



"Steps Up Areopagus (Mars Hill)" by Nathan Gibbs



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 15, 2022
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
FBC SANCTUARY
11:00 A.M.

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The first duty of love is to listen.

- Paul Tillich

Gathering Music

"Jesus the King Medley"

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Cristina Adams

Prelude

"The Mountains Shall Sing (Isaiah 55:12)"

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* Call to Worship

Neal Purvis
Psalm 148

Leader: Let everything that has being praise the name of the Lord!

People: Mountains and hills, fruit trees and all cedars, shall praise the name of the Lord.

Leader: Young men and women alike, old and young together shall praise the name of the Lord.

People: We shall praise your name, O God, for your glory is above earth and heaven.

Leader: Let us worship God!

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Hymn of Praise (CONGR 223)

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"
DIADEMATA

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you!

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

If able, please text or message someone from the congregation and share with them the sign of peace.

* Eastertide Alleluia (CONGR)

"Celtic Alleluia", vs. 4

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Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

The Right Hand of God raised me up. The hand of the Lord has triumphed.

I shall never die, I shall live telling God's deeds. [Refrain]

* Gospel Reading

Neal Purvis
John 1.16-18

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

** In-person worshippers are invited to stand as able*

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer

“God Be In My Head”

John Rutter

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Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Unison Discipline of Confession

God of mercy, your command to love one another across all differences opens us to new horizons, yet we often respond with fear and judgment that hinders your goal for humanity. Forgive our sins, we pray, and give us a true repentance that leads to life for all creation.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

God's promises are trustworthy and true; your sins are forgiven. Be at peace to serve the Lord, and may you always be known by your love.

Morning Prayer and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Recognition of Graduates

Hymn of Blessing (CONGR 539 vs. 1-4)

“Lord of Our Growing Years”

SYDNOR

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

(Those wishing to attend Children's Church may leave now)

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

New Testament Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Acts 17:16-34

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

“What Would Paul Tweet?”

* Hymn of Invitation, (CONGR 368)

“We Praise You with Our Minds, O Lord”

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Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

"Let the Earth Rejoice! (I Chronicles 16:31)"

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The flowers on the altar this morning are given for the greater glory of God in honor of all graduates!

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Liturgist: Neal Purvis

Cantor & Chancel Choir director: Mark Robinson

Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen

Livestream Video Crew: Susan Pauls, Brenda Schenkel

Sound: Glenn Prescott

YouTube Chat Moderator: Jenny Purvis

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: Blessed Hope Baptist Mission

American Baptist Churches, USA; Region Exe. Min., Rev. Dr. Robin D. Stoops, serving churches in Nebraska

International Ministries Missionaries: Peter & Sarah McCurdy, serving in Mexico

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Every member of First Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry.
The following persons have been called by this congregation to empower such ministry:

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