

The First Baptist Church at Worship
4th Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2011 10:30 AM

A guide to your meditation as you listen to the prelude and prepare your minds and hearts for worship.

My friends, amidst all the voices, there is a Voice—
making us to lie down by still waters,
leading us with vision on paths of righteousness,
walking with us in the darkest valley of our living.
But we must listen and we must learn
and we must follow.
That is our hope—
and that is our calling.

- Susan Andrews "Recognizing the Voices"

The Gathering

THE PRELUDE R. Alan Kimbrough, Organist

(We gather for personal and corporate reflection and prayer.)

"Sheep May Safely Graze" J. S. Bach
Pastorale in F Major J. S. Bach

In Praise to the Lord

CHORAL INTROIT Chancel Choir

Look, Ye Saints! The Sight Is Glorious - #220

*LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #405 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
BRADBURY

This hymn is attributed to Dorothy A. Thrupp, a prolific writer of children's hymns and devotional materials. Written as a children's hymn we are reminded of Psalm 23 from a New Testament perspective of Christ being our Shepherd.

*OPENING PRAYER Rev. Jim Earnest

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #208 He Is Lord
HE IS LORD

He is Lord, He is Lord!
He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.

*WELCOME & PASSING OF PEACE Dr. Rodney Kennedy

(Please register your attendance by filling out a yellow card from the pew rack and placing it in the offering bag this morning.)

We are invited to greet our nearest neighbors, extend our hand, and greet one another in the name of Christ.

(Please be seated.)

Reading & Proclaiming God's Word

THE NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON Connie Holmen

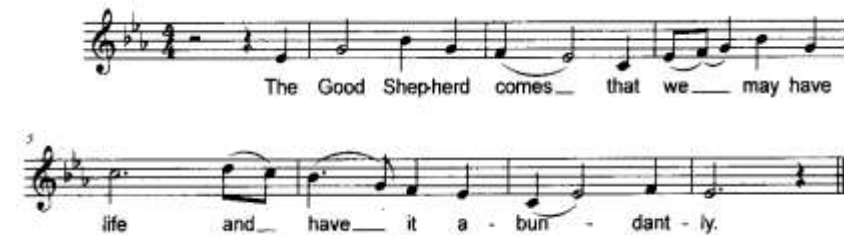
Acts 2:42-47 (NT pg. 120 in the pew Bible)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

THE RESPONSIVE PSALTER Connie Holmen, leader

Psalm 23

Musical Response: Proulx (arr. R. Landis)



Leader: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.
People: He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;
Leader: he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.
People: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff--they comfort me.
Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long. [Musical Response]

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

Come to the Water John B. Foley

THE NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON Connie Holmen

1 Peter 2:19-25 (NT pg. 233 in the pew Bible)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

*THE GOSPEL LESSON Rev. C. Roland Marcus

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to John.
People: Praise be to you, O Christ.

John 10:1-10 (NT pg. 103 in the pew Bible)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Glory be to you, O Lord.

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN #292 The Lord of Life, a Vine Is He
LATHAM

Mary Kay Beall is a native Ohioan living in Columbus. She is also ordained in the American Baptist Church. Along with her husband, composer John Carter, she is responsible for many hymns and anthems from a variety of publishers. In our fellowship hymn we are reminded of the words of John 15 and our relationship with our Lord.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Jason Alspaugh

(Children in preK-grade 4 will be led downstairs for Sunday School. Younger Children preK-K will go to Room #4 and older children grades 1-4 will go to Room #3B. Parents should pick up their children after worship service.)

CALL TO PRAYER #387 v. 1 God Who Made Us... GALILEE

God who made us, Christ who calls us,
Breath who guides us in the Way,
Hear the humble words we whisper
As we dare to bow and pray.

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Jason Alspaugh

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts and debtors)

THE SERMON Dr. Rodney Kennedy

"Who Needs a Shepherd in An Age of Terror?"

RESPONSE TO THE WORD
THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Candidates from Cross Creek Community Church
(United Church of Christ & Alliance of Baptists):
Mattea Alexander and Spencer Heiligenberg

Introduction Rev. Dr. Michael Castle

Declaration of Faith

Baptism

Welcome Dr. Rodney Kennedy

Pastor: Mattea Alexander and Spencer Heiligenberg have risen from the waters of baptism to newness of life. They have become one with the witnesses of God from all times and places. Through baptism, God promises them the gift of the Holy Spirit to nurture them all the days of their lives. Let us add our blessing and pledge our love as we welcome them into this living community of faith.

Congregation: We rejoice in God's empowering love, freely given to each and all. We welcome you, newly baptized, into the circle of love in Christ's church. We praise God for the gifts of ministry that you bring to this community. We promise to pray for you, to seek the depths of faith with you, to support you, and to love you. We covenant with you to love God with all our hearts, minds, souls and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves.

Pastor: Amen and amen.

The Response of God's People

THE OFFERTORY Debbie Lindley
The Lord's My Shepherd Brother James' Air
 arr. Anna Laura Page

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #653 v.1 *Lord, You Give ...*
BEECHER

**Lord, You give the great commission:
 "Heal the sick and preach the word."
 Lest the church neglect its mission,
 and the gospel go unheard,
 help us witness to Your purpose with renewed integrity;
 with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER Connie Holmen

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

(Persons wishing to join First Baptist Church are invited to come forward while the organist plays the first verse of the recessional hymn. You may join First Baptist Church by confession of faith, transfer of letter, or statement of faith. The pastor will greet you as you come forward this morning.)

*RECESSIONAL HYMN #241 *Sweet, Sweet Spirit*
MANNA

We know Doris Akers from one of our favorite hymns "Lead Me, Guide Me." We close this service with a reminder of the Spirit of the Living God that permeates our presence and constantly stays with us.

*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL Dr. Rodney Kennedy

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION #513 *Go Now In Peace*
EARTH AND STARS (abridged)

**Go now in peace. Worship is ending;
 service begins as you go from this place.
 Taught by God's Word, safe in God's tending,
 hold to the path that will run the good race.**

*POSTLUDE R. Alan Kimbrough
Fugue on "O Sons and Daughters" Jean Langlais



At the close of today's service, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated in the Chapel, located in the Beaver Wing. Immediately following the Lord's Supper, a Service of Healing will be held in the Chapel. The service consists of prayers for healing and wholeness, with anointing and laying on of hands. All are invited.

Prayer for the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials and temptations, give them courage to face the perils which beset them, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcome to All

- ✓ **Before Worship:** Children arriving with parents or grandparents at the 9:00 Sunday School hour may go downstairs to Room 3 for activities. A reminder to parents and grandparents: please pick up your children no later than 10:15 to give everyone enough time to prepare for worship.
- ✓ **Visiting the church today?** Here's an invitation! Please join the congregation for Coffee Fellowship immediately after the service. We hope you'll stop by the Visitor's Table, say hello, and meet a few members of First Baptist Church.
- ✓ If you are visiting, **please register your attendance** on a yellow information card and fill in any needs or concerns you might have. Members are also asked to sign the information card. Prayer concerns or event registrations may be marked on these cards.
- ✓ **Childcare** for infants through two years of age is available during worship and church school and is located in the West hallway. For your peace of mind, our nursery is equipped with a call-system that allows nursery caregivers to page our ushers should there be a need to contact the parents of an infant or toddler.
- ✓ All children are invited to come forward for the **Children's Message**. Following the message the children will be led downstairs for **Sunday School**. Young children (preK-K) will go to Room #4 and children (grades 1-4) will go to Room #3B. Parents should pick up their children after worship service. If you have questions or comments, please speak with Rev. Jason Alspaugh.

Prayers of the People

Barbara Babb	David Hoffman	Dawn Smelser
Ruth Balas	Joyce Johnson	Marion Stoner
Margaret Barker	Wilma Landis	Peter Thomson
Charles Blake	Jennifer Loxley	Nickie Van Hoose
Estie Clark	Patty Loxley	Evelyn Weaver
Andy Collier	Giovanna McQuillen	Military Duty:
Lisa Collier	Marilyn Sue Miller	Michael Coggins
Jack Coggins	Robert Paloncy	Brittany Kalbfleisch
Mary Coyer	Phyllis Pfersich	Jeffrey Kennedy
Louella Fenner	Cliff Rhodes	Derrick McClain
Carrie Louese Ganger	Don Rosenbeck	Bryan Venys
Jane Halliday	Brian Sharp	Chris West
Grace Hobart	Dawn Shirley	

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Week of May 15 – 22

Sun. 15	9:00a	.....	Sunday School
	10:30a	.....	Worship Service
	11:45a	.....	Chapel Communion/Healing Svc
	11:45a	.....	Lunch Packing & Coffee Fellowship
	12-3p	.....	BYF Gathering
Mon. 16	11-12	.....	Sack Lunches for Homeless
Tue. 17	6:00p	.....	FBC Softball Game (<i>Rotary Park</i>)
	6:00p	.....	Deborah Circle Picnic (<i>Martha's home</i>)
Wed. 18	11-12	.....	Sack Lunches for Homeless
	12:00p	.....	Naomi Circle (<i>Marilyn Thrash's home</i>)
	6:30p	.....	Executive Council Meeting
Thu. 19	7:30a	.....	Breaking Barriers (<i>Boston Stoker</i>)
	12:00p	.....	Discussion/Sack Lunch (<i>First Baptist Church</i>)
	7:00p	.....	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Fri. 20	11-12	.....	Sack Lunches for Homeless
Sun. 22	9:00a	.....	Sunday School
	10:30a	.....	Worship Service
	11:45a	.....	Chapel Communion/Healing Svc
	11:45a	Reception for Margaret Barker/Coffee Fellowship
	4:30p	Lunch Bunch (<i>Florida's home</i>)

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Dr. David Morgan, Department of Art, Valparaiso University

Our Mission Statement:

To celebrate God's love as a community of believers in Jesus Christ through worship, education, fellowship, and outreach to others.

Dr. Rodney Wallace Kennedy, *Lead Pastor*
 Rev. Jason Alspaugh, *Associate Pastor Children & Youth*
 Rev. C. Roland Marcus, *Associate Pastor*
 Rev. James Earnest, *Assistant Pastor of Visitation*
 Rev. C. Donald Thrash, *Assistant Pastor of Visitation*

Ray Landis, *Music Director*
 Gregory Land, *Organist*
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