



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, October 26, 2025

20th Sunday in the Season 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: Lord Jesus Christ, thank you for seeking us out and walking with us. Thank you for our church, for the scriptures, for communion, and for all the ways you help us to know you, even though we cannot see you. Help us to know and to love you more. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Xavier Russell-MacLean

Opportunities for Life and Service

Cheryl Johnston

*The Introit

"The Goodness of Jesus"

*(Fiona Aghajanian, Harrison Druery, Michael Farren,
Jaywan Maxwell, Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson)*

Come you weary heart now to Jesus.

Come you anxious soul now and see.

There is perfect love and comfort in your tears.

Rest here in his wondrous peace.

Refrain:

Oh the goodness, the goodness of Jesus.

Satisfied, he is all that I need.

May it be, come what may, that I rest all my days

In the goodness of Jesus.

Come find what this world cannot offer.

Come and find your joy here complete.

Taste the living water, never thirst again.

Rest here in his wondrous peace. (Refrain)

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

“My Lighthouse”

(by Gareth Gilkeson and Chris Llewellyn; Arr. Dan Galbraith)

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

**In my wrestling and in my doubts,
In my failures you won't walk out.
Your great love will lead me through,
You are the peace in my troubled sea, whoa,
You are the peace in my troubled sea.**

**In the silence, you won't let go,
In the questions, your truth will hold.
Your great love will lead me through.
You are the peace in my troubled sea, whoa,
You are the peace in my troubled sea.**

Refrain:

**My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse,
Shining in the darkness. I will follow you, whoa.
My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse.
I will trust the promise,
You will carry me safe to shore,
Safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore.**

**I won't fear what tomorrow brings,
With each morning I'll rise and sing.
My God's love will lead me through,
You are the peace in my troubled sea, whoa,
You are the peace in my troubled sea, oh! You are my Light. (Refrain)**

*Hymn of Praise

"You Are My All in All"

(by Jason Ingram, Brooke Ligertwood & Scott Ligertwood)

You are my strength when I am weak.

You are the treasure that I seek.

You are my all in all.

Seeking you as a precious jew'l,

Lord, to give up I'd be a fool,

You are my all in all.

Refrain:

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.

Jesus Lamb of God, worthy is your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,

Rising again I bless your name;

You are my all in all.

When I fall down, you pick me up;

When I am dry, you fill my cup;

You are my all in all. *(Refrain)*

Call to Confession

Chris Senger

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen to God

* Hymn of Preparation

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

#26

**A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.**

**Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God’s own choosing.
You ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same;
And he must win the battle.**

**And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God has willed his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure;
One little word shall fell him.**

**That Word above all earthly powers no thanks to them abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God’s truth abideth still;
His kingdom is forever!**

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 77:11-20

Leader: I will call to mind the deeds of the Lord; I will remember your wonders of old.

All: I will meditate on all your work and muse on your mighty deeds.

Leader: Your way, O God, is holy. What god is so great as our God?

All: You are the God who works wonders;

Leader: You have displayed your might among the peoples.

All: With your strong arm you redeemed your people, the descendants of Jacob and Joseph.

Leader: When the waters saw you, O God, when the waters saw you, they were afraid; the very deep trembled.

All: The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered; your arrows flashed on every side.

Leader: The crash of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings lit up the world;

All: The earth trembled and shook.

Leader: Your way was through the sea, your path through the mighty waters, yet your footprints were unseen.

All: You led your people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

*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 24:13-35 (p. 90, New Testament section)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The Journey: ‘Seen and Unseen’”

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

"He Lives"

#220

**I serve a risen Saviour, he's in the world today;
I know that he is living, whatever men may say;
I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer,
And just the time I need him he's always near.**

Refrain:

**He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives?
He lives within my heart.**

**In all the world around me I see his loving care,
And though my heart grows weary, I never will despair;
I know that he is leading, through all the stormy blast,
The day of his appearing will come at last. (*Refrain*)**

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ, the King!
The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and kind. (*Refrain*)**

Prayers of the People

Joel Russell-MacLean

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 him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Xavier Russell-MacLean

Following the 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.

Parents: Please go to meet your children in the nursery and children’s program as they can only be dismissed into your care.

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