



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Service for Sunday, June 21st, 2025
4th 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.*

Today is National Indigenous Peoples Day. First Baptist Church Regina and Regina were founded upon the traditional homeland of the Nehiyawak (Cree), Nakota (Assiniboine) Anishinaabe (Saulteaux), Lakota, and Dakota, and Michif (Metis). We acknowledge with gratitude the sacred covenant called Treaty 4 which defines our relationship with the Indigenous Peoples who have lived and cared for this land since beyond our historical reckoning. In obedience to Jesus and to one another, we are committed to the truth and to reconciliation.

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: God our Father, Lord of heaven and earth, knowing you is eternal and abundant life, serving you is perfect freedom: help us to hear your call upon our lives, to come to you, and to stay with you. Thank you for the shelter, rest, and peace we find in you. In Jesus' name we prayer. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Grace Liu

Opportunities for Life and Service

Joel Russell-MacLean

*The Introit

“God the Spirit”

(Matt Boswell and Samuel J. Stone)

**Author of the new creation, giver of the second birth,
May thy ceaseless renovation cleanse our souls from stains of earth.**

Refrain: **God, the Spirit, we adore thee, in the Triune-Godhead, One:
One in love and power and glory with the Father and the Son.**

**When we wander, Lord, direct us, keep us in the Master's way;
Let thy strong swift sword protect us warring in the evil day. (Refrain)**

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

“A Shelter in the Time of Storm”

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

**The Lord's our rock, in him we hide, a shelter in the time of storm;
Secure whatever ill betide, a shelter in the time of storm.**

Refrain:

**Oh, Jesus is a rock in a weary land, a weary land, a weary land;
Oh, Jesus is a rock in a weary land, a shelter in the time of storm.**

**A shade by day, defence by night, a shelter in the time of storm;
No fears alarm, no foes afright, a shelter in the time of storm. (Refrain)**

**The raging storms may round us beat, a shelter in the time of storm;
We'll never leave our safe retreat, a shelter in the time of storm. (Refrain)**

**O rock divine, O refuge dear, a shelter in the time of storm;
Be thou our helper ever near, a shelter in the time of storm. (Refrain)**

*Hymn of Praise

"We Cannot Measure How You Heal"

(John L. Bell)

**We cannot measure how You heal or answer every sufferer's prayer,
Yet we believe your grace responds where faith and doubt unite to care.
Your hands, though bloodied on the cross, survive to hold and heal and warn,
To carry all through death to life and cradle children yet unborn.**

**The pain that will not go away, the guilt that clings from things long past,
The fear of what the future holds, are present as if meant to last.
But present too is love which tends the hurt we never hoped to find,
The private agonies inside, the memories that haunt the mind.**

**So some have come who need your help and some have come to make
amends, As hands which shaped and saved the world are present in the touch
of friends. Lord, let your Spirit meet us here to mend the body, mind and soul,
To disentangle peace from pain and make your broken people whole.**

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Chris Senger

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Approach

“I Give Thanks”

(Brian Thiessen)

**You have shown me favour unending,
You have given your life for me,
And my heart knows of your goodness,
Your blood has covered me.**

**I will arise and give thanks to you, Lord my God,
And your name I will bless with my whole heart.
You have shown mercy,
You have shown mercy to me,
I give thanks to you Lord.**

**You have poured out your healing upon us,
You have set the captives free,
And we know it's not what we've done,
But by your hand alone.**

**We will arise and give thanks to you, Lord our God,
And your name we will bless with all our hearts,
You have shown mercy,
You have shown mercy to us,
We give thanks to you Lord.**

Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34 (p. 735, Old Testament section)

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 16

Leader: Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

All: I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

Leader: The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

All: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

Leader: I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

All: I keep the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Leader: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

All: For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.

Leader: You show me the path of life.

All: In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

*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 Matthew 11:25-29 (p. 12, NT section)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Knowing God Is Peace"

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response “What A Friend We Have in Jesus”

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**What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!**

**Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer!**

**Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Saviour, still our refuge - take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.**

Prayers of the People

Adoniram Holtslander

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

Adoniram Holtslander

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