

***Hymn** **#45**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Reading from the Psalm (Psalm 121) **Gayle Mason**

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?
My help comes from the LORD who made heaven and earth.
God will not let your foot be moved;
God who keeps you will not slumber.
God who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.
The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The LORD will keep you from all evil; God will keep your life.
The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem **Sanctuary Choir**

Assurance
John Ness Beck

Testimony **Mabel Wright**

***Hymn** **#710**

Jesus Lover of My Soul

Offertory Prayer **Gene Stewart**

Meditation **Lansin Lim Kimler**

Scripture Reading (Genesis 4:1-16) **Gene Dobbs Bradford**

Now the man knew his wife Eve, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, “I have produced a man with the help of the LORD.” Next she bore his brother Abel.

Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a tiller of the ground. In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel for his part brought of the firstlings of his flock, their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell.

The LORD said to Cain, “Why are you angry, and why has your countenance fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is lurking at the door; its desire is for you, but you must master it.”

Cain said to his brother Abel, “Let us go out to the field.” And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel, and killed him. Then the LORD said to Cain, “**Where is your brother Abel?**”

He said, “I do not know; am I my brother’s keeper?”

And the LORD said, “What have you done? Listen; your brother’s blood is crying out to me from the ground! And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand. When you till the ground, it will no longer yield to you its strength; you will be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth.”

Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is greater than I can bear! Today you have driven me away from the soil, and I shall be hidden from your face; I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and anyone who meets me may kill me.”

Then the LORD said to him, “Not so! Whoever kills Cain will suffer a sevenfold vengeance.” And the LORD put a mark on Cain, so that no one who came upon him would kill him. Then Cain went away from the presence of the LORD, and settled in the land of Nod, east of Eden.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Message **Dr. Greg Hunt**

God Has Questions for Us: “Where is Your Brother?”

***Hymn of Response** **#664**

Take My Life, Lead Me Lord

***Benediction** **Dr. Carter**

Postlude **Brent Johnson**

Monologue 1, op. 62
Josef Gabriel Rheinberger

OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE AND SERVE

TODAY, MARCH 16, 2014

NOON Business Meeting

NOON Church Council, Room 2

MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2014

NOON Staff Meeting, Room 2

4:00 pm TBC Tutoring, Rooms 401, 403

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2014

9:00 am Friendship International, Various

4:00 pm TBC Tutoring, Rooms 401, 403

4:30 pm Library Open

5:00 pm Fellowship Dinner (Adults \$5.50, Kids \$3.50), Fellowship Hall

Everyone is welcome! Please help us plan by calling the church office (314) 533-7340) to make a dinner reservation.

Menu: Salad, Fried Fish, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Dessert

6:00 pm Upward Basketball Practice, Johnson Hall/Gym

6:00 pm Tae Kwon Do, Room 402

7:00 pm WMS Mission Projects, Room 2

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2014

12:30 pm Friday Pipes, Sanctuary

6:00 pm CTBS Foundation Class, Room 2

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2014

10:00 am CTBS Foundation Class, Room 2

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2014

9:00 am Coffee and doughnuts, Fellowship Hall

9:30 am Adult Lenten Study Class -Dr. Hunt teaching, Fellowship Hall

Blackbird Singing in the Dead of Night

10:40 am Worship

God Has Questions for Us: *What Is That in Your Hand?*

NOON Coffee Fellowship, Pillsbury Threshold

LOOKING AHEAD

FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2014

1:30 pm Area V Board Meeting, Room 2

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2014

NOON Upward Celebration, Johnson Hall

SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 2014

NOON Congregational Lunch and Conversation, Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2014

2:00 PM Pastels and Polka Dots Tea, Johnson Hall

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN OUR HOSPITALS

None reported.

SPECIAL LENTEN STUDY

This morning during the Sunday School hour, Dr. Greg Hunt began leading a special Lenten study based on his book, *Blackbird Singing in the Dead of Night*. The study will continue on Sundays at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall through April 13. Copies of Dr. Hunt's book are available free of charge for those participating in the study. All Adult Sunday School groups are invited to attend. Follow the accompanying blog at www.tbcblog.weebly.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have a growing group of children participating in our twice monthly children's church program. We need adults who are willing to volunteer to help with children's church. There will be no preparation, just show up and lend a hand! If you are interested/available in assisting with this important ministry to our children, please contact Maria.

CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED

There is no greater fun than to sing and when you get to sing with the folks in our Sanctuary Choir your joy is doubled (at least). Another blessing is seeing all the beautiful faces of our congregation. How can you resist such an offer?!! Also, we have been discussing signing bonuses for all new members. Those bonuses have not yet been defined but surely they will be highly desirable! The choir rehearses on Wednesday evening from 7-8:30 pm in the Choir Room, next to Room 2. Please come join us!!

FRIDAY PIPES, MARCH 21

Third Baptist's weekly organ recital series continues this week with organist William Sullivan. Dr. Sullivan is organist of Laclede Groves Chapel, and this is his second appearance on the series. He will be presenting a recital of Italian and Italian influenced works including a Trio Sonata by Johann Sebastian Bach, whose 329th birthday will be celebrated this Friday. Come hear the restored pipe organ in all its glory in these free concerts each Friday at 12:30pm.

PASTELS AND POLKA DOTS TEA

Tickets for the annual Pastels and Polka Dots Tea will be on sale today following worship. The tea will be held on Saturday, April 5 at 2:00 PM in Johnson Hall. The cost is \$5.00 per person. *Don't forget to bring your tea cup.*

Welcome to our Guests

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today. We invite you to complete a welcome card located in the back of the pew and make that your contribution to our morning offering. We would be honored to care for your children during the worship service. Childcare is available for infants through age 3 on the first floor; children ages 4 - 6 are cared for in Room 100A. May you receive a blessing as we study and worship together!

INTERESTED IN JOINING THIRD BAPTIST CHURCH?

Near the end of worship, the pastor will invite any who wish to become members to the front of the sanctuary. Following this response, you will be introduced to one of our deacons, who will guide you in the first weeks of church membership and beyond.

If you are presently a member of another church:

- If it is another Baptist church, we will write to ask them to transfer your membership record to Third. *It's that simple.*
- If it is a church of another Christian denomination, we will inform them that you are now a member of this church. You will *not* be asked to be re-baptized here in order to join Third.
- If you cannot remember or locate your previous church, we will accept you upon your own statement of Christian faith and previous baptism.

If you have not been a church member anywhere before, or if you seek to follow Jesus but have not been baptized, we invite you to be baptized as a believer by immersion as a testimony of your decision to be a Christian. The pastor will set a date with you for your baptism.

We provide Covenant Classes for new members and interested friends. We ask that you attend one of these sessions either prior to or soon after joining the church. This class will help you to better understand our faith and how Third Baptist Church conducts its ministries.

Our Mission

Third Baptist Church is a caring congregation of believers who have accepted by faith the saving power of Jesus Christ, and who are committed to the advancement of God's Kingdom. Our purpose is to worship God and to share Jesus Christ, ministering in love to the spiritual and physical needs of all people.

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Church Staff

Dr. Gregory Hunt, Interim Pastor
Dr. Terrell Carter, Minister of Administration
Rev. Maria Stinnett, Associate Pastor for Children & Communications
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Nancy Furgerson, Interim Minister of Music and Worship
Brent Johnson, Organist
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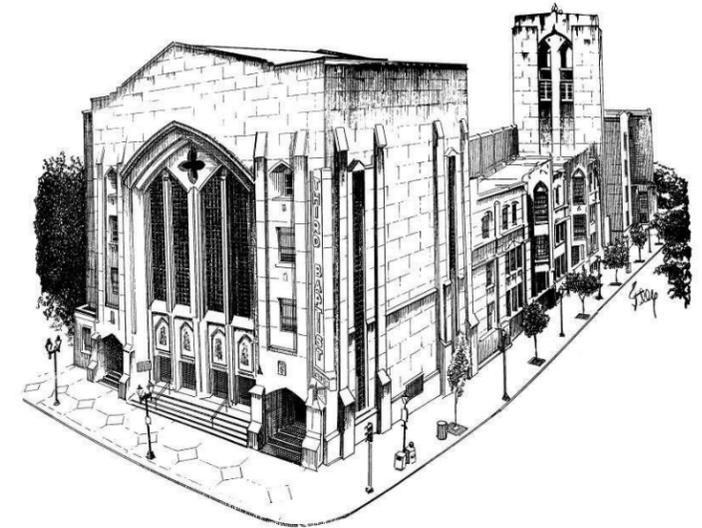


Welcome to THIRD BAPTIST CHURCH

In the city for good!

MARCH 16, 2014

10:40 AM



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Psalm 121:1-3

Announcements

Passing of the Peace

*Doxology

#815

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prelude

Brent Johnson

Alas and Did My Savior Die
James Mansfield

*Please silence cell phones and other electronic devices
and set aside other matters as we prepare to worship.*

Invocation