that our faces might be illumined by God's presence.
Let us claim our need of God as we confess our sin.*

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*In Jesus Christ, you are restored to wholeness.
Thanks be to our God forever and ever. Amen.*

+Easter Alleluia

by Finton O'Carroll



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
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Proclaim God's Word

A Moment for Children

Jeremiah Banks

+Psalm 67

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*God of mercy, God of grace, show the brightness of Your face.
Shine upon us, Savior, shine; fill Your world with light divine;
All Your saving health extend unto earth's remotest end.
Let the people praise You, Lord; be by all that live adored.
Let the nations shout and sing glory to their gracious King;
At Your feet their tribute pay, and Your holy will obey.
Let the people praise You, Lord; earth shall then its fruits afford.
Unto us Your blessing give; we to You devoted live,
All below and all above, one in joy and light and love.*

- Henry F. Lyte, alt.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Alex Lockridge

Acts 16:9-15

The Easter Gospel

Carolyn Garr

“Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.”

- John 14:22-29

+Hymn 290

Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace

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Sermon

Alex Lockridge

“Seeing the Point – The Prevailing Power of Peace”

Give Thanks to God

+Hymn 481

Go to the World!

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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

Jeremiah Banks

Offertory Anthem

Christ Is the World's Light

by K. Lee Scott

The Sanctuary Choir

*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!*

Give God the glory, God and none other; give God the glory, Spirit, Son, and Father;

Give God the glory, God with us our Brother: Glory to God on high!

- Fred Pratt Green

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 for Easter

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Praise God from whom all grace flows forth!

Praise Life, all creatures here on earth! Alleluia, alleluia.

Praise Light who guides us on our way!

Praise Love who forms us day by day! Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Go in God's Name

+The Peace

Alex Lockridge

The peace of the risen Christ be with you.

And also with you.

+Hymn 620

Because He Lives

RESURRECTION

+Commission and Blessing

Jeremiah Banks and Alex Lockridge

*As you go, remember that you have been claimed by Jesus, the Good Shepherd,
who came that we may have abundant life.*

*Day by day, may you receive God's goodness and mercy,
so that your life will overflow with God's generosity. Amen.*

Organ Postlude

God of Grace and God of Glory

by Anna Laura Page

+all who are able may stand

*The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in memory of
my parents*

Cecil and T. P. Harris

and

my husband

Damon Hodges

by

Peggy Harris Hodges

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