



# First Baptist Church

*A Place To Belong*

## Worship Service for Sunday, February 13, 2022

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

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

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

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**Silent Prayer:** Merciful Father in heaven, help us not to harden our hearts today but to hear you and obey you and to enter into your rest. We ask this in Jesus' name, who sits at the right hand of your throne of grace. Amen.

Music for Gathering

"Largo"  
(Reinecke)

Mark Anderson

Morning Chimes

Mark Anderson

Opportunities for Life and Service

Chris Senger

\*The Introit

"Christ, Be Our Light"  
(Bernadette Farrell)

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness.**

**Longing for truth, we turn to you.**

**Make us your own, your holy people,**

**Light for the world to see.**

**Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.**

**Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

\* Call to Worship and Prayer

Chris Senger

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**

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\*Hymn of Praise

“Wonderful Words of Life”

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**Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life,  
Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life;  
Words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty.**

**Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life,  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.**

**Christ, the blessed one, gives to all wonderful words of life;  
Sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life;  
All so freely given, wooing us to heaven.**

**Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life,  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.**

**Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life;  
Offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life;  
Jesus, only Saviour, sanctify forever.**

**Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life,  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.**

Children’s Blessing

Kayely Rich

Gift of Music

“Wonderful Peace”

Karen Martin

Confession of Sin  
Assurance of Pardon

Joel Russell-MacLean

## **We Listen to God**

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\*Hymn of Approach

“Jesus, Be the Centre”  
(Michael Frye)

**Jesus, be the centre**

**Be my source, be my light, Jesus.**

**Jesus, be the centre**

**Be my hope, be my song, Jesus.**

**Be the fire in my heart, be the wind in these sails**

**Be the reason that I live, Jesus, Jesus.**

**Jesus, be my vision**

**Be my path, be my guide, Jesus.**

Scripture Reader

Rosemary Ward

Epistle Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5: 14-20

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 107

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

**All: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble**

Leader: Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the mighty waters;

**All: They saw the deeds of the Lord, his wondrous works in the deep.**

Leader: For he commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea.

**All: They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths; their courage melted away in their calamity;**

Leader: They reeled and staggered like drunkards, and were at their wits' end.

**All: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out from their distress;**

Leader: He made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.

**All: Then they were glad because they had quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven.**

**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: John 6:15-27

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“For the Life of the World”

Joel Russell-MacLean

## **We Respond to God**

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\*Hymn of Response

“Lavish love, Abundant Beauty”

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**Lavish love, abundant beauty, gracious gifts for heart and hand,  
Life that fills the soul and senses—all burst forth at your command.  
Lord, our Lord, Eternal Father, Great Creator, God and Friend,  
Boundless power gave full expression to your love which knows no end.**

**Who am I that you should love me, meet my every need from birth?  
Why invest yourself so fully in a creature made of earth?  
In your loving heart you planned me, fashioned me with greatest care;  
Through my soul you breathed your Spirit, planted your own image there.**

**I am yours, Eternal Father, all my body, mind, and heart.  
Take and use me to your glory, form yourself in every part.  
Lord, your love brings joy and gladness flowing forth within my soul.  
May my very breath and being rise to you, their source and goal.**

Prayers of the People

Chris Senger

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 and Offerings

Joel Russell-MacLean

