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from Silos Apocalypse (1109), British Library*



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024  
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP  
FBC SANCTUARY  
11:00 A.M.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
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*We live in an out-of-control fashion precisely because we serve a Messiah who had no messianic complex but who first and foremost obeyed the will of God, even if it meant losing, even if it meant getting himself killed.*

—Lee Camp

Gathering Music

“To God Be the Glory”

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Prelude

“Lead On, O King Eternal!”

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LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

\* Call to Worship

John Pauls

Psalm 124

Leader: If it had not been for God, who was on our side, we would have fallen prey to those who want to harm us; we would have been swept away by sadness and fear!

**People: Blessed be the Lord, our protector!**

Leader: God has broken the snare that took away our freedom. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

**People: Blessed be God’s holy name!**

\* Hymn of Praise (CONGR 52)

“O Worship the King”

LYONS

\* 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” (chorus only)

\* Gospel Reading

John Pauls

Matthew 26.62–65

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Children’s Sermon

Rev. Cristina Adams

## SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer (CONGR 409)

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"  
CONVERSE

Hearing Our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Cristina Adams

Unison Discipline of Confession

**God of unity, we live in a world where our lives move between inclusivity and exclusivity. We often move toward the latter, trying to oust from our circles those who do not think like us, act like us, or look like us. Forgive our need to reject and to always be on the lookout for those things that make us different. Give us the eyes of our Teacher, who knows unconditional love and compassion and sees us all as one.**

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Rejoice! You have been found by the redemption of God and forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Savior. You may live at peace.*

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 with My Soul"

Words by Horatio Spafford; Music by Philip Bliss; Arranged by McKay Crockett  
Originally performed by BYU Vocal Point: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FexGqNDBK3g>  
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## RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

"'Tis So Sweet to Trust In Jesus"

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\* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

(Those attending Children's Church may leave now.)

## PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

Old Testament Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant  
Daniel 7.1-14, 28

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant  
"Redemption in the World: Beasts and Visions"

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

\* Hymn of Response (CONGR 33)

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”  
CWM RHONDDA

\* Life of the Church

\* Benediction

Postlude

“The Glory of the Spirit”

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*The flowers on the altar this morning are given by Wendy Wheeler in honor of her daughter Sammy's birthday.*

#### TODAY IN WORSHIP

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew Sturtevant

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

Liturgist: John Pauls • Organist: Evelyn Falen • Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson

Vocal Soloist: Joe Karnes

Livestream Video Crew: Brenda Schenkel, Matthew Johnston • Sound: Brandon Gillette

YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Laura McCorkill

#### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: First Church of the Nazarene

American Baptist Churches, USA: Executive Min. Rev. Jacqueline Saxon,  
serving the Mid-American Baptist Churches (Iowa & Minnesota)

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

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