



*Manuscript Leaf with the Opening of the Epistle of Saint Paul to the Ephesians,"
French Bible, c. 1300, Metropolitan Museum of Art*



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 11, 2023
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
FBC SANCTUARY
11:00 A.M.

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As beloved as we are, we are lifted up into something far greater than ourselves. We are blessed in Christ, we are chosen in Christ, we are destined for adoption through Christ. In Christ we have obtained our inheritance, and our hope is set on Christ. Moreover, the constant plural pronouns remind us that this gift is not an individual blessing but always for the community of Christ.

-Karen Chakoian

Gathering Music

"Praise Medley"

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Cristina Adams

Prelude

"Praise the Lord With the Drums and Cymbals" Op. 101

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LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Call to Worship

Joe Karnes

Psalms 33

Leader: All who are righteous, shout with joy to our God!

People: Let us sing a new song!

Leader: Praise God and give thanks, with organs, with guitars, with all kinds of instruments!

People: Play your best with joy!

Leader: Because our Creator's word is right, and everything God does is done for our good.

People: Let your faithful love surround us, O God!

* Hymn of Gathering (CONGR 309)

"When, in Our Music, God is Glorified"

ENGELBERG

* 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

"Celtic Alleluia"

Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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* Gospel Reading

Rev. Cristina Adams

Matthew 9.18-26

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

People: Thanks be to God!

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

Children's Sermon

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Unison Discipline of Confession

Merciful God, your word and your promises come to us when our hearts are full with rejoicing and when our hearts fall with sorrow for our failings. The gifts you have given us we have not shared with our neighbors. By overt acts and by omission, we diminish your creation. We deceive ourselves about our true nature, and we do not honor your desire for Earth and all her creatures. We beg your mercy. Forgive us. Help us to amend our lives in accord with your admonitions. Show us the pathway toward healing, and give us peace.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The God of mercy desires the well-being of all people and creatures. In the name of God who raised Jesus from the dead, your sins are forgiven. Walk in the way of faith, that you may have abundance and joy.

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

Prayer Response (CONGR 386)

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

ST. AGNES

Moment for Mission

One Great Hour of Sharing

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

"Intermezzo"

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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

New Testament Reading

LaMoine Tatum
Ephesians 1.1-6

Sermon

LaMoine Tatum
"The Power of Announcement"

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* Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 255)

"We Are God's People"
SYMPHONY

* Life of the Church

* Benediction

Postlude

"The Trumpet Shall Sound"

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*The flowers on the altar this morning are given for the greater glory of God
by Mark & Stephanie Robinson, in honor of their 35th wedding anniversary*

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Guest Preacher: LaMoine Tatum

Liturgist: Joe Karnes

Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen

Livestream Video Crew: Joanna Gillette, Steve Yoder / Sound: Chad Johnston

Welcome Table: Jenny Purvis / YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Hannes Combest

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: Southside Church of Christ

American Baptist Churches, USA; Region Exe. Min. Rev. Andy Quient, serving churches in Los Angeles,
Southwest & Hawaii

International Ministries Missionaries: Gordon & Lee Ann Hwang, serving in Japan

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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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