



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, August 16, 2026

12th Sunday in the Season of Pentecost

*Welcome! Young children are welcome in their classes, in our staffed nursery, or in the service.
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, you are the only protector and provider in all creation. With you as our ruler and guide, may we pass through things temporal, in such a way that do not lose not the things eternal, as we endeavour to follow Jesus under the guidance of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Oluseye Popoola

Opportunities for Life and Service

Adoniram Holtslander

*The Introit

“Speak O Lord”

(Stuart Townend & Keith Getty)

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you

To receive the food of your holy word.

Take your truth, plant it deep in us;

Shape and fashion us in your likeness;

That the light of Christ might be seen today

In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.

Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us

All your purposes for your glory.

Call to Worship and Prayer

Adoniram Holtslander

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

*Hymns of Praise

"Deep Cries Out"

(William Matthews, Christiann Koepke)

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

I've got a River of living water, a Fountain that never will run dry.

It's an open heaven you're releasing and we will never be denied.

Refrain:

'Cause we're stirring up deep, deep wells, we're stirring up deep, deep waters.

We're gonna dance in the river, dance in the river.

'Cause we're stirring up deep, deep wells, we're stirring up deep, deep waters.

We're gonna jump in the river, jump in the river.

Deep cries out to, deep cries out to you. Deep cries out to, deep cries out to you.

We cry out to, we cry out to you, Jesus. (2x)

I've got a River of living water, a Fountain that never will run dry.

It's an open heaven you're releasing and we will never be denied. (Refrain)

"Behold Our God"

(by Jonathan Baird, Meghan Baird, Ryan Baird, and Stephen Altrogge)

Who has held the oceans in his hands?

Who has numbered every grain of sand?

Kings and nations tremble at his voice.

All creation rises to rejoice.

Refrain:

Behold our God, seated on his throne. Come, let us adore him.

Behold our King, nothing can compare. Come, let us adore him.

Who has given counsel to the Lord?

Who can question any of his words?

Who can teach, the one who knows all things?

Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds? (Refrain)

Who has felt the nails upon his hands?

Bearing all the guilt of sinful man,

God eternal, humbled to the grave,

Jesus, Saviour, risen now to reign. (Refrain)

*Hymn of Praise

"Father of Lights"

(John Barnett)

Father of Lights, you delight in your children. (2x)

Every good and perfect gift comes from you, (3x)

Father of lights.

Father of Lights you never change,

You have no turning. (2x)

Every good and perfect gift comes from you, (3x)

Father of lights.

Call to Confession

Joel Russell-MacLean

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Preparation

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

#88

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,

O thou of God and man the Son,

Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honour,

Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,

Robed in the blooming garb of spring:

Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer

Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,

And all the twinkling starry host:

Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer

Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Saviour! Lord of all the nations!

Son of God and Son of Man!

Glory and honor, praise, adoration,

Now and forevermore be thine.

Old Testament lesson: Isaiah 44:6-17 (pp. 673-674, Old Testament section)

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 97:1-7, 9

Leader: The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

All: Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

Leader: Fire goes before him and consumes his adversaries on every side.

All: His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

Leader: The mountains melt like wax before the Lord, before the Lord of all the earth.

All: The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples behold his glory.

Leader: All servants of images are put to shame, those who make their boast in worthless idols; all gods bow down before him.

All: For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

*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 22:15-22 (pp. 24-25, New Testament section)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The True Source of Everything We Need”

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

"This is my Father's World"

#58

**This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas—his hand the wonders wrought.**

**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.**

**This is my Father's world, oh let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: The battle is not done;
Jesus who died will be satisfied, and earth and heav'n be one.**

Prayers of the People

Norma 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

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Depart to Serve God

*Hymn for Departing

“Be Thou My Vision”

#382, vs 1 & 4

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**High King of heaven, my victory won;
May I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heav’n’s Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall;
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Oluseye Popoola

Following the service, you are invited outside for “Lemonade in the Shade”—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 classes, as they can only be dismissed into your care.

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