



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, October 11, 2026

20th 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: Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labour of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Xavier Russell-MacLean

Opportunities for Life and Service

Joel Russell-MacLean

*The Introit

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

#559

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest-home;

All is safely gathered in, e're the winter storms begin.

God our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied:

Come to God's own temple, come—raise the song of harvest-home.

All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield;

Wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown.

First the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear:

Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his harvest home;

From his field shall in that day all offenses purge away;

Give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,

But the fruitful ears to store in his garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest-home;

Gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;

There, forever purified, in thy presence to abide:

Come, with all thine angels, come—raise the glorious harvest-home.

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

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

#560

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

**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.**

**For the wonder of each hour, of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

**For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child;
Friends on earth and friends above; for all gentle thoughts and mild:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

**For thy church that evermore lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

**For thyself, best gift divine, to our race so freely given;
For that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**

Children’s Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

Gift of Music

“You Make Beautiful Things”

Chris and Adrianna Senger

Call to Confession

Chris Senger

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Preparation

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

#43

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

Refrain:

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (*Refrain*)**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (*Refrain*)**

Epistle lesson Romans 12:1-15 (pp. 161-162, New Testament section)

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 65 (Selected verses)

Leader: Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

All: You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

Leader: You water the earth's furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

All: You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

Leader: The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,

All: The meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

*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 17:11-18 (p. 80, New Testament section)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Living Thanksgiving"

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

"Blessed Be Your Name"

(Beth Redman and Matt Redman)

**Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where your streams of abundance flow, blessed be your name.
Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name.**

Refrain:

**Every blessing you pour out, I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name.
Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's "all as it should be," blessed be your name.
Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name. *(Refrain)***

Prayers of the People

Cheryl Johnston

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

Cheryl Johnston

We Depart to Serve God

*Hymn for Departing

“Now Thank We All Our God”

#556

**Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mothers’ arms hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.**

**O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.**

**All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God, whom earth and heav’n adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.**

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

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