



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, October 25, 2026

22nd 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: Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Calla-Dawn Brooks

Opportunities for Life and Service

Cheryl Johnston

*The Introit

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

#559, v 1

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.

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

“At Calvary”

#338

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

**Years I spent in vanity and pride,
Caring not my Lord was crucified,
Knowing not it was for me he died on Calvary.**

Refrain:

**Mercy there was great and grace was free,
Pardon there was multiplied to me,
There my burdened soul found liberty—at Calvary.**

**By God’s word at last my sin I learned—
Then I trembled at the law I’d spurned,
Till my guilty soul imploring turned to Calvary. *(Refrain)***

**Now I’ve giv’n to Jesus ev’rything,
Now I gladly own him as my King,
Now my raptured soul can only sing of Calvary. *(Refrain)***

**O the love that drew salvation’s plan!
O the grace that brought it down to man!
O the mighty gulf that God did span at Calvary. *(Refrain)***

Children’s Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

Gift of Music

“Sing to the Lord, Rejoice”
(Words and credits on p. 6)

Sanctuary Choir

Call to Confession

Joel Russell-MacLean

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Preparation

“The Passion”

(Scott Ligertwood, Brooke Ligertwood, and Chris Davenport)

The passion of our Saviour, the mercy of our God.

The cross that leaves no question of the measure of his love.

Refrain:

Our chains are gone, our debt is paid

The cross has overthrown the grave.

For Jesus’ blood that sets us free

Means death to death and life for me. *(Repeat last time)*

The innocent judged guilty while the guilty one walks free

Death would be his portion and our portion liberty. *(Refrain)*

Epistle lesson: Romans 5:1-21 (pp. 155-156, New Testament section)

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 116

Leader: I love the Lord, because the Lord has heard my voice and my supplications.

All: Because the Lord inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on the Lord as long as I live.

Leader: The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

All: Then I called on the name of the Lord: 'O Lord, I pray, save my life!'

Leader: Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.

All: The Lord protects the simple; when I was brought low, the Lord saved me.

Leader: Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.

All: For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

Leader: What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?

All: I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord.

*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: John 3:31-36 (p. 94, New Testament section)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"This Grace in Which We Stand"

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

"Wonderful Grace of Jesus"

#198

**Wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin;
How shall my tongue describe it, where shall its praise begin?
Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free,
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.**

Refrain:

**Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus,
Deeper than the mighty rolling sea,
Wonderful grace all sufficient for me, for even me;
Broader than the scope of my transgressions,
Greater far than all my sin and shame;
O magnify the precious name of Jesus, praise his name!**

**Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching to all the lost,
By it I have been pardoned, saved to the uttermost.
Chains have been torn asunder, giving me liberty,
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. (*Refrain*)**

**Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching the most reviled,
By its transforming power making me God's dear child,
Purchasing peace and heaven for all eternity,
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. (*Refrain*)**

Prayers of the People

Chris Senger

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

Chris Senger

We Depart to Serve God

*Hymn for Departing

“Now Thank We All Our God”

#556, v 3

**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

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 classes, as they can only be dismissed into your care.

“Sing to the Lord, Rejoice!”

(Georg Philipp Telemann; Arr. Hal H. Hopson)

Sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord, sing, rejoice!

God’s love is steadfast, ever true.

God is faithful from age to age.

O Zion sing, rejoice!

The Lord brings peace to Zion’s hill.

God’s word goes out throughout the land.

All earth rejoice and sing. All earth rejoice and sing. (2x)

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