



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, October 25, 2020

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: Lord, may your grace always go ahead of us and follow us, and lead us continually to be given over to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *BCP*

Music for Gathering

Mark Anderson

Congregational Life and Ministry

John Nelson

*Song of Gathering

“Lift high the name of Jesus”

By Keith & Kristyn Getty

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus, our Light.

No other name on earth can save, can raise our soul to life.

He opens up our eyes to see the harvest he has grown.

We labor in his fields of grace as he leads sinners home.

O sing, my soul, and tell all he's done,

Till the earth and heavens are filled with his glory. *(Repeat)*

*Call to Worship and Invocation

John Nelson

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

“Days of Elijah”

**These are the days of Elijah, declaring the word of the Lord;
And these are the days of your servant, Moses, righteousness being restored.
And though these are days of great trial, of famine and darkness and sword;
Still we are the voice in the desert crying, “Prepare ye the way of the Lord.”**

(Chorus:)

**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.**

**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.**

(Chorus)

Children’s Blessing

Joel Russell-MacLean

Confession of Sin

Kayely Rich

Assurance of Pardon

Gift of Music

Karen Martin

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

“Tell Out My Soul”

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**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.**

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
His mercy sure, from age to age to same;
His holy Name--the Lord, the Mighty One.**

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.**

**Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and for evermore!**

Responsorial Reading: Psalm 119.73-80

Lynette Wollbaum

Leader: Your hands have made and fashioned me; give me understanding that I may learn your commandments.

All: Those who fear you shall see me and rejoice, because I have hoped in your word.

Leader: I know, O Lord, that your judgments are right, and that in faithfulness you have humbled me.

All: Let your steadfast love become my comfort according to your promise to your servant.

Leader: Let your mercy come to me, that I may live; for your law is my delight.

All: Let the arrogant be put to shame, because they have subverted me with guile; as for me, I will meditate on your precepts.

Leader: Let those who fear you turn to me, so that they may know your decrees.

All: May my heart be blameless in your statutes, so that I may not be put to shame.

*Gloria Patri

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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.

New Testament Lesson: Philemon

Sermon

“Abounding in Thanksgiving”

Joel Russell-MacLean

*Hymn of Response

“We Are God’s People”

#283

**We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,
Born of God’s Spirit, established by God’s Word;
Our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in him we stand:
O let us live transparently and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.**

**We are God’s loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord,
For we have known it, the love of God outpoured;
Now let us learn how to return the gifts of love once given:
O let us share each joy and care, and live with a zeal that pleases heaven.**

**We are the Body of which the Lord is head,
Called to obey him, now risen from the dead;
He wills us be a family, diverse yet truly one:
O let us give our gifts to God, and so shall God’s work on earth be done.**

**We are a temple, the Spirit’s dwelling place,
Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God’s grace;
We die alone, for on its own each ember loses fire:
Yet joined in one the flame burns on to give warmth and light, and to inspire.**

Prayers of the People

Ron Phillips

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

John Nelson

*Response of Praise

“Praise the Lord”

Congregation

**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

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Mark Anderson