



First Baptist Church

Worship Service for Sunday, February 18th, 2024

1st Sunday in Lent

Welcome! Young children are welcome in the service or in our staffed nursery.

The collection is taken at the doorways as you enter the sanctuary.

**Please stand as you are able whether you are participating at home or in the sanctuary.*

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: Almighty God, your blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Music for Gathering Xavier Russell-MacLean

Opportunities for Life and Service Cheryl Johnston

Morning Chimes Xavier Russell-MacLean

*The Introit "Only Our Holy God"
"Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, Rich Thompson"

**What other glory consumes like fire? What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated? Only our Holy God.**

**Who else could rescue me from my failing? Who else would offer his only Son?
Who else invites me to call him, Father? Only our Holy God.**

**Come and behold him, the One and the Only.
Cry out, sing holy, forever a Holy God. Come and worship our Holy God.**

Leader: Welcome in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The
Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Welcoming One Another

We Approach God

*Hymn of Praise

“At Calvary”

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The children are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn before going downstairs for Godly Play and Oasis.

**Years I spent in vanity and pride, caring not my Lord was crucified,
Knowing not it was for me he died on Calvary.**

(Refrain)

**Mercy there was great, and grace was free; pardon there was multiplied to me;
There my burdened soul found liberty, at Calvary.**

**By God’s word at last my sin I learned; then I trembled at the law I’d spurned,
Till my guilty soul imploring turned to Calvary. *(Refrain)***

**Now I’ve giv’n to Jesus everything, now I gladly own him as my King,
Now my raptured soul can only sing of Calvary! *(Refrain)***

God at Work in our Lives

Hymn

“Lord, You Are”

**Lord, you are, more precious than silver.
Lord, you are more costly than gold.
Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds,
And nothing I desire compares with you.**

Children’s Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

Confession of Sin

Joel Russell-MacLean

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Approach “Throughout these Lenten days and nights”

**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.**

**The pilgrim Christ, the Lamb of God, Who found in weakness greater power,
Embraces us, though lost and flawed, And leads us to his rising hour.**

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

**And though the road is hard and steep, The Spirit ever calls us on
Through Calvary’s dying, dark and deep, Until we see the coming dawn.**

**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!**

Scripture Reader

Carmen Orthner

Epistle Lesson: Colossians 3:1-4

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Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 25:1-10

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust;

All: Do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

Leader: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

All: Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

Leader: Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

All: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Leader: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!

All: Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

Leader: He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

All: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

*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: Mark 1:9-15, 8:31-34

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Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

“Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting”

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**Jesus, I am resting, resting in the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart.
Thou hast bid me gaze upon thee, as thy beauty fills my soul,
For by thy transforming power, thou hast made me whole.**

(Refrain:)

**Jesus, I am resting, resting, in the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness of thy loving heart.**

**O how great thy lovingkindness, vaster, broader than the sea!
O how marvelous thy goodness lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in thee, Beloved, know what wealth of grace is thine,
Know thy certainty of promise and have made it mine. *(Refrain)***

**Simply trusting thee, Lord Jesus, I behold thee as thou art,
And thy love, so pure, so changeless, satisfies my heart;
Satisfies its deepest longings, meets, supplies its ev'ry need,
Compasseth me round with blessings: thine is love indeed. *(Refrain)***

**Ever lift thy face upon me as I work and wait for thee;
Resting 'neath thy smile, Lord Jesus, earth's dark shadows flee.
Brightness of my Father's glory, sunshine of my Father's face,
Keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with thy grace. *(Refrain)***

Prayers of the People

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 and ever. Amen.

Our Gifts and Offerings

We Depart to Serve God

*Hymn for Departing

“Man of Sorrows”

**Sent of heaven, God's own Son, to purchase and redeem,
And reconcile the very ones, who nailed him to the tree.**

**Oh that rugged cross, my salvation, where your love poured out over me.
Now my soul cries out, Hallelujah! praise and honour unto thee.**

*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Xavier Russell-MacLean

“A Time For Friends”

Everyone is invited to the lower hall for refreshments following the service.

Parents:

Please go to meet your children in Godly Play and Nursery as they can only be dismissed into your care.



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