



# *First Baptist Church*

*A Place To Belong*

## **Worship Service for Sunday, January 30, 2022**

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

*\*Please stand as you are able whether you are participating at home or in the sanctuary.*

### **We Gather as God's People**

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**Silent Prayer:** Father, we come to you through your only Son, in the power of the Spirit, seeking water and food that truly satisfies. Nourish and feed us once again that we may live. Amen.

Music for Gathering

"Largo"  
(Eccles)

Mark Anderson

Morning Chimes

Mark Anderson

Opportunities for Life and Service

Joel Russell-MacLean

\*The Introit

"Christ, Be Our Light"  
(Bernadette Farrell)

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness.**

**Longing for truth, we turn to you.**

**Make us your own, your holy people,**

**Light for the world to see.**

**Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.**

**Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

\* Call to Worship and Prayer

Joel Russell-MacLean

## **We Approach God**

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\*Hymn of Praise

“Saviour of My Heart”

(John Hartley, Sheila Walsh & Bonnie Bielec)

**You alone are the Saviour of my heart, faithful in all you do.**

**You alone are the keeper of my soul, tender and kind and true.**

**I will seek you in the morning, I will seek your face at night;**

**How lovely is your presence to me, O Lord, to me.**

**Take my heart with all its wandering ways. Shelter me in your grace.**

**And there I'll stay 'til all my days are through, then I shall see your face.**

**I will seek you in the morning, I will seek your face at night;**

**How lovely is your presence to me, O Lord, to me.**

**I will seek you in the morning, I will seek your face at night;**

**How lovely is your presence to me, O Lord, to me.**

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Children’s Blessing

Kayely Rich

Gift of Music

“Torments, alas! Are not confin’d” from Samson  
(G. F. Handel)

Chris MacRae

*Here are the words for those who would like to follow along:*

Torments, alas, are not confin’d to heart or head or breast,

Torments, alas, are not confin’d to heart or head or breast,

But will a secret passage find into the very inmost mind,

With pains intense opprest,

That rob the soul itself of rest, that rob the soul itself of rest,

That rob the soul itself of rest, with pains intense opprest,

That rob the soul itself of rest, with pains intense opprest,

That rob the soul itself of rest.

Confession of Sin

Joel Russell-MacLean

Assurance of Pardon

## **We Listen to God**

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\*Hymn of Approach

“Tell Me the Story of Jesus”

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**Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart every word;  
Tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard.  
Tell how the angels, in chorus, sang as they welcomed his birth,  
“Glory to God in the highest! Peace and good tidings to earth.”**

**Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart every word;  
Tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard.**

**Fasting alone in the desert, tell of the days that are past;  
How for our sins he was tempted, yet was triumphant at last.  
Tell of the years of his labour, tell of the sorrow he bore;  
He was despised and afflicted, homeless, rejected, and poor.**

**Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart every word;  
Tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard.**

**Tell of the cross where they nailed him, writhing in anguish and pain;  
Tell of the grave where they laid him, tell how he liveth again.  
Love in that story so tender, clearer than ever I see:  
Stay, let me weep while you whisper, love paid the ransom for me.**

**Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart every word;  
Tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard.**

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 63

Leader: O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**All: So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.**

Leader: Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

**All: So I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name.**

Leader: My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips.

**All: 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.**

\*Gospel Lesson: John 4: 1-42

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“The Saviour of the World”

Joel Russell-MacLean

## **We Respond to God**

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**\*Hymn of Response**

**“How Great Thou Art”**

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**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:**

**Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

**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 Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour 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.**

**Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

**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 Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

Prayers of the People

Ron Phillips

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.**

Our Gifts and Offerings

Joel Russell-MacLean

### **We Depart to Serve God**

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\*Hymn for Departing      "See Our Lord in All His Glory"      (Tune: CWM Rhondda, #51)  
(Ken Bible)

**Jesus Lord, we see your splendor here and now by daily faith.  
In our service, in our suffering we will follow unafraid,  
On from glory into glory  
Till we see you face to face, till we see you face to face.**

\*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Melissa Morgan

We would like to thank Dr. Chris MacRae for helping to lead us in worship today.

For those of you on Zoom, 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 be invited to a group and hear how others are doing.