



Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

July 30, 2023 10:00 a.m.

Ninth
Sunday after
Pentecost



PRELUDE

Medley of Hymns

arr. N. Olanday

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT

Come, Now is the Time to Worship
Christine Marthinsen & Evelyn Blanchette

B. Doerksen

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#59 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

WORDS: Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933)
MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

HYMN TO JOY
8.7.8.7.D.

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,
 4 Mor - tals, join the hap - py cho - rus which the morn - ing stars be - gan;

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, open - ing to the sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean depth of hap - py rest!
 love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, join - ing all with - in its span.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the dark of doubt a - way;
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Broth - er— all who live in love are thine;
 Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife;

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day!
 chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine.
 joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward in the tri - umph song of life.

***INVOCATION 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 trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
 and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Trinity God,
 Search our hearts, for we have neglected you.
 We go about our days, self-sufficient,
 until we need or want something seemingly beyond us.
 Suddenly, we return to you, expecting you
 to dispense our desires.
 Forgive us our one sided relationship.
 May we choose to spend time in contemplation
 and connection with you,
 renewing our relationship in mutuality.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

R. Goodson

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and
Ever shall be, world without end. Amen

FIRST READING

Romans 8:26-39

Page 165, 2nd half of NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

OFFERING OF MUSIC IN WORSHIP

Jacob's Ladder / I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Traditional Spiritual / Anon, Indian Folk Tune

Christine Marthinsen & Evelyn Blanchette

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

One: We need your help in our weakness.

Many: You intercede for us when there are no words.

One: We turn to you in hardship and distress.

Many: You intercede for us when there are no words.

One: We know you are for us,
even when we feel others are not.

Many: You intercede for us when there are no words.

**All: We know that nothing in all of creation can separate us
from the never-ending love of God,
who hears our prayers. Amen.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#115 Praise the Name of Jesus

R. Hicks, Jr.

D G D G D

Praise the name of Je - sus, praise the name of Je - sus.

G D G D G $\frac{D}{F\#}$ $\frac{A7}{E}$ D

He's my Rock, he's my For - tress, he's my De - liv - er - er, in

E7 A D $\frac{Em}{G}$ $\frac{D}{A}$ A7 D

him will I trust. Praise the name of Je - sus.

WORDS and MUSIC: Roy Hicks, Jr. (1943-); para. Psalm 18:1
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CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF MEDITATION

#65 God Moves in a Mysterious Way

DUNDEE

WORDS: William Cowper (1731-1800), alt.
 MUSIC: Scottish Psalter, 1615; harm. Thomas Ravenscroft (1592-1635), alt.

DUNDEE
 C.M.

Eb Ab $\frac{Eb}{G}$ Eb Db $\frac{Gdim}{Bb}$ Ab Eb Bb Cm Ab Bb Eb

1 God moves in a mys - te - rious way his won - ders to per - form;
 2 You fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; the clouds you so much dread
 3 His pur - pos - es will rip - en fast, un - fold - ing ev - ery hour;
 4 Blind un - be - lief is sure to err and scan his work in vain:

Eb Bb Cm $\frac{Bb}{D}$ $\frac{Cm7}{Eb}$ F Bb Eb $\frac{Fm}{Ab}$ Cm Bbsus Bb Eb

he plants his foot-steps in the sea, and rides up - on the storm.
 are big with mer - cy and shall break in bless - ings on your head.
 the bud may have a bit - ter taste, but sweet will be the flower.
 God is his own in - ter - pret - er, and he will make it plain.

SECOND READING

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Page 15, 2nd half of NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON

Rev. Jeremy Keay

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

TRUST IN JESUS/arr. N. Olanday

*New Doxology

Let's praise God for each good thing.

Marco Adria

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

#466 Take My Life and Let It Be

WORDS: Frances R. Havergal (1836-1879)
MUSIC: Henri A. César Malan (1787-1864)

HENDON

HENDON
7.7.7.7.

1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed,
2 Take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
3 Take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
4 Take my love, my God, I pour at thy feet its

Lord, to thee; take my hands and let them move
ful for thee; take my voice and let me sing
ges for thee; take my sil - ver and my gold,
treas - ure store; take my - self and I will be

at the im - pulse of thy love, at the im - pulse of thy love.
al - ways, on - ly, for my King, al - ways, on - ly, for my King.
not a mite would I with - hold, not a mite would I with - hold.
ev - er, on - ly, all for thee, ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

***THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you.

***Sung Benediction**

Dona Nobis Pacem

Traditional Canon

Christine Marthinsen & Evelyn Blanchette

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

POSTLUDE

Classical Variations on "Take My Life and Let It Be"

arr. N. Olanday

***Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:

Greeters and Ushers - Gwen Borowski and Warren Tasker;

Prayers of the People - Debbie Benson;

Scripture Reading - Louise Adnams, Sandra Beckman;

Guest Pianist - Nathan Olanday.

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FBC Ministry Team:

Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato, Senior Minister (on Sabbatical)

Rev. Jeremy Keay, Minister of Youth, Young Adults, Outreach

Dawn Stiles, Minister of Children and Families

Dr. Evelyn Grieger, Minister of Music

Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist

As we attempt to provide comfortable spaces for all and we have some members who have severe scent sensitivities, we ask that people refrain from wearing perfumes and colognes on Sunday morning to church. Thank you for helping us care for one another.

— FBC Council