



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, November 20, 2022

The Sunday Before Advent

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

Silent Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, awaken and strengthen our wills so that we would seek you and obey you every day, for you alone are our light and hope and the salvation of the whole world. In your name we pray. Amen.

Music for Gathering

“Trumpet Voluntary in C”
(Handel; Arr. R. Hollis)

juBELLation
Matthew Field, trumpet
Mark Anderson, organ

Opportunities for Life and Service

Kayely Rich

Morning Chimes

Mark Anderson

*The Introit

“I Love Thy Kingdom Lord”

#280

**I love thy church, O God: her walls before thee stand,
Dear as the apple of thine eye and graven on thy hand.**

**For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers ascend;
To her my cares and toils be giv’n, ’til toils and cares shall end.**

Call to Worship and Prayer

Joel Russell-MacLean

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

“Hear the Call of the Kingdom”
(Stuart Townend, Keith & Kristyn Getty)

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

Hear the call of the kingdom, lift your eyes to the King.

Let his song rise within you as a fragrant offering

Of how God, rich in mercy, came in Christ to redeem

All who trust in his unfailing grace.

King of heaven, we will answer the call; we will follow, bringing hope to the world,

Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim salvation in Jesus’ name.

Hear the call of the Kingdom to be children of light,

With the mercy of heaven, the humility of Christ;

Walking justly before him, loving all that is right;

That the life of Christ may shine through us.

King of heaven, we will answer the call; we will follow, bringing hope to the world,

Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim salvation in Jesus’ name.

Hear the call of the Kingdom to reach out to the lost;

With the Father’s compassion, in the wonder of the cross.

Bringing peace and forgiveness, and a hope yet to come.

Let the nations put their trust in him.

King of heaven, we will answer the call; we will follow, bringing hope to the world,

Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim salvation in Jesus’ name.

Children’s Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

Gift of Music

“Hallelujah By and By”
(Stan Pethel)

Sanctuary Choir

For those who would like to follow along, the words are printed on page 7.

Confession

Chris Senger

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Approach

“He Hideth My Soul”

#496

**A wonderful Saviour is Jesus my Lord, a wonderful Saviour to me.
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock, where rivers of pleasure I see.**

**He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shadows a dry, thirsty land.
He hideth my life in the depths of his love, and covers me there with his hand,
And covers me there with his hand.**

**A wonderful Saviour is Jesus my Lord—He taketh my burden away.
He holdeth me up, and I shall not be moved, he giveth me strength as my day.
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shadows a dry, thirsty land.
He hideth my life in the depths of his love, and covers me there with his hand,
And covers me there with his hand.**

**With numberless blessings each moment he crowns, and filled with his fullness divine,
I sing in my rapture, “Oh, glory to God for such a Redeemer as mine!”**

**He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shadows a dry, thirsty land.
He hideth my life in the depths of his love, and covers me there with his hand,
And covers me there with his hand.**

**When clothed in his brightness, transported I rise to meet him in clouds of the sky,
His perfect salvation, his wonderful love, I’ll shout with the millions on high.**

**He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that shadows a dry, thirsty land.
He hideth my life in the depths of his love, and covers me there with his hand,
And covers me there with his hand.**

Old Testament Lesson: Nehemiah 13: 6-31 (selected verses) (pp. 442-443, Old Testament)

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 15

Leader: O Lord, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

All: Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right and speak the truth from their heart;

Leader: Those who do not slander with their tongue and do no evil to their friends nor heap shame upon their neighbours;

All: Those who stand by their oath even to their hurt;

Leader: Those who do not lend money at interest and do not take a bribe against the innocent.

All: Those who do these things shall never be moved.

*Gloria Patri

#623

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: Luke 19:41-44 (p. 83, New Testament)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The End”

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

“It Is Well With My Soul”

#493

**When peace like a river attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
“It is well, it is well with my soul.”**

It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

**Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control:
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed his own blood for my soul.**

It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

**My sin—oh the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin—not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more;
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!**

It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

**And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend;
Even so—it is well with my soul.**

It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

Prayers of the People

Owen Winter

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, forever and ever. Amen.

Our Gifts and Offerings

Joel Russell-MacLean

Gift of Music

“Give Thanks”

juBELLation

(Words & Music: Henry Smith; Arr. John F. Wilson)

We Depart to Serve God

*Hymn for Departing

“Glorious Is Thy Name Most Holy”

(Tune: #454)

**In the midst of time we journey, from thy hand comes each new day;
We would use it in thy service, humbly, wisely, while we may.
For our world of need and anguish, we would lift to thee our prayer.
Faithful stewards of thy bounty – may we with each other share.**

*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

“It Is Well With My Soul”
(Hostetler)

Mark Anderson

Following the worship service, you are invited to the lower hall for “A Time for Friends”—an opportunity to fellowship with one another and enjoy some refreshments together.

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.

Lyrics for "Hallelujah By and By"

How we love to get together just to sing our fav'rite songs
'Bout our journey to our home beyond the skies;
Songs like "Looking for a City," and "The Good Old Gospel Ship,"
"Will the Circle be Unbroken By and By?"

And when the roll is called up yonder, when the roll is called up yonder,
When the roll is called up yonder, when the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

We just love the high sopranos, and the basses way down low,
And the tenors and the altos blend so sweet.

It's the harmony of heaven, what a joy to have a part,
When our loved ones up in glory we shall meet.

Oh the land of cloudless day, oh the land of an unclouded sky,
Oh, they tell me of a home where no storm clouds rise;
Oh, they tell me of an unclouded day.

In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore.
In the sweet by and by, we shall meet on that beautiful shore.

When our voices join together in the spirit of the Lord,
There's a joy down in our hearts we can't describe.
So we'll keep the songs a-coming and enjoy them ev'ryone,
Till we meet him in that mansion in the sky.

I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away in the morning;
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away, by and by.