



# First Baptist Church

*A Place To Belong*

**Worship Service for Sunday, February 7th, 2021**

Fifth Sunday of Epiphany

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

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

**Silent Prayer:** Heavenly Father, all creatures look to you for sustenance. You open your hand and fill them with good things. Feed us again with the bread of heaven so that we no longer look to the things of this world for fulfilment. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Seasonal Music for Gathering

"Trumpet Solo"

"Heaven Medley"

"Light of the World"

"Praise the Lord"

Christmas Glory Reflections

Natalie Fuller ('03)

Joel Raney (MYM '13)

MYM Combined choir & Allison Arends (MYM '04)

VIVACE ('15)

Christa Walsh

Opportunities for Life and Service

Chris Senger

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

Chris Senger

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

“To God Be the Glory”

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**To God be the glory, great things he hath done:  
So loved he the world that he gave us his son,  
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the lifegate that all may go in.**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
And give him the glory, great things he hath done.**

**Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
To ev'ry believer the promise of God.  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
And give him the glory, great things he hath done.**

**Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son,  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
And give him the glory, great things he hath done.**

Children's Blessing

Joel Russell-MacLean

## **We Listen to God**

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Scripture Reader

Annabel Robinson

Epistle Lesson: Isaiah 40.21-31

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 147:1-11, 20

Leader: Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for God is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

**All: The Lord builds up Jerusalem; the Lord gathers the outcasts of Israel. The Lord heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.**

Leader: The Lord determines the number of the stars and gives to all of them their names.

**All: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; the Lord's understanding is beyond measure.**

Leader: The Lord lifts up the downtrodden and casts the wicked to the ground. The Lord covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.

**All: The Lord gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry.**

Leader: The Lord's delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;

**All: The Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.**

**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 Lesson: Mark 2.1-12

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Joel Russell-MacLean

## **We Celebrate**

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\*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

Joel Russell-MacLean

Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Gift of Music

"Given for You"

Rob Nelson, Choir, & Christa Walsh ('11)

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

John Nelson

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!**

Our Gifts and Offerings

Joel Russell-MacLean

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**

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Hymn for Departing

“Jesus Paid It All”

#210, 1, 3, 4

**I hear the Saviour say, “Thy strength indeed is small;  
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me thine all in all.”**

**Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;  
Sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.**

**For nothing good have I with which your grace to claim;  
I’ll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary’s Lamb.**

**Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;  
Sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.**

**And when before the throne I stand in him complete,  
“Jesus died my soul to save, my lips shall still repeat.**

**Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;  
Sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.**

\*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.*