



First Baptist Church

Worship Service for Sunday, October 20th, 2024 22nd Sunday of 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

Silent Prayer: Father in heaven, may our homes be a refuge where we are reminded and encouraged to pray alone and with others, where we experience forgiveness and the call to holiness, and where we enter your presence and know you more. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Xavier Russell-MacLean

Opportunities for Life and Service

Cheryl Johnston

*The Introit

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

#560

**For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

Call to Worship and Prayer

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

Chris Senger

We Approach God

*Hymn of Praise

"Only Our Holy God"

"Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, Rich Thompson"

The children are invited forward before going downstairs for their own time of worship.

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?

Who else could make every king bow down?

Who else can whisper and darkness trembles? Only our holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises?

What other splendour outshines the sun?

What other majesty rules with justice? Only our holy God.

(Refrain:)

Come and behold him, the One and the Only.

Cry out, sing holy, forever a holy God. Come and worship our holy God.

What other glory consumes like fire? What other power can raise the dead?

What other name remains undefeated? Only our holy God.

Who else could rescue me from my failing? Who else would offer his only Son?

Who else invites me to call him, Father? Only our holy God. *(Refrain)*

Children's Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

Gift of Music

"A Celtic Thanksgiving"

Sanctuary Choir

Words: J. Paul Williams; Music: Joseph M. Martin

Lyrics can be found at back this bulletin

*Hymn of Confession

“Refiner’s Fire”

by Brian Doerksen

**Purify my heart, let me be as gold
And precious silver.
Purify my heart, let me be as gold, pure gold.**

**Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
Is to be holy, set apart for you, Lord.
I choose to be holy, set apart for you my Master; Ready to do your will.**

**Purify my heart, cleanse me from within
And make me holy.
Purify my heart, cleanse me from my sin, deep within.**

**Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
Is to be holy, set apart for you, Lord.
I choose to be holy, set apart for you my Master; Ready to do your will.**

Confession of Sin
Assurance of Pardon

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Listen to God

*Hymns of Approach "Happy the Home When God Is There"

#536

**Happy the home when God is there, and love fills every-one,
When with united work and prayer, The Master's will is done.**

**Happy the home where God's strong love, is starting to appear;
Where all the children hear his fame, and parents hold him dear.**

**Happy the home where prayer is heard, and praise is everywhere;
Where parents love the sacred word, and its true wisdom share.**

**Lord, let us in our homes agree, this blessed peace to gain;
Unite our hearts in love to thee, and love to all will reign.**

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

#364

**My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine;
For thee all the follies of sin I resign;
My gracious redeemer, my saviour art thou;
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.**

**I love thee because thou hast first loved me
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow;
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.**

**I'll love thee in life, I will love thee in death,
And praise thee as long as thou lendest me breath,
And say when the deathdew lies cold on my brow:
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.**

**In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:
If ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now**

Scripture Reader

Joel Russell-MacLean

Epistle Lesson: Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 5:21-33

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Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 127

Leader: Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the Lord guards the city, the guard keeps watch in vain.

All: It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives sleep to his beloved.

Leader: Sons are indeed a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward.

All: Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the sons of one's youth.

Leader: Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them. He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

*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: The Gospel According to Mark 10:1-8

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Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

“Come All Christians”

#455

**Come, all Christians, be committed to the service of the Lord.
Make your lives for him more fitted, tune your hearts with one accord.
Come into his courts with gladness, each their sacred vows renew,
Turn away from sin and sadness, be transformed with life anew.**

**Of your time and talents give you, they are gifts from God above;
To be used by Christians freely to proclaim his wondrous love.
Come again to serve the Saviour, tithes and offerings with you bring.
In your work, with him find favour, and with joy his praises sing.**

**God’s command to love each other is required of every one;
Showing mercy to one another mirrors his redemptive plan.
In compassion he has given of his love that is divine;
On the cross sins were forgiven; joy and peace are fully thine.**

**Come in praise and adoration, all who on Christ's name believe.
Worship him with consecration, grace and love will you receive.
For his grace give him the glory, for the Spirit and the word,
And repeat the gospel story 'til all men his name have heard.**

Prayers of the People

Merv Hepting

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

*Hymn for Departing

“Doxology”

#625

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Xavier Russell-MacLean

Lebanese Baptists Partnership - Fundraiser Luncheon CBM and Thimar

Everyone is invited downstairs for a Lebanese meal, to listen to updates and to a live conversation with Evangeline Hammond, CBM staff at Thimar in Beirut. All our donations go to Thimar to support the Baptist Seminary, their children’s ministries, and their care of those made homeless by war.

Parents:

Please go to meet your children in Godly Play and Nursery as they can only be dismissed into your care.

"A Celtic Thanksgiving"

(Words: J. Paul Williams; Music: Joseph M. Martin)

I will give thanks to the Lord. (I will give thanks to the Lord.)

I will give praise to the God of creation.

I will give thanks to the Lord. (I will give thanks to the Lord.)

I will give praise, sing unto the Rock of salvation.

Thank You Lord! Yours is the power and glory.

Thank You Lord! Yours is the honor and praise!

This is my Father's world.

The birds their carols raise.

The morning light, the lily white

Declare their Maker's praise.

This is my Father's world.

He shines in all that's fair.

In the rustling grass, I hear Him pass.

He speaks to me everywhere.

I will give thanks to the Lord. (I will give thanks to the Lord.)

I will give praise to the Hope of the nations.

I will give thanks to the Lord. (I will give thanks to the Lord.)

I will give thanks with a song of glad adoration.

Thank you, Lord! Yours is the power and glory.

Thank you, Lord! Yours is the honour and praise.

Thank you, Lord! Yours is the power and glory.

Thank you, Lord! Yours is the honour and praise.

I will give thanks to the Lord!

This is my Father's world.

I will give thanks to the Lord!

This is my Father's world. This is my Father's world.

I will give thanks! I will give thanks! I will give thanks! I will give thanks!