



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, September 20th, 2020

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, you have washed away our sins and given us new life in Jesus by your Holy Spirit. Grant us courage and faith to keep our baptismal vows through all the days appointed to us as we look toward the day of resurrection and the renewal of all things. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Mark Anderson

Congregational Life and Ministry

John Nelson

Call to Worship and Invocation

Kayely Rich

Leader: Welcome in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

We Approach God

*Hymn of Praise

"Amazing Grace"

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**Amazing grace! - how sweet the sound - that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!**

**Thru many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.**

Preparation for Baptism

Gift of Music

Rob Nelson

We Listen to God

Scripture Lessons

Annabel Robinson

New Testament Lesson: Colossians 2 - 3, *selected verses*

Responsorial Reading: Psalm 27

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

All: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

Leader: One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

All: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

Leader: I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

All: Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord! 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 Reading: Luke 3.21-22

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Blessing
Sermon

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Celebrate

*Hymn of Preparation

“Come As You Are”

by David Crowder

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been;

Come broken hearted, let rescue begin.

Come find your mercy, O sinner, come kneel:

Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal. *(repeat)*

There's hope for the hopeless and all those who've strayed.

Come sit at the table, come taste the grace.

There's rest for the weary, rest that endures:

Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't cure. *(repeat)*

The Father is calling, “Come as you are”;

Join Christ in the water, take up your cross;

Welcome God’s Spirit and new life receive:

Earth has no sorrow, that God can’t redeem. *(repeat)*

Call to Baptism: Acts 2.32-39

Annabel Robinson

Sponsor’s Words of Affirmation

Esther Wiens

Baptism

Karlee Mock

Choral Response

“Spirit of the Living God”

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me. *(repeat)*

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.

We Respond to God

Prayers of the People

Hilary Ryan

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

Richard Hovey

*Welcoming of the Baptized and the Affirmation of Our Baptismal Vows

Joel Russell-MacLean

*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.

**And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died he for me, who caused His pain? For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be that thou, my God, should die for me?**

(Refrain)

**Amazing love! how can it be
That thou, my God, should die for me!**

**He left his Father's throne above, so free, so infinite his grace;
Emptied himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; For, O my God, it found out me.**

(Refrain)

**Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray, I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth and followed thee.**

(Refrain)

**No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him is mine!
Alive in him, my living head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own.**

(Refrain)

Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Mark Anderson

Join others for a special, “A Time for Friends”.

After the music for departing a few smaller breakout groups will be formed. There is no obligation to stay if you need to be going. If you wish to take part, simply remain on zoom to greet the group and hear how others are doing.