



# First Baptist Church

*A Place To Belong*

## Worship Service for Sunday, March 31st, 2019 Fourth Sunday of Lent

*\*Indicates congregation is invited to stand as able*

### We Gather as God's People

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**Silent Prayer:** Father in heaven, you hate nothing you have made. You forgive the sins of all who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, so that we might lament our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, and receive from you complete remission and forgiveness; in Jesus' name. Amen. *The Book of Common Prayer*

Music for Gathering                      "Just As I Am" (Lau)                      Mark Anderson

Opportunities for Life and Service                      Joel Russell-MacLean

Morning Chimes

\*The Introit                      "Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights"  
*(Duke Street, #231)*

**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.**

**We bear the silence, cross and pain  
Of human burdens, human strife,  
While sisters, brothers help sustain  
Our courage till the Feast of Life.**

Call to Worship and Prayer                      Joel Russell-MacLean

Leader: The Lord be with you  
All:                      And also with you.

**Welcoming One Another**

## **We Approach God**

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\*Reflective Moment

“Beneath the Cross”

Keith & Kristyn Getty

**Beneath the cross of Jesus I find a place to stand,  
And wonder at such mercy that calls me as I am.  
For hands that should discard me hold wounds which tell me come.  
Beneath the cross of Jesus my unworthy soul is won.**

Confession of Sin  
Assurance of Pardon

John Nelson

\*Hymn of Praise

“God Our Father We Adore Thee”

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*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

Sanctuary Choir

## **We Listen to God**

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Scripture Reader

Louise Krueger

Epistle Lesson: Colossians 3.12-17

(N.T. pg. 201)

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 19.7-10

**Leader:** The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous.

**Choir:** *By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.*

**All:** Who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults.

**Leader:** Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me.

**All:** May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

\*Gloria Patri #623

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

\*Gospel Lesson: Luke 18.9-14

(N.T. pg. 81)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

\*Hymn of Approach

“Just As I Am”

#342, 1, 3, 5

Gift of Music

John Nelson

Sermon

“Accountable to God, Loving Toward Others”

Joel Russell-MacLean

## **We Respond to God**

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\*Hymn of Response

“At Calvary”

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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

Mark Anderson

“Via Delarosa (The Way of the Cross Leads Home)”

(Wood)

\*Reflective Response

“Give Thanks”

**Give thanks to the Lord above; give thanks to the Lord of love;  
Give thanks for he has given his begotten Son.**

**Give thanks for our answered prayers; give thanks for a God who cares;  
Give thanks because he gave us his beloved one.**

**(And now let the sick say “I am healed”, let the old say “I am new”,  
Because of what the Lord has done for us.) 2x**

**Give thanks. 2x**

\*Benediction

Music for Departing

“Lenten Meditation” (Bach)

Mark Anderson

Deacon on Duty:

Tiffany Lai

*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.

**‘Kisemanito Pakitinasuwin - The Creator’s Sacrifice’**

Please sign the guestbook at the display table and add your comments. See our March Newsletter for more information on the series of paintings on loan to us throughout the season of Lent.

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