



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, January 11, 2026

The Baptism of Jesus

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: Jesus, you were baptized for our sakes in the river Jordan: you bless creation, cleanse us from sin, and redeem our bodies from illness and death. Fill us with the Holy Spirit and help us to follow you. In your name we pray. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Calla Dawn Brooks

Opportunities for Life and Service

Cheryl Johnston

*The Introit

“Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)”

(by Paul Baloche)

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to you; we turn to you;

Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for you; we long for you;

When we're with you, we find strength to face the day.

In your presence all our fears are met, and from our hearts we say:

Hosanna! Hosanna!

Life-light of God, shine on us; you bring the age of ages.

Hosanna! Hosanna!

You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises.

Hosanna! Hosanna!

Call to Worship and Prayer

Cheryl Johnston

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

“We Come, O Christ, to You”

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

**We come, O Christ, to you, true Son of God and man,
By whom all things consist, in whom all life began.
In you alone we live and move and have our being in your love.**

**You are the way to God, your blood our ransom paid;
In you we face our Judge and Maker unafraid.
Before the throne absolved we stand; your love has met your law’s demand.**

**You are the living truth; all wisdom dwells in you,
The source of every skill, the one eternal true!
O great I AM! In you we rest, sure answer to our every quest.**

**You only are true life to know you is to live
The more abundant life that earth can never give.
O risen Lord! We live in you: in us each day your life renew!**

**We worship you, Lord Christ, our Saviour and our King;
To you our youth and strength adoringly we bring:
So fill our hearts that all may view your life in us and turn to you!**

Children’s Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

Gift of Music

“Psalm”
(Words printed on p. 7)

Sanctuary Choir

Call to Confession

Joel Russell-MacLean

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Preparation

“Way Maker”

(by Osinachi Okoro; Arr. Dan Galbraith)

You are here, moving in our midst; I worship you, I worship you.

You are here, working in this place; I worship you, I worship you.

You are here, moving in our midst; I worship you, I worship you.

You are here, working in this place; I worship you, I worship you.

Refrain:

You are way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness,

My God, that is who you are.

You are way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness,

My God, that is who you are.

You are here, touching every heart; I worship you, I worship you.

You are here, healing every heart; I worship you, I worship you.

You are here, turning lives around; I worship you, I worship you.

You are here, mending every heart; I worship you, I worship you. *(Refrain)*

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 42:1-9 (pp. 670-671, Old Testament section)

New Testament Lesson: Acts 10:34-43 (pp. 129-130, New Testament section)

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 29

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

All: Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendour.

Leader: The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

All: The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

Leader: The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

All: The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

Leader: The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

All: The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl and strips the forest bare, and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

Leader: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

All: May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

*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: Matthew 3:13-17 (p. 3, New Testament section)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

“Tell Me the Story of Jesus”

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**Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart ev’ry word;
Tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard.
Tell how the angels in chorus sang as they welcomed his birth,
“Glory to God in the highest! Peace and good tidings to earth.”**

Refrain:

**Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart ev’ry word;
Tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard.**

**Fasting alone in the desert, tell of the days that are past,
How for our sins he was tempted, yet was triumphant at last.
Tell of the years of his labour, tell of the sorrow he bore,
He was despised and afflicted, homeless, rejected, and poor. *(Refrain)***

**Tell of the cross where they nailed him, writhing in anguish and pain;
Tell of the grave where they laid him, tell how he liveth again.
Love in that story so tender, clearer than ever I see.
Stay, let me weep while you whisper, love paid the ransom for me. *(Refrain)***

Prayers of the People

Annabel Robinson

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

“Transfiguration Hymn”

(Words: Ken Bible; Tune: “Guide Me, O, Thou Great Jehovah (CWD Rhondda))

Jesus Lord, we see your splendour

Here and now by daily faith.

In our service, in our suffering

We will follow unafraid,

On from glory into glory

Till we see you face to face,

Till we see you face to face.

*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Calla Dawn Brooks

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/or children’s program, as they can only be dismissed into your care.

Psalm

(Natalie Sleeth)

I will lift up mine eyes, lift mine eyes to the hills,
From the mountains whence cometh my help,
To the mountains and hills far away.

I will lift up my heart, lift my heart to the Lord,
To the Lord who made heaven and earth,
I will lift up my heart day by day.

For the Lord is my keeper, nevermore shall I fear;
Though darkness surround me, I will be of good cheer;
I will lift up my voice, singing praises always,
Joyful praises to God evermore,
For the Lord is my strength and my stay.

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To sing praise and rejoice always.

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