



"Frozen Wave Against Sunlight" by Hernan Pauccara



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 7, 2022
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
FBC SANCTUARY
11:00 A.M.

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I am the fiery life of the essence of God; I am the flame above the beauty in the fields; I shine in the waters; I burn in the sun, the moon, and the stars. And with the airy wind, I quicken all things vitally by an unseen, all-sustaining life.

— Hildegard of Bingen, 1098–1179

Gathering Music

"His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Cristina Adams

Prelude

"Suite from Water Music (Hornpipe & Air)"

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* Call to Worship

Joanna Gillette

Psalm 104

Leader: Praise the Lord, for God is great indeed!

People: Let us sing praises for God's glorious works.

Leader: We give glory, honor, and thanksgiving to the Lord,

People: who makes and sustains all things.

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Hymn of Praise (CONGR 52)

"O Worship the King"

LYONS

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you!

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

If able, please text or message someone from the congregation and share with them the sign of peace.

* Responding in Peace (CONGR 20)

"Creation Sings"

CREATION SINGS

Hallelujah! Let all creation stand and sing, "Hallelujah!"

Fill the earth with songs of worship; tell the wonders of creation's King.

* Gospel Reading

Luke 21.25-33

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Children's Sermon

** In-person worshippers are invited to stand as able*

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Unison Discipline of Confession

Holy God, you promise us a life full of blessing, but we do not always believe. You incite us to hope, but we fall back into fear. You urge us to give freely, but we cling to what we have. You call us to watch at all times for you, but we grow lazy and self-absorbed. Forgive us. Increase our hope, enlarge our hearts, and keep us alert to the wonders you work in the world every day.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

By faith we have been saved, our guilty hearts washed clean. Refreshed, revived, and renewed, empowered by the Holy Spirit, live as ones who are forgiven and freed, giving thanks to God.

Morning Prayer and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

Old Testament Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Job 38.1-18

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

"Season of Creation: Ocean Sunday"

CELEBRATING THE TABLE OF GRACE

Call to Communion

"Teach Me Thy Song, O Lord"

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Invitation to the Table

Celebration of the Bread and Cup

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* Hymn of Invitation, (CONGR 506)

"When the Morning Stars Together"

HOLY MANNA

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Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

"Suite from Water Music (Allegro Maestoso)"

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The flowers on the altar this morning are given for the greater glory of God!

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Liturgist: Joanna Gillette Cantor & Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson

Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen

Livestream Video Crew: Susan Pauls, Brenda Schenkel Sound: Marylee Southard

YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Kylee Johnston

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Pat Transue, recovering from a successful surgery; Craig Weinaug, as he continues rehab following knee surgery

Celebration of life of Enzo Schreiner, born this week to Dezo and Andy Schreiner

Local Church: Corpus Christi Catholic Church

American Baptist Churches, USA; Region Min. Dale Edwards, serving ABC Vermont & New Hampshire

International Ministries Missionaries: Stacy & Tim Reese, working with Haitian immigrants in the Dominican Republic

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Every member of First Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry.
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