



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, March 25th, 2018
Palm Sunday - Sixth Sunday in Lent

**Indicates congregation is invited to stand as able*

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: Almighty God, you have authority over all that is and all that will be; you sent Jesus to establish your government within creation without resorting to force: help us to surrender to your loving command in all things, and to emulate Jesus' trust and humility in all our own responsibilities. In his name we pray. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Mark Anderson
JuBELLation

Opportunities for Life and Service

Joel Russell-MacLean

*The Introit "With Waving Palms and Shouts of Praise"
(tune- Ellacombe, #59)

**Hosanna, blest is he who comes, the son of David's tree,
The promised one who came to save and set his people free.
The crowd that followed sang his praise as they proclaimed him King.
May we, with spirit and with mind, our anthems gladly sing.**

*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

John Nelson

*Hymn of Praise “Blessed Be Your Name”

Matt Redman

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

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where your streams of abundance flow, blessed be your name.
Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name.

(Chorus)

Every blessing you pour out, I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name;
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name.

Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's 'all as it should be', blessed be your name.
Blessed be your name, on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name.

(Chorus)

Children's Blessing

We Listen to God

Scripture Reader

Reade Holtslander

Epistle Lesson: Philippians 2.5-11

(N.T. pg. 197)

Responsorial Reading: Psalm 22

Leader: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Choir: My God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.

All: In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them.

Leader: But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people. All who see me mock at me;

Choir: “Commit your cause to the Lord; let him deliver - let him rescue the one in whom he delights!”

All: Yet it was you who took me from the womb; and since my mother bore me you have been my God.

Leader: I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;

Choir: For dogs are all around me; a company of evildoers encircles me. They divide my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.

All: But you, O Lord, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid! Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Gift of Music

“Lamb of God”

Sanctuary Choir

*Gospel Lesson: Matthew 21.1-17

(N.T. pg. 23)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn of Approach

“All Glory, Laud and Honour”

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Sermon

“The Courage of Jesus”

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

“Ride On, Ride On In Majesty”

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hear all the tribes hosanna cry;
O Saviour meek, your road pursue,
With palms and scattered garments strewn.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, your triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! The hosts of angels in the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow your meek head to mortal pain;
Then take, O Christ, your power and reign.

Prayers of the People

Joel Russell-MacLean

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

JuBELLation

*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.

*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” James Pethel Mark Anderson

Deacon on Duty:

Eleanor Russell

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.

“A Time For Friends”: Everyone is invited to the lower hall for refreshments following the service.

Scripture readings for April 1st: Colossians 3.1-11, John 20.1-10.

Holy Week Services, March 25th - April 1st

Easter Alleluia 7 p.m. Tonight!

The Easter Journey: An Easter service full of readings and music with soloists, bells, and choirs.

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. Rev. Ryan Emmons 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



First Baptist Church Office hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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