



*"Rehoboam's Insolence," 1530, Hans Holbein the Younger*



THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 29, 2023

ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP

FBC SANCTUARY

11:00 A.M.

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*The kingdom is not an exclusive, well-trimmed suburb with snobbish rules about who can live there. No, it is for a larger, homelier, less self-conscious caste of people who understand they are sinners because they have experienced the yaw and pitch of moral struggle.*  
— Brennan Manning

Gathering Music "It Is Well with My Soul" (with "Scotch Poem" by MacDowell)  
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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle Rev. Cristina Adams

Prelude "Morning Has Broken"  
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\* Call to Worship Pat Transue

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

**People: In you, we come home—to rest, to wrestle, to love, to be loved. We dwell in you.**

Leader: Before the mountains were born, before you delivered the whole world, from everlasting past to everlasting future, you are God.

**People: In you, we are home—we dream, we flourish, we fade, we rejoice. We dwell in you.**

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

\* Hymn of Praise (CONGR 339) "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"  
CORONATION

\* 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) "Celtic Alleluia"

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\* Gospel Reading Mark 10:42-45

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

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Children's Sermon

## SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer (CONGR 600)

"O How He Loves You and Me"  
PATRICIA

Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Unison Discipline of Confession

**Lord, we confess: we do not live as those worthy to be entrusted with the good news of your grace; we relate to others callously as though we do not trust that gospel ourselves; we seek to please and manipulate, using flattery to gain praise and distinction; we use condescension as a mask to cover insecurity or a need for power. Our motives are mixed, impure. Lord, reassure us and cleanse us.**

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Beloved ones, believe again the gospel, that in Christ we are accepted as we are. Believe that we are forgiven, loved with the delight of a nursing mother, cherishing her child. Believe that we are the church, the body of Christ, called to love one another as gentle children of 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.**

Prayer Response

"It Is Well"

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## RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Moment for Mission

World Mission Offering

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

"Simple Gifts"

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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  
1 Kings 12:1-17

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant  
"The Kingdom Life"

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

\* Hymn of Invitation, (CONGR 271)

“Christian People, Sing Together”  
JUBILEE, alt.

Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

“Allegro Vivace”

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*The flowers on the altar this morning are given for the greater glory of God by Dora Sebanc, in memory of younger brother Nico Fuentes.*

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Liturgist: Pat Transue

Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen

Director of Worship Music & Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson

FBC Worship Band

Livestream Video Crew: Brandon Gillette, Brenda Schenkel

Sound: Glenn Prescott • YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Kylee Johnston

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Mark Robinson & family, following the death of his father, Louis Robinson, on Oct. 27

Local Church: Lawrence Life Church

American Baptist Churches, USA; Rev. Mike Sisson, serving churches in West Virginia

International Ministries Missionaries: Aaron & Valerie Osterbrock in East Malaysia

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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:

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