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THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
NOVEMBER 13, 2022  
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP  
FBC SANCTUARY  
11:00 A.M.

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*It isn't enough to talk about peace. One must believe in it. And it isn't enough to believe in it. One must work at it.*  
-Eleanor Roosevelt

Gathering Music

"Now Thank We All Our God"  
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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Prelude

"We Praise You, O God" (Prayer of Thanksgiving)  
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\* Call to Worship

Shane Schenkel  
Isaiah 12

Leader: Sing praises to God, for the Lord has done gloriously. Let it be known in all the earth.

**People: Surely God is my salvation, for the Lord is my strength and has become my salvation.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

\* Gathering in Gratitude (CONGR 372)

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"  
ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

\* 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 (CONG 536, v. 3 and 5)

"Lord, You Call Us to Your Service"  
LAUDA ANIMA

**Son of God, great incarnation, Father's gift of suffering love, in Your teaching, healing, working, You have shown us life above. Alleluia! Alleluia! Grant us holy lives thereof.**

**Lord, you call us to your service, grant us fruit as You ordain. Risking all, we make disciples, working for Your coming reign. Alleluia! Alleluia! Faithful servants we remain.**

\* Gospel Reading

Matthew 5.13-16

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

Call to Prayer

“The Prayer of Saint Francis”  
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Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Cristina Adams

Unison Discipline of Confession

**God of consuming fire, treat us not as stubble through the folly of our misdeeds. We are misled by arrogance as we boast of our goodness. We look with disdain on those less fortunate, and ignore the poverty of our own souls. Claiming to be among the mighty, we favor those gifted with similar strengths. As individuals and as a nation, we test your patience. Yet in Christ you love us still. Forgive our pride and restore our sanity, so that we may yet serve you.**

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Sisters and brothers and siblings in Christ, it is God who gives justice to the weak and maintains the right of the afflicted and destitute. God rescues the needy and delivers them from the hand of the wicked. As you confess your sins, God is faithful and just and will through Christ deliver you blameless in the day of God's judgment. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.*

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.**

Prayer Response (CONGR 387)

“God Who Made Us, Christ Who Calls Us”  
GALILEE

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Sentences of Stewardship

Marylee Southard, Financial Secretary

Offertory

“Count Your Blessings”  
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\* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

(Those wishing to attend Children's Church may leave now)

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

Old Testament Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant  
Isaiah 36:4-14

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant  
“Strength of Stone: The Stone of Work”

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\* Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 658)

“Let Your Heart Be Broken”  
WYE VALLEY (abridged)

Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

Counter-Theme on the Doxology "Old Hundredth"  
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*The flowers on the altar this morning are given for the greater glory of God the memorial funds of  
G. Baley & Cora Lee Beers Price*

TODAY IN WORSHIP

*Liturgist: Shane Schenkel*

*Cantor & Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson*

*Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen*

*Livestream Video Crew: Brandon Gillette, Matthew Johnston Sound: Glenn Prescott*

*YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Jenny Purvis*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

*Local Church: Haskell Catholic Campus Center*

*American Baptist Churches, USA; Region Exe. Min. Rev. Dr. Alfred Fletcher, serving churches in Maine*

*International Ministries Missionary: Ruth Vindas, serving in Costa Rica*

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Every member of First Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry.  
The following persons have been called by this congregation to empower such ministry:

Rev. Dr. Matthew Sturtevant – matt@firstbaptistlawrence.com	Senior Pastor
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