

First Baptist Church at Worship

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 25, 2022

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

Gathering

Organ Voluntary

*Fairest Lord Jesus**

setting by Dale Wood

*Beautiful Savior, Lord of all nations, Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine!*

- Richard Storrs Willis

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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Jesus Christ is King of kings and Lord of lords.

Jesus Christ, who rules over all things, gathers us in love.

Jesus Christ is King of kings and Lord of lords.

Let us offer our praise and thanksgiving!

+Hymn

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

*LYONS

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name;

The name all victorious of Jesus extol, his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save, and still he is nigh; his presence we have;

The great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

“Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!” Let all cry aloud and honor the Son;

The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give him his right: all glory and power, all wisdom and might,

All honor and blessing with angels above, and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love!

- Charles Wesley

+Confession of Sin

Paul Sims

Gracious God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment, we confess that we easily set our hopes on uncertain riches, harmful desires, and senseless things. Failing to pursue godliness and discounting the gift of contentment, we soon wander from the ways of faithful obedience and neglect those with whom we might share Your plentiful gifts. Forgive us, O God, and inspire us anew to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, that in storing up eternal treasure and building on a good foundation for the future, we may take hold of the life that really is life,

for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ, the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. Amen.

+ Act of Praise

HE IS KING

He is King of kings; he is Lord of lords,
 Je - sus Christ, the first and last, — no one works like him.

He built his throne up in the air; and called his saints from everywhere. REFRAIN

He pitched his tents on Canaan ground; and broke oppressive kingdoms down. REFRAIN

I know that my Redeemer lives; and by his love sweet blessing gives. REFRAIN

- African American spiritual

Proclaiming

A Moment for Children

Jeremiah Banks

Psalms 146

setting by Mason Martens

Come, O Lord, and save _____ us

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,

whose hope is in the Lord their God,

who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them,

who keeps promises forever,

who gives justice to those who are oppressed and food to those who hunger.

The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;

the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down. REFRAIN

The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger;

God sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The Lord shall reign forever,

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. REFRAIN

A Reading from the Letters to the Churches

Alex Lockridge

I Timothy 6:6-19

+Hymn 223

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

A Reading from the Gospels

Jeremiah Banks

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham.

+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.*

+Hymn 622

He Lives

ACKLEY

+Commission and Blessing Jeremiah Banks, Alex Lockridge, and Paul Sims

*Go from this place and take hold of the life that really is life.
Shun the eagerness for money, but be rich in good works.
Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness.
And may God be your refuge and fortress,
may Christ Jesus free you from all that ensnares you,
and may the Holy Spirit be with you, this day and every day. Amen.*

Organ Postlude

God of Grace and God of Glory

setting by Anna Laura Page

+all who are able may stand

*The flowers that grace our sanctuary are given in memory of
Edmond and Edith Wyatt
Ray Tipton
Coy B. and Opal Lee Hammons
by
Lauren Rae and Vance Rose*

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