



THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
NOVEMBER 5, 2023  
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP  
FBC SANCTUARY  
11:00 A.M.

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Gathering Music

“Regal Praise” (Medley)

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Cristina Adams

Prelude

“My God and I”

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\* Call to Worship

Shane Schenkel

Leader: In big miraculous displays

**People: and in still silent whispers**

**All: the Lord indeed is God.**

Leader: When we struggle to make a choice

**People: and when the voice draws us ever nearer**

**All: the Lord indeed is God.**

Leader: For those of us who feel we're out here on our own

**People: and those of us embedded in a community that both helps and hinders**

**All: the Lord is indeed God, and we will worship God together.**

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

\* Hymn of Praise (CONGR 26 v.1-4)

“God of Creation, All-Powerful”

SLANE

\* Passing of the Peace

Shane Schenkel

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 567, v. 1)

“For All the Saints”

SINE NOMINE

**For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 12.1-3

Remembering Our Saints

Nancy Davis Gloria Nix Cecilia Adam Jimmie Treat

Children's Sermon

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

## SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Unison Discipline of Confession

**We go back and forth, O God, between faithfulness to your way and the ways of this world. On the one hand we want what the world promises and we'll do what it takes to get it, even when we know better. On the other hand, we long for the peace and justice of your promise, though honestly you often feel invisible. Forgive us, O God, for our labored hobbling from one thing to another. Forgive us, O God, for the mental gymnastics we'll do to avoid a choice. Forgive us, O God, for you alone are God, the Source of Life, God of our ancestors, the One we are called to worship and serve, the Love that consumes and transforms.**

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Siblings in Christ, God has made a way where there was no way. In Christ Jesus evil and death have been vanquished, and we live in a state of grace. Believe the gospel: 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.**

## RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Call to Stewardship

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**"We Are Singing, for the Lord is Our Light"**

Stewardship Campaign Invitation

**Dava Cooper**

God at Work: Why FBC Matters to Me

Offertory/Collection

**"In This Moment of Remembrance"**

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\* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

## PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

Old Testament Reading

**Rev. Cristina Adams**

**1 Kings 18:20-39**

Sermon

**Rev. Cristina Adams**

**"Holy Dissenters: Elijah"**

## CELEBRATING THE TABLE OF GRACE

Invitation to the Table

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## Celebration of the Bread and Cup

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“Come, Share the Lord”

\* Hymn of Invitation, (CONGR 640)

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”  
SHOWALTER

## Life of the Church

## Benediction

## Postlude

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

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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. Howard Wiseman*

### TODAY IN WORSHIP

*Liturgist: Shane Schenkel*

*Cantor & Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson*

*Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen*

*Livestream Video Crew: Steve Yoder, Joanna Gillette Sound: Brandon Gillette*

*YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Susan Pauls*

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

*Local Church: Lawrence Seventh-Day Adventist Church*

*American Baptist Churches, USA; Region Min. Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell, serving churches in Wisconsin*

*International Ministries Missionaries: David Parajon, serving in Nicaragua with AMOS Health & Hope*

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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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