



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, August 7, 2022

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

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

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: Thank you, wise and kind God! You give us insight. You paint the vision for a lifetime of abundance with you. You invite us to join you in waiting with hope. Like Abram and Sarai, we pause to soak up your love for us. Free us to follow your pathway of relationship. We praise you for the faith you are growing in us! Amen.

Music for Gathering

“Sonata in B Minor”
(Scarlatti)

Grace Liu

Opportunities for Life and Service

Chris Senger

*The Introit

“Come Christians Join to Sing”

#108

Come Christians join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;

Praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

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.

Welcoming One Another

We Approach God

*Hymn of Praise

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

#76

The children are invited to come forward during the singing of this song.

**O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!**

**Jesus! The name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.**

**He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.**

**Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come and leap, ye lame, for joy.**

**My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread thro’ all the earth abroad the honours of your name.**

Children’s Blessing

Jennifer Holtlander

Gift of Music

“Faith”

Marilyn Phillips

We Listen to God

Scripture Reader

Enoch Ernest

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 15:1-6

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23

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

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

Leader: Our God comes and does not keep silent; before him is a devouring fire and a mighty tempest all around him.

All: He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people:

Leader: "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.

Leader: "Hear, O my people, and I will speak, O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God.

All: Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me.

Leader: Mark this, then, you who forget God, or I will tear you apart, and there will be no one to deliver.

All: Those who bring thanksgiving as their sacrifice honour me; to those who go the right way, I will show the salvation of God."

Glory be 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: Luke 12:32-40

Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"God is a Good Leader"

Jennifer Holtslander

We Celebrate

*Hymn of Preparation

“Behold the Lamb”

(Keith & Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend)

**Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us: and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.**

**The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, torn for you: eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life, paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.**

**The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you: drink and remember
He drained death’s cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.**

**And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as his body here on earth.
As we share in his suffering, we proclaim: Christ will come again!
And we’ll join in the feast of heav’n around the table of the King.**

*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

Kayely Rich

Confession

Reade Holtslander

Assurance of Pardon

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

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.

The Words of Consecration

Kayely Rich

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

Kayely Rich

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 Depart to Serve God

*Hymn for Departing

“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

#350

**'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take him at his word;
Just to rest upon his promise, just to know, “Thus saith the Lord.”**

**Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!**

**O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood;
Just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood!**

**Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!**

**Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.**

**Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!**

**I'm so glad I learned to trust him, precious Jesus, Saviour, Friend;
And I know that he is with me, will be with me to the end.**

**Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!**

*Benediction

Jennifer Holtslander

Music for Departing

“June: Barcarolle”
(Tchaikovsky)

Grace Liu

Following the worship service on Sunday, August 14th, there will be a brief congregational meeting, both in person and for those on Zoom. The meeting will not be recorded so please plan to attend in person.

The search committee for the Children and Family Minister position is pleased to announce that a candidate is being recommended for this position. After a question and answer time, the committee will be seeking the congregation's affirmation for hiring this person. As the candidate is still working in another position, the individual will not be named at this time. Those on the “First this week” email list will receive further details, including the candidate's name, by email, during the week of August 8th.

For those of you on Zoom, 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 be invited to a group and hear how others are doing.