



# First Baptist Church

*A Place To Belong*

## Worship Service for Sunday, February 14th, 2021

Transfiguration Sunday

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

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

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**Silent Prayer:** Father, on the holy mountain you revealed your well-beloved Son wonderfully transfigured. In your mercy, grant us such a vision of his divine majesty, so that we, being purified and strengthened by your grace, may be transformed into his likeness. Amen. *From the BCP*

#### Music for Gathering

"Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah"

"Courante"

"Ride the Chariot, Lord"

"Simple Gifts"

#### First Baptist Reflections

Victor Harbidge & John Nelson ('91)

Paul Anderson ('17)

Luther College High School Girls' Choir (MYM '04)

Joseph Martin (MYM '12)

Mark Anderson

#### Opportunities for Life and Service

Richard Hovey

#### Morning Chimes

Mark Anderson

\*The Introit

"Come Christians, Be Committed"

*(tune- Hymn of Joy #1)*

**Come in praise and adoration, all who on Christ's name believe.**

**Worship him with consecration, grace and love you will receive.**

**For his grace give him the glory, for the Spirit and the Word.**

**In your work with him find favour, and with joy his praises sing.**

\*Call to Worship and Prayer

Richard Hovey

Leader: Welcome in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

## **We Approach God**

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\*Hymn of Praise

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

**Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us; set us free by the truth you now bring us,  
Shine on me, shine on me.**

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!**

**Lord, I come to your awesome presence, from the shadows into your radiance;  
By the blood I may enter your brightness,  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.  
Shine on me, shine on me.**

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!**

**As we gaze on your kingly brightness so our faces display your likeness.  
Ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here may our lives tell your story.  
Shine on me, shine on me.**

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!**

Children’s Blessing

Joel Russell-MacLean

Gift of Music

Christa Walsh

## **We Listen to God**

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\*Hymn of Preparation

“Immortal, Invisible”

#25

**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible, hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might,  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.**

**To all, life thou givest, to both great and small.  
In all life thou livest, the true life of all.  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
And wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.**

**Great God of all glory, great God of all light,  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.  
All praise we would render; O help us to see  
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.**

Scripture Reader

Esther Wiens

Old Testament Lesson: 2 Kings 2:5-12

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 50:1-6

Leader: The mighty one, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**All: Out of the mountain of God, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.**

Leader: Our God comes and does not keep silence,

**All: Before God is a devouring fire, and a mighty tempest all around.**

Leader: God calls to the heavens above and to the earth, to judge the people:  
"Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

**All: The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge.**

\*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: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

\*Gospel Lesson: Mark 8:21 - 9:2-9

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Joel Russell-MacLean

## **We Respond to God**

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\*Hymn of Response

“This Is My Father's World”

#58

**This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas— God’s hand the wonders wrought.**

**This is my Father's world: the birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world: God shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, God speaks to me everywhere.**

**This is my Father's world: O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world: Why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is King: let the heavens ring! God reigns; let earth be glad!**

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

Joel Russell-MacLean

\*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

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Mark Anderson

*Join others online for '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.*