



# *First Baptist Church*

## **Worship Service for Sunday, August 25th, 2024** 14th Sunday in Pentecost

*Welcome! Young children are welcome in the service or in our staffed nursery.*

*The collection is taken at the doorways as you enter the sanctuary.*

*\*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:** Almighty God, our ancestors told us you were faithful, and you have been so good to us. When we must wait in life, grant us patience. Grant us grace in those times to recognize good things around us despite of our circumstances. Amen.

Music for Gathering Grace Liu

Opportunities for Life and Service Cheryl Johnston

Morning Chimes Oluseye Popoola

\*The Introit "Blessed Be Your Name" *by Beth and Matt Redman*

**Blessed be your name, when the sun's shining down on me,  
When the world's "all as it should be," blessed be your name.  
Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering,  
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name.**

**Every blessing you pour out, I'll turn back to praise.  
And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name.**

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**

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\*Hymn of Praise

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

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*The children are invited forward and will remain at the front until the hymn of approach.*

**Guide me, O thou great Jehovah! Pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty, hold me with thy powerful hand:  
Bread of Heaven, Bread of Heaven,  
Feed me till I want no more (I want no more),  
Feed me till I want no more.**

**Open thou the crystal fountain, whence the healing streams do flow,  
Let the fire, cloudy pillar, lead me all my journey through:  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,  
Be thou still my strength and shield (my strength and shield),  
Be thou still my strength and shield.**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;  
Bear me through the swelling current, land me safe on Canaan's side;  
Songs of praises, songs of praises,  
I will ever sing to thee (I'll sing to thee),  
I will ever sing to thee.**

Children's Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

**\*Hymn of Praise**          **“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”**  
*(Tune: Goss)*

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!**

**Praise him for his grace and favour to our fathers in distress.  
Praise him, still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness!**

**Fatherlike he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows.  
In his hand he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows!**

**Angels, help us to adore him; we behold him face to face.  
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace!**

Prayer of Confession  
Assurance of Pardon

Joel Russell-MacLean

**\*Hymn of Approach**          **“Praise the Lord”**  
*(arr. Jeff Sotropa)*

**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!**

## **We Listen to God**

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Scripture Reader

Heather Russell-MacLean

Epistle Lesson: Ephesians 5:1-2

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Responsorial Lesson: 2 Samuel 23:1-7

Leader: Now these are the last words of David:

**All: The oracle of David, son of Jesse, the oracle of the man whom God exalted, the anointed of the God of Jacob, the favourite of the Strong One of Israel:**

Leader: The spirit of the Lord speaks through me; the Lord's word is upon my tongue.

**All: The God of Israel has spoken; the Rock of Israel has said to me: "One who rules over people justly, ruling in the fear of God,**

Leader: Is like the light of morning, like the sun rising on a cloudless morning, gleaming from the rain on the grassy land."

**All: Is not my house like this with God? For God has made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and secure. Will God not cause to prosper all my help and my desire?**

Leader: But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away, for they cannot be picked up with the hand;

**All: To touch them one uses an iron bar or the shaft of a spear. And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.**

\*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.**

\*Gospel Lesson: The Gospel According to Mark 10:13-16

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Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **We Respond to God**

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\*Hymn of Response      “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

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**Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!**

**Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Dying once he all doth save, Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave, Alleluia!**

**Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!**

**Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!  
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!**

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

## **We Depart to Serve God**

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\*Hymn for Departing

“To God Be the Glory”

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**To God be the glory—great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

*(Refrain:)*

**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 has done!**

**O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!  
To every believer the promise of God;  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. *(Refrain)***

**Great things he has taught us, great things he has 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. *(Refrain)***

\*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Oluseye Popoola

“A Time For Friends”

Everyone is invited outside for refreshments following the service.

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