



Joseph Reveals Himself to His Brothers
– Peter von Cornelius, 1816



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 7, 2024
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
FBC SANCTUARY
11:00 A.M.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 7, 2024

I'm not talking about the anemic idea of pretending everything is fine or just being certain, "it'll work itself out and anyway, yay for heaven!" I see something so different when I look at Christian hope. I see hope that takes suffering and grief and injustice seriously. This isn't a dismissive or pat-on-the-head platitude. We don't live and move and have our being within a Love that denies our full humanity.

—Sarah Bessey

Gathering Music

"Joysong"

Mark Hayes. © 1998 GlorySound. Used by permission. CCLI #20126570

Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Prelude

"To God All Praise, and Glory" (Mit Freuden Zart)

Ellen Jane Lorenz. © 1945 Lorenz Pub. Co./The Lorenz Corp. Used by permission. CCLI #20126570

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Call to Worship

Rev. John Williams

Psalm 48

Leader: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God.

People: Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth.

Leader: We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.

People: We will tell the next generation that this is our God who will be our guide forever.

Leader: Let us worship God!

* Hymn of Praise (CONGR 323)

"How Great Thou Art"

HOW GREAT THOU ART

* 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 355, vs. 1)

"We Praise Thee, O God"

REVIVE US AGAIN

Gospel Reading

Rev. Cristina Adams

Luke 6.37-42

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 405)

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”
BRADBURY

Hearing Our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Cristina Adams

Unison Discipline of Confession

Forgive us, O God, for our self-important boasting. We take credit for our strength without thought of your gifts. When honors are bestowed, we treat them as our due. We claim as our victories the triumphs of your grace. You shower us with blessings, which we ignore. You bring new life; we take it for granted. Deliver us from vain ways, and forgive our smug complacency. Turn our boasting to thanksgiving for Christ’s power within us.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Paul declares that, “even when we were dead through our trespasses, God made us alive together with Christ...For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God...so that no one may boast.” Let us then boast of God’s grace within us, and claim with assurance the new life in Christ.

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

“Ride On, King Jesus!”
Arr. Hall Johnson. © 1951 Carl Fischer, Inc./Carl Fischer, LLC.
Used by permission. CCLI #20126570

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

“Simple Gifts” (Shaker Melody)
Mark Hayes. © 1998 GlorySound. Used by permission. CCLI #20126570

* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

Old Testament Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant
Genesis 45.1–15

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant
“All the Feelings: Joseph and His Brothers”

CELEBRATING THE TABLE OF GRACE

Invitation to the Table

Celebration of the Bread and Cup

“Bread of Life”

William F. Sherwin/Edward Broughton. © 1987 Lorenz Pub. Co./The Lorenz Corp.
Used by permission. CCLI #20126570

* Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 694)

“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive”
MORNING SONG

* Life of the Church

* Benediction

Postlude

“Chorale: In Peace and Joy I Go My Way”
Johann Walther/J.S. Bach. © 1967 J. Fischer & Bro./Belwin Mills Pub. Corp.
Used by permission. CCLI #20126570

The flowers on the altar this morning are given by Neal & Jenny Purvis in honor of their 40th wedding anniversary.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew Sturtevant

Assoc. Pastor for Children, Youth, & Families: Rev. Cristina Adams

Liturgist: Rev. John Williams • Organist: Evelyn Falen • Vocal Soloist: Reed Schenkel

Livestream Video Crew: Brandon Gillette, Matthew Johnston • Sound: Jim Lord

YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Kylee Johnston

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: Calvary Church of God

*American Baptist Churches, USA: Executive Min. Rev. Dr. Aaron Kilbourn,
serving the American Baptist Churches of the Dakotas*

International Ministries Global Servants: Ann & Bill Clemmer, serving in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Cover art: “Peter von Cornelis [Cornelius] - Joseph Reveals Himself to His Brothers [c.1816-17]” by Gandalf's Gallery is licensed under CC BY-NC-SA 2.0. Downloaded 7/5/2024 from openverse.org.

Call to Worship, Unison Discipline of Confession, & Assurance of Pardon: Reprinted by permission of the publisher from When We Gather by James G. Kirk. © 2001 James G. Kirk. Published by Geneva Press.

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

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

Rev. Cristina Adams – cristina@firstbaptistlawrence.com

Jenny Purvis – office@firstbaptistlawrence.com

Holly Grassy – holly@firstbaptistlawrence.com

Neal Purvis – neal@firstbaptistlawrence.com

Susan Pauls – susan@firstbaptistlawrence.com

Mark Robinson – mark@firstbaptistlawrence.com

Evelyn Falen – evelyn@firstbaptistlawrence.com

Dr. Christy Miller – christy@firstbaptistlawrence.com

Senior Pastor

Assoc. Pastor for Children, Youth, and Families

Administrative Support Manager

Bookkeeper

Building Manager

Digital Media Manager

Director of Worship Music

Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist

8:38 a.m. Worship Pianist

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

1330 KASOLD DRIVE, LAWRENCE, KANSAS 66049

PHONE: 785/843.0020 • FAX: 785/843.0021 • EMAIL: OFFICE@FIRSTBAPTISTLAWRENCE.COM

WWW.FIRSTBAPTISTLAWRENCE.COM