



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, November 1st, 2020

All Saints' Day

**Please stand as you are able whether you are participating at home or in the congregation's sanctuary.*

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: Almighty God, you have declared yourself to be a God of the living. You raised Jesus bodily from the dead and bodily he ascended into heaven. Hasten the day of his return. We entrust our lives, and the lives of our brothers and sisters who have died, into his care so that all of our spirits might rest in peace, and that we might continue to be strengthened in communion together, as we wait for the day of resurrection when all his saints will rise to meet him, our glorious Saviour, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Mark Anderson

Congregational Life and Ministry

Chris Senger

*Song of Gathering

"Days of Elijah"

**These are the days of Ezekiel, the dry bones becoming as flesh;
And these are the days of your servant, David, rebuilding a temple of praise.
And these are the days of the harvest, the fields are as white in the world;
And we are the labourers in your vineyard declaring the word of the Lord.**

**Behold he comes, riding on the clouds, shining like the sun, at the trumpet call;
Lift your voice, it's the year of jubilee, and out of Zion's hill salvation comes.**

*Call to Worship and Invocation

Richard Hovey

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

“Jesus lives, and so shall I”

#224, v. 1, 3, 4, 5

**Jesus lives, and so shall I. Death! thy sting is gone forever!
He for me hath deigned to die, lives, the bands of death to sever.
He shall raise me from the dust:
Jesus is my hope and trust.**

**Jesus lives, and by his grace, vict'ry o'er my passions giving,
I will cleanse my heart and ways, ever to his glory living.
Me he raises from the dust:
Jesus is my hope and trust.**

**Jesus lives! I know full well naught from him my heart can sever,
Life nor death nor pow'rs of hell, joy nor grief, henceforth forever.
None of all his saints is lost:
Jesus is my hope and trust.**

**Jesus lives, and death is now but my entrance into glory.
Courage, then, my soul, for thou hast a crown of life before thee;
Thou shalt find thy hopes were just:
Jesus is my hope and trust.**

We Listen to God

Gift of Music

John Nelson

Scripture Lessons

Brenda Beckman-Long

New Testament Lesson: Romans 8.31-39

Responsorial Reading: Psalm 31

Leader: In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me.

All: Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

Leader: I have passed out of mind like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.

All: For I hear the whispering of many — terror all around! — as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

Leader: But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, “You are my God.”

All: My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

Leader: O how abundant is your goodness that you have laid up for those who fear you, and accomplished for those who take refuge in you, in the sight of everyone!

All: In the shelter of your presence you hide them from human plots; you hold them safe under your shelter from contentious tongues.

Leader: Love the Lord, all you his saints. The Lord preserves the faithful, but abundantly repays the one who acts haughtily.

All: Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord.

*Gloria Patri

#623

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 Lesson: Matthew 22.23, 29 - 33

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Children’s Blessing
Sermon

Joel Russell-MacLean

*Hymn of Preparation

“Agnus Dei”

Michael W. Smith

Alleluia! Alleluia! For the Lord God Almighty reigns (repeat).

Alleluia! Holy! Holy are you Lord God Almighty.

Worthy is the Lamb. Worthy is the Lamb.

You are Holy. Holy, are you Lord God Almighty.

Worthy is the Lamb. Worthy is the Lamb. Amen.

*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 the Supper
Confession
Assurance of Pardon

Joel Russell-MacLean

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

All: **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

Annabel Robinson

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

Joel Russell-MacLean

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!**

Minister: Come Holy Spirit, be with us as we take this bread and cup as genuine symbols of the body and blood of Jesus. Unite us to Jesus and bring us, in the end, with all the faithful, to resurrection and everlasting life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

Communion

We Respond to God

*Hymn for Departing

“For All the Saints”

#546, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6

**For all the saints who from their labours rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the dark-ness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**O blest communion, fellowship divine,
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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.