

The First Baptist Church at Worship

20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 10, 2010

10:30 AM

Welcome to First Baptist Church

Two things are absolutely essential to the church:

Jesus Christ and human need.

In that place where the church dwells are the rich and the poor, the haves and the have-nots, the powerful and the powerless.

There are those who are educated and those who are ignorant.

There are those who believe and those who don't believe.

There are the high and the mighty and the lowly who nobody knows.

In between is the Church of Jesus Christ. The church is called to help both the haves and the have-nots, the powerful and the powerless.

The church is to be the gospel for all these people.

As long as you have Christ and as long as you have needs, you have the church.

Fred Craddock
While the Minister Is in Jail:
Cherry Log Sermons

The Gathering

THE PRELUDE

R. Alan Kimbrough, Organist

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

Processional in G Major G. F. Handel
Aria in F Major G. F. Handel
Concerto in F: Andante G. F. Handel

In Praise to the Lord

CHORAL INTROIT

Chancel Choir

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High arr. Landis

*LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*OPENING HYMN

Lift Every Voice and Sing
LIFT EVERY VOICE (CCLI 1826847)

Author, diplomat, journalist, educator and civil rights activist James Weldon Johnson penned these words in 1899. Set to the music composed by his brother J. Rosamond Johnson this hymn encourages us to lift our voices, fight the good fight and to remember God, from whom all of our blessings flow.

**Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,
ring with the harmonies of liberty;
let our rejoicing rise, high as the listening skies,
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.**

**Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
let us march on till victory is won.**

**Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet
come to the place for which our people sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
we have come, treading our path through the blood of the
slaughtered,
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.**

**God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
thou who hast, by thy might, led us into the light,
keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, were we met thee,
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand,
true to our God, true to our native land.**

*OPENING PRAYER

Dr. Rodney Kennedy

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

He Has Made Me Glad
Leona Von Brethorst (CCLI 1826847)

I will en-ter His gates with thanks-giv-ing in my heart; I will
en-ter His gates with praise. I will say "This is the day that the
Lord has made!" I will re-joice for He has made me glad.
He has made me glad, He has made me glad, I
will re-joice for He has made me glad.
will re-joice for He has made me glad.

*PASSING OF THE 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.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

Reading & Proclaiming God's Word

THE NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON

Melissa Mikesell

2 Timothy 2:8-15: Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David--that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful-- for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

Sing to Him a Song of Praise Cindy Berry

*THE GOSPEL LESSON

Rev. Jim Earnest

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Luke.

People: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

Luke 17:11-19: On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Glory be to you, O Lord.**

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#507 I Then Shall Live
FINLANDIA

From the pen of noted gospel musician Gloria Gaither we have been given this hymn of forgiveness. These words remind us that, having experienced the forgiveness of our sins through Jesus Christ, we feel compelled to forgive those who sin against us. The last stanza begins with a paraphrase of "The Lord's Prayer" and ends with a plea that God feed a hungry world through us.

THE 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.)

CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER

Healing Grace
Chisholm and Sadler (CCLI 1826847)



PASTORAL PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts & Debtors)

Rev. C. Roland Marcus

THE OFFERTORY

R. Alan Kimbrough

Adagio (Occasional Oratorio) G. F. Handel

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

#651v.4 O Master...
MARYTON

In hope that sends a shining ray
far down the future's broadening way,
In peace that only thou canst give,
with thee, O Master, let me live.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Melissa Mikesell

THE SERMON

Dr. Rodney Kennedy

"Worship - A Sunday Choice"

The Response of God's People

THE 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

#374 Now Thank We All Our God
NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

Martin Rinkart was called at age 31 to pastor the Lutheran church in his native city of Eilenberg, Germany at the beginning of the Thirty Years War. He spent the rest of his life caring for the victims of that war. It is a credit to this man that he could write such a venerable hymn of thanksgiving in those trying times.

*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Dr. Rodney Kennedy

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION

Christ Beside Me
(CCLI 1826847)

Christ beside me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, King of my heart;
Christ within me, Christ below me,
Christ above me, never to part.

*POSTLUDE

R. Alan Kimbrough

Postlude in G Major G. F. Handel

WORSHIP NOTES

Jesus heals 10 lepers. A veritable leper colony cries out, "Have mercy." Jesus commands the lepers to follow the law and show themselves to the priest for an examination. On the way they are healed. Nine of them keep on going. One turns back. One returns to praise God and give thanks. Do we have a picture of a powerful set of practices for the followers of Jesus? Ten were healed; only one was saved. "Your faith has made you whole." Four times in Luke, Jesus makes this statement: to a prostitute in the house of Simon the Pharisee, to a woman suffering for twelve years with a blood issue, to a blind man, and to this leper. The kingdom of God is made up of the sinful, the sick, the socially outcast, the least of society. How can we have ever missed this as churches still play status games and power games? What are we thinking? Praise and thanks! What a contrast to the mood of our country.



Welcome to All

- ✓ **Before Worship:** Children arriving with parents or grandparents at the 9:15 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

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| Rich Appelt | Delana Jackson | Nickie Van Hoose |
| Ruth Balas | Joyce Johnson | Evelyn Weaver |
| Charles Blake | Patty Loxley | Peggie Worthey |
| Estie Clark | Giovanna McQuillen | Don Williams |
| Andy Collier | Marilyn Sue Miller | Helen Wilson |
| Jack Coggins | Robert Paloncy | Military Duty: |
| Rector Davis | Phyllis Pfersich | Rachel Coggins |
| Florida Dixon | Don Rosenbeck | Jeffrey Kennedy |
| Sarah Duvall | Dawn Shirley | Derrick McClain |
| Darris Forgy | Paul Shroyer | Joshua Shea |
| Carrie Louese Ganger | Dawn Smelser | Bryan Venys |
| Chuck Gockel | Rayfield Stinson | Chris West |
| Jane Halliday | Marion Stoner | Andy Wilson |
| Ruth Howell | Ethleon Thomson | |

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"Jesus heals the ten lepers" by Caspar Luiken, 1712

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*
- R. Alan Kimbrough, *Organist*
- Debbie Lindley, *Pianist*
- Linda Mullins, *Financial Secretary*
- Linda Blair, *Church Secretary*
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