



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, November 17th, 2019

**Indicates congregation is invited to stand as able*

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: Creator of heaven and earth, you have been faithful to all your creatures through all the ages, and you have been faithful to us. Grant that we might love you and remain faithful to you all the days of our lives. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Mark Anderson

Opportunities for Life and Service

Joel Russell-MacLean

*The Introit "We Gather Here in Grateful Praise" *(Tune: Duke Street, #231)*

**We gather here in grateful praise, in prayer and song our voices raise,
For all our blessings large and small, we thank you God, who gives us all.**

Praise God, the source of everything,

Praise God, the Son our Lord and King,

Praise God, the Holy Spirit near, we thank you God, for you are here.

*Call to Worship and prayer

Kayely Rich

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*Welcoming One Another

We Approach God

*Reflective Moment

"Holy Spirit"

(Getty and Townend)

**Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made,
Show your power once again on earth;**

Cause your church to hunger for your ways.

**Let the fragrance of our prayers arise, lead us on the road of sacrifice,
That, in unity, the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.**

Confession of Sin
Assurance of Pardon

John Nelson

*Hymn of Praise “Lo! He Comes With Clouds Descending”

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The children are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn before going downstairs for Godly Play and Oasis.

Children’s Blessing

Joel Russell-MacLean

God at Work in Our Lives

Annabel Robinson

Gift of Music

Sanctuary Choir

We Listen to God

Scripture Reader

Hilary Ryan

Old Testament Reading: Malachi 2.10-3.6

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Responsorial Reading: Psalm 145

Leader: Israel mingled with the nations and learned to do as they did. They poured out innocent blood, the blood of their sons and daughters, whom they sacrificed to the idols of Canaan; and the land was polluted with blood.

Choir: Thus they became unclean by their acts, and prostituted themselves in their doings.

All: Then the anger of the Lord was kindled against his people, and the Lord abhorred his heritage;

Leader: The Lord gave them into the hand of the nations, so that those who hated them ruled over them.

Choir: Many times the Lord delivered them, but they were rebellious in their purposes, and were brought low through their iniquity.

All: Nevertheless the Lord regarded their distress when the Lord heard their cry.

(Cont’d, see over)

Leader: For their sake the Lord remembered the covenant, and showed compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

Choir: Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

All: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. And let all the people say, "Amen." Praise the Lord!

*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.

*Gospel Reading: Mark 13.1-8

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Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn of Preparation

"Jesus, I Come"

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Gift of Music

Karen Martin

Sermon

"Do Not Be Faithless"

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

#466

Prayers of the People

Richard Hovey

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

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

Music for Departing

Mark Anderson

Deacon on Duty

Laureen Snook

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.

Fall Business Meeting immediately following the morning worship service in the lower hall. All are encouraged to attend.

Visiting Others This Christmas

During the Season of Advent we anticipate the arrival of Christ - God's visitation of us on earth. During Advent this year we invite you to consider an intentional season of visiting others, specifically those unable to connect or attend regularly our Sunday Services. On Saturday, November 30th, Ron Phillips will be leading a seminar on visitation starting at 10am; this will be followed by organizing those present/interested in visitations during Advent. If this is something you may like to be a part of, join us on November 30th or for more information contact Pastor Richard.

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