



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, March 18th, 2018
Fifth Sunday in Lent

**Indicates congregation is invited to stand as able*

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: O God, today again let your Spirit come with conviction and cleansing. Wash us with the pure water of repentance. Turn our faces to Christ in true faith. Keep us from putting any confidence in the flesh. Give us hearts of obedience and love, and a deep desire to know Christ in all his fullness. Amen!

Music for Gathering

Mark Anderson
JuBELLation

Opportunities for Life and Service

John Nelson

*The Introit “Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights”
(Tune: Winchester New)

**Throughout these Lenten days and nights we turn to walk the inward way,
Where, meeting Christ, our guide and light, we live in hope till Easter Day.**

**So let us choose the path of One who wore for us the crown of thorn,
And slept in death that we might wake to life on Resurrection Morn.**

*Call to Worship and Prayer

Joel Russell-MacLean

*Welcome

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Welcoming One Another

We Approach God

*Hymn of Reflection “Here I Am to Worship”

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes, let me see.

Beauty that made this heart adore you, hope of a life spent with you.

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,

Here I am to say that you're my God.

You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

Here I am to worship.

Confession of Sin
Assurance of Pardon

Joel Russell-MacLean

*Hymn of Praise “Glorious is Thy Name”

#88, v.1, 3

The children are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn and are invited downstairs following their blessing for their own service.

Children's Blessing

Joel Russell-MacLean

Gift of Music

JuBELLation

We Listen to God

Scripture Reader

Miriam Malik

Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 9.11-15

(N.T. pg. 223)

Responsorial Reading: Psalm 143

Leader: The Lord reigns, he is robed in majesty;

All: The Lord is robed in majesty and is armed with strength.

Leader: The world is firmly established; it cannot be moved.

Choir: Your throne was established long ago; you are from all eternity.

Leader: The seas have lifted up their voice, O Lord.

All: The seas have lifted up their pounding waves.

Leader: Mightier than the thunder of the great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea -
(Cont'd, see over.)

Choir: *Lift high the name of the Lord, for he is mighty.*

Leader: Your statutes stand firm; holiness adorns your house for endless days. Blessed be your name!

All: **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forever and ever. Amen.**

Choral Response

“Blessed Be the Name”

#103

**All praise to him who reigns above in majesty supreme,
Who gave his Son for all to die, that he might all redeem.**

(Blessed be the name) 2x, blessed be the name of the Lord. (Repeat)

*Gospel Lesson: John 8.43-59

(N.T. pg. 102)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn of Hope

“Lift High the Name of Jesus” By Keith & Kristyn Getty

**Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus, our King.
Make known the power of his grace, the beauty of his peace.
Remember how his mercy reached as we cried out to him.
He lifted us to solid ground, to freedom from our sin.**

**(Refrain:) O sing, my soul, and tell all he’s done,
Till the earth and heavens are filled with his glory.**

**Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Lord.
His pow’r in us is greater than, is greater than this world;
To share the reason for our hope; to serve with love and grace;
That all who see him shine through us might bring the Father praise.**

(Refrain)

**Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus, our Light.
No other name on earth can save, can raise our soul to life.
He opens up our eyes to see the harvest he has grown.
We labor in his fields of grace as he leads sinners home.**

(Refrain)

Gift of Music “Alas, and Did My Saviour Bleed?” (arr. Molly James) Christa Walsh

Sermon “A Loud Silence” John Nelson

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Assurance “Just As I Am” #342, v.1, 3, 5.

Prayers of the People John Hillmer

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Gifts & Offerings “How Beautiful” Sanctuary Choir

*Response of Praise “Lamb of God” (by Twila Paris)

**Your only son no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side,
To walk upon this guilty sod and to become the Lamb of God.**

**O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God! I love the holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in his precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.**

*Unison Benediction

**And now, as we GO from this place of worship,
We GO with the POWER of the Holy Spirit,
We GO with the WORD of God dwelling in us richly,
We GO with the LOVE for one another which Christ commands.
We GO into the world with the JOY of the Holy Spirit,
We GO in PEACE, trusting in the great I AM!
We GO....Praise God from whom all blessings flow!**

Music for Departing “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” (arr. Lloyd Larson)

Christa Walsh

Deacon on Duty:

Brenda Ziolkowski

Anyone desiring prayer is invited to come to the front of the sanctuary on the right hand side. One of our deacons will be there to listen and to pray with you.

**AGM today in the lower hall following morning worship.
Everyone is encouraged to attend.**

Holy Week Services, March 25th - April 1st

Easter Alleluia 7 p.m. March 25th

An Easter service full of readings and music with soloists, bells, and choirs. Invite your friends!

Maundy Thursday 7 p.m.

We reflect on events and the lessons from the night Jesus was betrayed in this subdued but beautiful a cappella worship service.

Good Friday 10:30 a.m. Westhill Park Church, 8025 Sherwood Park Dr.

We come to the cross itself. It is tempting to skip right to Easter, but the cross is central to our faith. Our Area Minister Mark Doerkson will be preaching. This is a joint worship service with Regina's Canadian Baptist churches.

The Good Friday choir would be grateful for more support if you could help. Please come to the rehearsal at Westhill at 9:30 a.m if you can help lead during this meaningful worship service.

Easter Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m.

A joyful service with scripture and song held outdoors at Wascana Marina followed by a full, warm breakfast back at the church. Every year, this is a special time together for all ages.

Easter Morning 11 a.m.

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! From the Easter greeting to the Hallelujah chorus, this joyful celebration of God's victory is the high point in our calendar year as a Christian congregation. Consider bringing a friend to this incredible service and the children's Easter egg hunt which follows.

Sermon Notes



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