

Earle Street Baptist Church

10:30 am Worship

November 17, 2024

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

CHIMES

WELCOME

Dale Lynch

PRELUDE

Because I Have Been Given Much

arr. Franklin Eddings

CALL TO WORSHIP

Brittney Clow

Leader: God of the hungry, Shelter of the homeless, Provider of all we need and much of what we want, you welcome us like a parent calling a child to a nourishing meal.

People: Coming together as one family reminds us that both our affluence and our want are known to you, our fullness and the things for which we starve.

Leader: As you replenish us with food for our souls, turn our eyes and hearts to the needs of our brothers and sisters who go to bed hungry and wake up longing for bread.

People: Help us realize how much is enough and how much is too much to hold lightly in our lives.

All: Give us enough trust to live secure in your love, and to share it freely with others in open-handed confidence that your grace, like loaves and fishes, will never run out. Amen.

INVOCATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE #379

Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE

(All children, grades 5 and under, please come forward on the final stanza.)

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the Creator triumphantly raise,

Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,

Who guideth us on to the end of our days.

His banners are o'er us, His light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,

Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,

As forward we travel from light into light.

His law He enforces, the stars in their courses, the sun in its orbit, obediently shine.

The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,

The deeps of the ocean proclaim Him Divine.

We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing, with glad adoration a song let us raise,

Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving to God in the heist, hosanna and praise!

CHILDREN'S LOVE OFFERING Triune Mercy Center

Catherine Carnes

(Following this, preschoolers, ages 3 – K5, may go to Sunday School,
and children, grades 1 – 5, may go to Children's Church.)

*OFFERTORY HYMN #672

All Things Are Yours

GERMANY

All things are Yours: we make that true when we return our gifts to You;

And so we give, and so we share, in Christ's strong name expressing care.

"Give out of love" Your Word commands; we are Your head, Your heart, Your hands.

Your Word you underscore with deeds by using us to answer needs.

**O what a joy to give, and then out of compassion give again.
You have to needs—though that be true, the gifts we share are given to You.**

**All things are Yours: we make that true when we return our gifts to You;
And so we give, and so we share, in Christ's strong name expressing care.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Keith Merck

OFFERTORY

Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated

arr. Cindy Berry

*RESPONSE

Doxology

OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Luke 21:1-6

Gary Strickland

¹As Jesus looked up, he saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasury. ²He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. ³"Truly I tell you," he said, "this poor widow has put in more than all the others. ⁴All these people gave their gifts out of their wealth; but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on." ⁵Some of his disciples were remarking about how the temple was adorned with beautiful stones and with gifts dedicated to God. But Jesus said, ⁶"As for what you see here, the time will come when not one stone will be left on another; every one of them will be thrown down."

1 Corinthians 16:1-2

¹Now about the collection for the Lord's people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. ²On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.

ANTHEM

Then Sings My Soul
Sanctuary Choir

Mary McDonald

O Lord, my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!
How great thou art!

SERMON

"What's a Penny Worth?"

Gary Strickland

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #667

FOREST GREEN

As Saints of Old Their First Fruits Brought

**As saints of old their first fruits brought of orchard, flock, and field
To God the giver of all good, the Source of bounteous yield;
So we today first fruits would bring: the wealth of this good land,
Of farm and market, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.**

**A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give;
To make our life an offering that others too may live.
The church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true:
A world redeemed, Your kingdom, come, all life in Christ made new.**

**In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today,
To serve Your cause, to share Your love and show to all Your way.
O God, who gave Yourself to us in Jesus Christ Your Son,
Teach us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.**

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*BENEDICTION

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*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #705

GLORIA PATRI

Glory Be to the Father

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;
World without end. Amen, amen.**

*POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune in C

Paul Fey

*Congregation will please stand.

Acolyte—Peyton Zeiger

Deacon of the Week—John Love

Greeters—Becky Bridges, Bruce Doolittle, Norma Green

Sound Technician—Eddy Leo

Video Technician—Dan Boehm

Ushers—Curtis Dobbins, Calder Standridge, Quay Farmer, Keith Merck, Rick Green, Robin Scott Blackburn

Preschool/Children's Volunteers— Tammy Dowdy, Brittani Costanza, Emily Watson, Jeannie Flowe, Judy Boggs, Jane Leo, Noellen Groff, Margo Love, Grey Register, Rachel Brown, Calder Standridge, Taylor McCarthy, Tammi Knight