The First Baptist Church at Worship
8th Sunday After Pentecost
July 10, 2016 10:00 AM

The Gathering
The prelude marks the beginning of our worship. The congregation is invited to meditate and contemplate in silence.

THE PRELUDE
Gregory Land, Organist
Debbie Lindley, Pianist

Praise Medley .................................. setting by Atwood/Mickelson
Take the Name of Jesus With You ......................... William Duane
Wonderful Grace of Jesus ................................. Waldor Lilemas

In Praise to the Lord
A three-fold ringing of three signifies the presence of the triune God: Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Rev. Don Brown

*LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*OPENING HYMN
#58 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
CREATION SINGS

People: Praise be to you, O Christ.

Luke 10:30-37
Jesus said, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And so likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, and gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ And now you also, when you do good, do not expect to receive anything, for when you lay down your life for the poor, you expect no reward."

People: Now may the Lord raise up his servant Jesus, to exalt him in his kingdom, as he spoke through the prophet Isaiah.
People: Praise be to you, O Lord.

RESPONSIVE PSALTER
Psalms 82

Leader: Lead Me, Guide Me
People: Only Love
Leader: EL AMOR
People: Glory be to you, O Lord.

*THE FELLOWSHIP HYMN
#444 Only Love

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE
(Following the message, children in preK-5 grades will be led downstairs for Sunday School. PreK-1 graders will be in Rm. #4. Grades 2-5 will be in Rm. #3B. Parents are asked to pick up their children after worship.)

CALL TO PRAYER
#403 (chorus only) Lead Me, Guide Me

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No information was available regarding the country of origin for this beautiful new hymn beyond the fact that Rafael Guillén composed it in 2004. In two verses we are given a profound definition of love.
Lead me, guide me, along the way,  
for if You lead me, I cannot stray.  
Lend me, O Lord, lead me.

PASTORAL PRAYER  
Rev. Dr. Barger

MUSICAL OFFERING

THE SERMON  
Rev. Dr. Barger

“Rituals or Righteousness”

The Response of God’s People

THE OFFERTORY  
Greg Land & Debbie Lindley

Jesus Loves Me with Clair De Lune .............. setting by Carol Seab

*THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

(As the ushers move down the aisles, the congregation is asked to stand at the moment the ushers pass their pew. This presentation to God enacts our self-offering and gratitude to God.)

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE  
#378 v.1 We Gather Here in Grateful Praise

We gather here in grateful praise, in prayer and song our voices raise, for all our blessings, large and small, we thank you God, who gives us all.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER  
Linda Ginter Brown

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP  
Rev. Dr. Barger

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

*CLOSING HYMN  
#627 Victory in Jesus

HARTFORD

Music teacher, leader, composer, editor and publisher E. M. Bartlett wrote our closing hymn in 1939, two years before his death. It has become well known in spiritual revivals nationwide.

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL  
Rev. Dr. Barger

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION  
#70 v.1 In Deepest Night

ROSE MARY

In deepest night, in darkest days,  
when harps are hung, no songs we raise,  
yet sounding in us quietly there is the song of God.

*POSTLUDE

Majestic Praise! ------------------ setting by Dick Bolks

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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.

Prayers of the People

Rich Appelt
Glen & Barbara Babb
Carson Bailey
Ruth Balas
Margaret Barker
Peggy Bauman
Jake Berman
Jennifer Berman
Tina Blackwell
Jessica Blair
Jim Brandeberry
Granville Brown
Jessica Brown
Linda Ginter Brown
Janett Cavender
Andy Collier
Linda Collins
Bob Copeland
Marilyn Craig
Pamela Cress
James Davis
Stephen Dilaway
Faith Dingess
Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Florida Dixon
Marge Earnest
Lavanda Ferguson
Jane Halliday
Bever Harrell
Jill Hendrix
Hentschel Family
Kimberly Holospie
Libby Hornbeck
Emil Kmetec
Jim Landis
Betty Lentz
Vincent Liss
Jennifer Loxley
Claude Malone
Luanh Meador
Janet Moore
Dennis Noyes
Claudia Malowne
Stephen Moore
The Response of God’s People

Rev. Dr. Barger

Grace Ruff
Helen Skidella
Marcia Smith
Margaret Stilwell
Chris West
Janett Cavender
Jane Halliday
Jane Moore
Faith Dingess
Meghan Phillips
Judas Waller
Don & Tattle Williams
Bill Warden
Sue Warden
Carol Seab

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