



# First Baptist Church

*A Place To Belong*

## Worship Service for Sunday, August 25th, 2019

*\*Indicates congregation is invited to stand as able*

### We Gather as God's People

**Silent Prayer:** Lord, may we know and understand what we ought to do, and may we have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Brianna Levesque

Opportunities for Life and Service

Joel Russell-MacLean

\*The Introit

“God is Here”

*(Tune - Hymn to Joy #1/ Words- Fred Pratt Green)*

**God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,  
May we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.  
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts  
Wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.**

\*Welcome and prayer

Joel Russell-MacLean

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

\*Welcoming One Another

### We Approach God

\*Reflective Moment

“Speak, O Lord” Keith Getty & Stuart Townsend

**Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your holy word.  
Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness;  
That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our  
deeds of faith.**

**Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.**

Confession of Sin  
Assurance of Pardon

Kayely Rich

\*Hymn of Praise

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

#26

*The children are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn before going downstairs for the summer class on Psalms. The nursery is unsupervised during the summer months - parents are welcome to take little ones to the nursery and watch the service from there.*

Children’s Blessing

Joel Russell-MacLean

God at Work in our Lives - SENT

Laureen Snook

Gift of Music

“All Glory to Jesus”

Ben and Timothy Friesen

## We Listen to God

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Scripture Reader

Alicyn Miller

Responsorial Reading: Palm 107:25-30

Leader: The Lord spoke, and the winds rose, stirring up the waves.

**All: Their ships were tossed to the heavens and plunged again to the depths; the sailors cringed in terror.**

Leader: They reeled and staggered like drunkards and were at their wits end.

**All: “Lord, help!” they cried in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress.**

Leader: The Lord calmed the storm to a whisper and stilled the waves. What a blessing was that stillness as the Lord brought them safely into harbour!

**All: Let them praise the Lord for the Lord’s great love and for the wonderful things the Lord has done for them.**

\*Gloria Patri #623

Congregation

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Approach: "God Will Take Care of You" #47

New Testament Lesson: Acts 26:32 - 28:31, selected verses (N.T. pg. 148)

Sermon Norma Holtslander

## We Respond to God

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\*Hymn of Response "It Is Well with My Soul" #493

Prayers of the People Chris Senger

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 "Glory and Honour" Ben and Timothy Friesen

\*Response of Praise "Give Thanks"

**(Give thanks with a grateful heart: Give thanks to the Holy One; Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.) 2x**

**(And now let the weak say, "I am strong", let the poor say "I am rich", Because of what the Lord has done for us.) 2x  
Give thanks. Give thanks.**

\*Benediction Norma Holtslander

Music for Departing Brianna Levesque

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.*

## **Last of the Summer Patio Parties, Tonight!**

*6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Dessert and beverages are provided. Please remember to bring a lawn chair and a friend.*

Tonight: First Baptist Place at 2153 Smith St.

## **Backyard BBQ: September 1st, 3138 Hill Avenue**

Please sign up today in the foyer if you are planning on attending. Hosted by Derrick and Rosemary.

Hamburgers, hot dogs, beverages and desserts are provided. Please remember to bring a lawn chair and a friend. Donations to cover the costs will be gratefully received.

## **Learning For Life Fall 2019**

### **"The Book of Ezekiel" - September 15 - December 8**

Dr. Kelvin Friebel will be leading a class on the book of Ezekiel. This class will begin with information on how to read Old Testament prophecy followed by an introduction to the book of Ezekiel. The remainder of the classes will break down different key chapters in Ezekiel, including: Ezekiel's call to be a prophet, Ezekiel's weird behaviour, Israel the unfaithful wife, God and the foreign nations, God restoring his presence, and more! Dr. Friebel's doctoral studies are in Hebrew and Semitic studies and he has a long history of teaching the Old Testament at CTS, Houghton College, and more recently at Briercrest College and Seminary.

### **"Stories About Jesus" - Learning For Life, September 22 - October 27**

This class will read some of the stories from Jesus' life, as told in the gospels, with the hope of getting to know Jesus better. The class will be especially appropriate for people just looking at the Christian faith, and people young in their faith. It will also be suitable for young people 11 or 12 and up, as well as for adults. It will involve dramatic reading, perhaps some acting out of the stories, as appropriate, and much discussion. Facilitated by Ron Phillips