

# First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

## Worship Service for Sunday, September 30th, 2018

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

\*Indicates congregation is invited to stand as able

## We Gather as God's People

**Silent Prayer:** Father in heaven, you are the source of our joy. Do not abandon us when things are not going well. Let us see signs of your care. May we share the comfort and love we have received with others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Music for Gathering "Be of Go

"Be of Good Courage" (Telemann)

Mark Anderson

Opportunities for Life and Service

Joel Russell-MacLean

**Morning Chimes** 

\*The Introit

"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

(Tune: Lancashire, #226)

Sing to the Lord of harvest, sing songs of love and praise; With joyful hearts and voices your alleluias raise! By him the rolling seasons in fruitful order move; Sing to the Lord of harvest a song of happy love.

\*Call to Worship: Psalm 30

Joel Russell-MacLean

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God, send out your light and your truth; let them lead me;

Choir:

Leader:

Let them bring me to your holy hill, to where you are.

All:

Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy; and I

will praise you with music O God, my God.

Leader:

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted

within me?

All:

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it

was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever, to the ages of

ages. Amen.

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Welcome

Leader: The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

## We Approach God

\*Reflective Moment

"Holy Spirit"

Keith Getty/Stuart Townsend

Holy Spirit, come abide within; may your joy be seen in all we do. Love enough to cover ev'ry sin in each thought and deed and attitude. Kindness to the greatest and the least; gentleness that sows the path of peace. Turn our striving into works of grace; breath of God, show Christ in all we do.

Confession of Sin Assurance of Pardon Ron Phillips

\*Hymn of Praise

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

#59

The children are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn. Following the blessing, the children are invited to go down to Godly Play and Oasis.

Children's Blessing

Joel Russell-MacLean

Gift of Music

"Higher Ground"

Sanctuary Choir

#### We Listen to God

Scripture Reader

Laureen Snook

Old Testament Lesson: Ruth 1

(O.T. pg.)

\*Gospel Reading: Matthew 7.7-12

(N.T. pg.)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>\*</sup>Welcoming One Another

\*Hymn

#58

Gift of Music Christa Walsh

Sermon

"Bitterness and Courage In God's Silence"

## We Respond to God

\*Hymn of Response

"Christ, Be Our Light"

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.

(Refrain:)

Christ, be our light!

Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.

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

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice.

(Refrain)

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.

Longing for warmth, many are cold.

Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone.

(Refrain)

Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, seeing your kingdom come. (Refrain)

Prayers of the People

Alicyn Miller

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 & Offerings "This is My Father's World" (Rinck)

Mark Anderson

\*Response of Praise

"Praise the Lord"

Praise the Lord, from whom all blessings flow. He has washed and made me white as snow. I'm redeemed from all my sin and shame. Now and forever praise His holy name! Praise His holy name. Praise His holy name. To God be the glory now and forever. Praise His holy name!

\*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" (Evans) Mark Anderson

### Deacon on Duty:

Anyone desiring prayer is invited to come to the front of the sanctuary on the right-hand side. One of our deacons will be there to listen and to pray with you.

#### "A Time For Friends"

Everyone is invited to the lower hall for refreshments following the service.

Thanks to Louise Krueger for directing the choir this morning.

## Keeping in Touch

We communicate each week in a number of ways. Contact the church to add or update your contact information.

- 1) firstbaptistregina.ca, our website doesn't just list upcoming events,. You'll find background information, articles, and videos about Sunday's songs and scriptures, our Learning for Life classes, our Lebanese mission partnership, and much more.
- 2) Our Facebook page includes invitations to upcoming events and posts from the congregation.
- 3) A weekly email is sent out with upcoming events, notices of special events (such as funerals), and links to our website.
- 4) Sign in to churchtrac to access your giving record, update your contact information.

First Baptist Church Office hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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