



"The Widow Offer"
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 17, 2024
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
FBC SANCTUARY
11:00 A.M.

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I would like the angels of Heaven to be among us. I would like an abundance of peace. I would like full vessels of charity. I would like rich treasures of mercy. I would like cheerfulness to preside over all. I would like Jesus to be present.

— Brigid of Kildare

Gathering Music

A Celtic Medley:
“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”
“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Marilynn Ham. In order played: © 1987, © 1997, © 1985 Lillenas Pub. Co. Used by permission. CCLI #20126570

Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Prelude

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

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* Call to Worship

Aimee Omohundro
Psalm 127

Leader: Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.

People: Unless the Lord guards the city, the guard keeps watch in vain.

Leader: It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest.

People: We shall put our trust in the Lord who gives rest to God’s beloved.

Leader: Let us worship God!

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Hymn of Gathering (CONGR 27)

“Morning Has Broken”
BUNESSAN

* 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.

* Responding in Peace (CONGR 681)

“Christ Be Near at Either Hand”
GARTAN, alt.

Psalm Reading

Aimee Omohundro
Psalm 102.12-17

Children’s Sermon

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”
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Hearing Our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Unison Discipline of Confession

Merciful God of compassion and justice, take pity on us as we confess our sin. We are not the stewards Christ calls us to be. Riches possess us while others go hungry. We mismanage creation with our pollution and strife. Your goodness is betrayed by our lust for power. We abuse your provision for us by our selfish desires. Help us hear once again Christ’s call to be faithful, and through him forgive us as we repent of our sin and turn from it.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Remember the words of Scripture where it says, “For Christ has entered...into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf...to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself.” All who repent and eagerly await him have the assurance that their sins are forgiven.

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.

Prayer Response

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”
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RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Moment for Mission

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

“Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners”
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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

* Gospel Reading

Rev. Adam Balduff
Mark 12.38–44

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*

Sermon

Rev. Adam Balduff
"Kingdom Generosity"

* Hymn of Invitation, (CONGR 71)

"Be Thou My Vision"
SLANE

Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

"Glorious Things Of Thee Are Spoken"
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TODAY IN WORSHIP

Guest Preacher: Rev. Adam Balduff, AMOS Health and Hope
Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew Sturtevant
Liturgist: Aimee Omohundro
Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson
Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen
Guest Harpist: Yuka Naito
Flutists: Andrew Lord, Carol Watgen
Livestream Video Crew: Joanna Gillette, Brandon Gillette • Sound: Jim Lord
YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Jenny Purvis

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: St. Luke AME Church
American Baptist Churches, USA: Executive Min. Dr. Charles Revis,
servoing churches located primarily in Washington, Idaho, Montana, and Utah
International Ministries Global Servant: Shigemi Tomita, global servant in Japan

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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:

Rev. Dr. Matthew Sturtevant – matt@firstbaptistlawrence.com	Senior Pastor
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