



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, March 3rd, 2019
The Sunday before Lent

**Indicates congregation is invited to stand as able*

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: Father, anything done without love is worth nothing. Give us hearts of flesh. Pour your love into our lives through your Holy Spirit so that we might love you and love our neighbours as we follow Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Music for Gathering “Take My Life and Let It Be” (Hopson) Mark Anderson

Opportunities for Life and Service Joel Russell-MacLean

Morning Chimes Mark Anderson

*The Introit “We Have Come to Join in Worship”
(Tune: Joyful, Joyful, #1)

**We have come to join in worship and adore the Lord our God.
Let us come in prayer, expecting God to speak his mighty Word.
All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down.
Christians, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.**

*Call to Worship John Nelson

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

Welcoming into Membership Anne Martin

A Covenant of Fellowship

We, the members of First Baptist Church, Regina, covenant together to walk with Christ and each other in the fellowship of holy love, to gather together regularly for united worship, to search the Scriptures for understanding of the Christian way of life, to serve God and each other in love and humility.

We will recognize the worth of each individual within our community, regardless of age or circumstances, recognizing that we are all precious in God's sight.

We will uphold each other in prayer and will offer kindness, forgiveness, and mercy to each other as Christ has offered to us.

We will give cheerfully of our time, talents and finances so that God's work would prosper in this place.

We will recognize Christ's presence in every aspect of our lives and will seek to honour Him in all that we say and do - at church, in our homes, and at our places of employment. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we will seek to follow Christ throughout our lives.

*Welcoming One Another

We Approach God

*Hymn of Praise

“And Can It Be?”

#203

The children are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn and are invited to remain at the front through the sermon until communion.

Children's Blessing

Joel Russell-MacLean

Gift of Music

Sanctuary Choir

We Listen to God

Scripture Reader

Joel Russell-MacLean

Epistle Lesson: Galatians 2.19b-20

(N.T. pg. 175)

Responsorial Reading: Psalm 44.23-26

Leader: Why do you sleep, O Lord? Awake, do not cast us off forever!

Choir: *Why do you hide your face?*

All: **Why do you forget our affliction and oppression?**

Leader: For we sink down to the dust; our bodies cling to the ground.

Choir: *Rise up, come to our help.*

All: **Redeem us for the sake of your steadfast love.**

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: Luke 18.28-43

(N.T. pg. 82)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*Hymn of Preparation "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

#376

I have decided to follow Jesus, (3 times)

No turning back, no turning back.

Sermon "Faith in the One Who Loves Me"

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Approach

"Take My Life"

#379 v. 1, 2

*The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to Supper

Joel Russell-MacLean

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Minister: It is right and good, always and everywhere to give thanks to you Lord, Holy Father, Creator of heaven and earth... We praise you, joining the angels of heaven, all our sisters and brothers around the world, and the faithful departed ..., saying:

All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is Jesus who came and will come again in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayers of the People

Norma Holtlander

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.

The Words of Consecration

Minister: Lord Jesus Christ, you came to set us free from sin, death and the devil. With love, we offer ourselves to you, fully and completely, as living sacrifices, as we proclaim the good news:

All: Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

A Hymn to God the Father

By John Donne

Wilt thou forgive that sin where I begun,
Which was my sin, though it were done before?
Wilt thou forgive that sin, through which I run,
And do run still, though still I do deplore?
When thou hast done, thou hast not done,
For I have more.

Wilt thou forgive that sin which I have won
Others to sin, and made my sin their door?
Wilt thou forgive that sin which I did shun
A year or two, but wallow'd in, a score?
When thou hast done, thou hast not done,
For I have more.

I have a sin of fear, that when I have spun
My last thread, I shall perish on the shore;
But swear by thyself, that at my death thy Son
Shall shine as he shines now, and heretofore;
And, having done that, thou hast done;
I fear no more.

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. Sign up with Pastor Joel to receive this.

4) **Sign in to churchtrac** to access your giving record or update your contact information.



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