



# First Baptist Church

*A Place To Belong*

## Worship Service for Sunday, September 1st, 2019

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

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

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**Silent Prayer:** God, you are the giver of all good things: from your abundant love, graft into our hearts a love for you, for all people, and for all creation; and may that love overflow from our hearts into daily prayer and service, in imitation of Jesus, in whose name we pray, who is one with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Melissa Morgan

Opportunities for Life and Service

Joel Russell-MacLean

\*The Introit

“Dry Bones (Come Alive)”

by Lauren Daigle

**God of endless mercy, God of unrelenting love,  
Rescue every daughter, bring us back the wayward son,  
By your Spirit, breathe upon them,  
Show the world that you alone can save. You alone can save!**

**We call out to dry bones, “Come alive, come alive.”  
We call out to dead hearts, “Come alive, come alive.”  
Up out of the ashes, let us see a people rise.  
We call out to dry bones, “Come alive.”**

\*Welcome and prayer

Ben Sentis

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

\*Welcoming One Another

## We Approach God

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\*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.**

Unison Confession of Sin

Nuru & Honnête Guruka

**Merciful and loving God, we confess that we have wandered from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the plans and desires of our own hearts. We have done, said, and thought things that were wrong. We have not done things that we know we should have. There is no health in us. Lord, have mercy on us. Fill us once again with your Holy Spirit. Wipe out our sins as you have promised to all humanity in Christ Jesus our Lord. May we live disciplined, righteous, and godly lives, for your glory. In the name of Jesus, our Saviour, we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

\*Hymn of Praise

“The Solid Rock”

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*This Sunday, children will remain with their parents. We encourage you to help children to find the songs and to follow along and to take part during the sermon.*

## We Listen to God

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Scripture Reader

Adoniram Holslander & Rowan Russell-MacLean

Responsorial Reading: Psalm 119.9-15

**Leader: How can young people keep their way pure? By guarding it according to your word.**

**All: With my whole heart I seek you; do not let me stray from your commandments.**

**Leader: I treasure your word in my heart, so that I may not sin against you.**

**All: I will meditate on your precepts, and fix my eyes on your ways. 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: Acts 28.16-17, 21-31

Leader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

“The Goal of Acts”

## **We Celebrate**

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\*Hymn of Approach

“Lamb of God”

by Twila Paris

Your only son no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side,  
To walk upon this guilty sod and to become the Lamb of God.

*(Chorus:)*

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the Holy Lamb of God.

O wash me in his precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God

Your gift of love they crucified, they laughed and scorned him as he  
died.

The humble King they named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God.

*(Chorus)*

I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side,  
To be led by your staff and rod and to be called a lamb of God

*(Chorus)*

\*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.

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

Xavier Russell-MacLean

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.**



**Service time change: September 8th.**

**We begin at 11 a.m., next Sunday.**

Mark Anderson, Christa Walsh, and the choir are back to help lead worship, and Godly Play and Oasis begin a new year of worship for children.

We will also have a special guest speaker. Rev Dr Barbara Mutch will be preaching this Sunday. Dr Mutch began her years of ministry at First Baptist Regina. She has since taught and provided leadership at Carey Baptist Seminary, and now serves the church through.

**Backyard BBQ: Tonight, at 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.

**Kickoff Sunday BBQ: September 15th, following morning worship**

Hamburgers, hot dogs, beverages will be provided in the lower hall, following morning worship. Invite someone to join us for this special service. . Donations to cover the costs will be gratefully received.

**Floyd Berkan's Funeral**

Saturday, September 7th, 10:30 a.m., Speers Family Centre,

**George Baxter's Funeral**

Monday, September 9th, 1:30, First Baptist Church

Reception to follow in the Hotel Saskatchewan.

**"Coffee & Chat" with Rachelle Lowe of IVCF**

Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 7:15 p.m. at Anne & Roger Bellow's (3914 Goldfinch Way) Rachelle is based in Saskatoon, but in the absence of a staff person in Regina, she travels to Regina to support the student leaders here. All those interested in hearing more about the work of IVCF are most welcome!

## **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.

### **"Stories Jesus Told", November 3 - December 8**

This class will use the same format as "Stories about Jesus". Instead of stories featuring Jesus, we will look at some of his parables, stories he told to teach about the Kingdom of God.

The teacher for these two classes will be Ron Phillips

# Photos from the First Baptist trip to our partners in Lebanon

