



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, August 23rd, 2020

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: God, you reveal your power in showing mercy and pity. Mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace that we live in the way of your commandments, obtain your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Adapted from the BCP*

Music for Gathering

"Come Thou Fount"

Joseph Martin, MYM

"Seasons"

Allison Arends, MYM

"God of Grace..."

FBC Congregation

Congregational Life and Ministry

Joel Russell-MacLean

Call to Worship and Invocation

Leader: Welcome in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Lord be with you

All: **And also with you.**

We Approach God

Hymn of Praise

“Rock of Ages”

#204

**Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;
Let the water and the blood, from thy wounded side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure; save from its guilt and power.**

**Not the labours of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.**

**Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to the cross I cling;
Naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Saviour, or I die.**

**While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.**

Children’s Moment

Joel Russell-MacLean

Gift of Music

Confession of Sin
Assurance of Pardon

Chris Senger

We Listen to God

Hymn of Response

“Jesus Loves Even Me”

#357

**I am so glad that our Father in heav'n tells of his love in the book he has giv'n;
Wonderful things in the Bible I see - this is the dearest, that Jesus loves me.**

(Chorus:)

**I am so glad that Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me;
I am so glad that Jesus loves me, Jesus loves even me.**

**O if there's only one song I can sing when in his beauty I see the great King,
This shall my song in eternity be: "O what a wonder, that Jesus loves me!"**

(Chorus)

“Jesus, All for Jesus”

Robin Mark

**Jesus, all for Jesus: all I am and have and ever hope to be.
All of my ambitions, hopes, and plans, I surrender these into your hands.
For it's only in your will that I am free. (x2)
Jesus, all for Jesus: all I am and have and ever hope to be.**

Scripture Reader
Response

Lynette Wollbaum
Oliver Wollbaum

Old Testament Lesson: Numbers 13.1-4.33 (*Selected verses*)

Responsorial Reading: Psalm 95

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

All: For the Lord is the great God, the great king above all gods

Leader: In the Lord's hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to the Lord.

All: The sea is the Lord's, for the Lord made it, and the Lord's hands formed the dry land.

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker,

All: For the Lord is our God and we are the people of God's pasture, the flock under God's care.

Leader: Today, if only you would hear his voice, "Do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah, as you did that day at Massah in the wilderness,

All: Where your ancestors tested me; they tried me, though they had seen what I did.

Leader: For forty years I was angry with that generation; I said, 'They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they have not known my ways.

All: So I declared on oath in my anger, 'They shall never enter my rest.' "
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

New Testament Lesson: Hebrews 3.12 - 4.2

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

Prayers of the People

Murray Wolfe

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gifts and Offerings

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Prepare to Go and Serve God

Hymn of Departing

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

#350

**’Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, and to take him at his word;
Just to rest upon his promise, and to know, “Thus says the Lord!”**

(Refrain:)

**Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I’ve proved him o’er and o’er;
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!**

**O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood;
And in simple faith to plunge me ’neath the healing, cleansing flood!**

(Refrain)

**Yes, ’tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.**

(Refrain)

**I’m so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Saviour, friend;
And I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end.**

(Refrain)

Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Join others for a special, "A Time for Friends".

After the music for departing a few smaller breakout groups will be formed. There is no obligation to stay if you need to be going. If you wish to take part, simply remain on zoom to greet the group and hear how others are doing.