



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 18, 2023
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
FBC SANCTUARY
11:00 A.M.

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Some went to the nearest place of the/ Lord; to some hollow place in the/ brush or to a clearing in a grove/ where folk gathered 'neath a still standing/ tree and sang, "Thank you/ Jesus, for delivering me."

-From *Free At Last - Juneteenth Poem* by Sojourner Kincaid Rolle

Gathering Music

"Breathe"

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Prelude

"Aria Da Chiesa"

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LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Call to Worship

Hannes Combest

Psalm 100

Leader: Worship the Lord with gladness!

People: We come into God's presence with singing.

Leader: For the Lord our God is good.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

* Hymn of Gathering (CONGR 332)

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
AZMON

* 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 422 vs. 1

"Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners"
HYFRYDOL

**Jesus! what a friend for sinners! Jesus! lover of my soul;
friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole.
Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.**

* Gospel Reading

Hannes Combest
Matthew 9.35-10.8

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 (CONGR 69)

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

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Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Cristina Adams

Unison Discipline of Confession

Loving God, without your grace we are like sheep without a shepherd. Sometimes we are harassed by sin and feel helpless against its power. Sometimes, in our sin, we use our power to harass the helpless. We are wolves in sheep’s clothing, innocent as serpents and wise as doves. Forgive us, O Lord, and bring us home. Restore us to your flock and fold, Good Shepherd, we pray.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news of God’s love: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Since we are justified by faith we have peace with God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Moment for Mission

Hannes Combest

Partnership with AMOS in Nicaragua

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

“Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place”

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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

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Romans 10.12-17

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

“An Embodied Gospel”

* Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 437)

“How Wide the Love of Christ”

FESTAL SONG

* Life of the Church

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* Benediction

Postlude

“To God Be the Glory”

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The flowers on the altar this morning are given for the greater glory of God by the memorial fund of Mr. & Mrs. C.V. Leigh & Family

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Liturgist: Hannes Combest

Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen

Livestream Video Crew: Glenn Prescott, Steve Yoder Sound: Marylee Southard

Welcome Table: Kimberly Sturtevant YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Kylee Johnston

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: St. Lawrence Catholic Center

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

International Ministries Missionaries: Carmella Jones, serving in Hungary

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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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