

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

July 30, 2023 10:00 a.m.



PRELUDE

Medley of Hymns arr. N. Olanday

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#59 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

*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

Page 165, 2nd half of NRSV Bible Romans 8:26-39 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.

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN OF MEDITATION

#65 God Moves in a Mysterious Way

DUNDEE

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. 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

HENDON

Marco Adria

*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