

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

*Seeking the peace and well-being of the city*

October 15, 2023 11:00 a.m.

Twentieth  
Sunday after  
Pentecost



## PRELUDE

Fantasia in G Minor

J.S. Bach

## GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

## CALL TO WORSHIP

## \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#25 Let All Creation Bless the Lord

MIT FREUDEN ZART

D      A7   D      G2   G   D   B7      Em   D   A   D   Em7  
E   F#   B   B      D   #   F#   F#

1 Let all cre - a - tion bless the Lord, till heaven with praise is  
2 All liv - ing things up - on the earth, green fer - tile hills and  
3 O men and wom - en ev - ery - where, lift up a hymn of

A7sus A D A7/E D/F# G2 G/B D B Em D/F# A

ring - ing. Sun, moon, and stars, peal out a chord, stir up the an -  
 moun-tains, sing to the God who gave you birth! Be joy - ful, springs  
 glo - ry. Let all who know God's stead-fast care tell out sal - va -

D/F# Em7 A7sus A D Bm F#m/C# C#7 F#m Bm A/C# E A

gels' sing - ing. Sing, wind and rain! Sing, snow and sleet! Make  
 and foun - tains, lithe wa - ter - life, bright air - borne birds, wild  
 tion's sto - ry. No tongue be si - lent—sing your part, you

D/F# A7/E D Bm E7 A D/F# G Em7 A D/F# Em7 A7sus A D

mu - sic, day, night, cold, and heat!  
 rov - ing beasts, tame flocks and herds! Ex - alt the God who made you.  
 hum - ble souls and meek of heart!

WORDS: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (1944- ); para. the *Benedicite*  
 MUSIC: Bohemian Brethren's *Kirchengesänge*, Berlin, 1566; harm. Heinrich Reimann (1850-1906)  
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MIT FREUDEN ZART  
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## **\*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**

**Patient God,  
we gather this morning, and we pause to consider this last week,  
as your Spirit nudges and prompts us;  
calling to mind the excuses we make for our selfishness,  
the times we were unkind or unfair,  
when we were thoughtless or careless,  
keeping secret grudges and private hatred.  
Humbled, we think of the ways we have failed to love one another.**

**Assured of your boundless love,  
we present our faults and disappointments and wrongs,  
asking for mercy and restoration,  
giving thanks for the grace which grips us, even as we wander.  
Hear now our silent confession.**

(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**

Deuteronomy 10:18-19

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

Page 186, 1st half of NRSV Bible

# RESPONSIVE READING (based on I John 4:7-9)

One: Beloved, let us love one another,

**Many: because love is from God;**

One: everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

**Many: Whoever does not love does not know God,**

One: for God is love.

**Many: God's love was revealed among us in this way:**

One: God sent his only Son into the world

**All: so that we might live through him.**

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE

#270 O How He Loves You and Me

K. Kaiser

Ab Db/F Eb Eb/Ab Eb/Db Ab/C Db Cm7 Bbm7 Eb/G

O how he loves you and me, O how he loves you and

me; he gave his life—what more could he give? O how he

loves you, O how he loves me, O how he loves you and me!

# CHILDREN'S BLESSING

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### \*HYMN OF MEDITATION

#### #350 The Summons

KELVINGROVE

WORDS: John L. Bell (1949- )  
MUSIC: Scottish melody; arr. John L. Bell (1949- )  
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KELVINGROVE  
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*Unison*

N.C. F C7 Dm

1 Will you come and fol - low me if I but  
2 Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but  
3 Will you let the blind - ed see if I but  
4 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but

Gm7 Gm Csus C N.C. F C7

call your name? Will you go where you don't  
call your name? Will you care for cruel and  
call your name? Will you set the pris - oners  
call my name. Let me turn and fol - low

Dm Gm7 Bb/C F N.C.

know and nev - er be the same? Will you  
kind and nev - er be the same? Will you  
free and nev - er be the same? Will you  
you and nev - er be the same. In your

Gm7 Bb Bb6 Am7

let my love be shown, will you let my  
 risk the hos - tile stare should your life at -  
 kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
 com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and

Bb6 Bb Csus C N.C. F C7

name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and

Dm Gm7 Bb/C F

grown in you and you in me?  
 prayer in you and you in me?  
 mean in you and you in me?  
 grow in you and you in me.

**SECOND READING**

Matthew 22:34-40

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

Page 25, 2nd half of NRSV Bible

**SERMON**

Rev. Dennis Shierman

**CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Offertory

I Call to Thee

J.S. Bach

**\*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**

#388 O God in Whom All Live Begins

NOEL

WORDS: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (1944-)  
MUSIC: English melody; arr. Arthur S. Sullivan (1842-1900)  
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NOEL  
C.M.D.

F C F  $\frac{Gm}{Bb}$   $\frac{F}{A}$   $\frac{C7}{G}$  F C  $\frac{C}{Bb}$   $\frac{F}{A}$  F  $\frac{Bb}{D}$  Bb F

1 O God in whom all life be-gins, who births the seed to fruit,  
 2 U - nite in mu - tual min - is - try our minds and hands and hearts  
 3 Through tears and laugh-ter, grief and joy, en - large our trust and care;

C Dm Bb F C F Dm  $\frac{F}{A}$   $\frac{F}{C}$  C7 F

be - stow your bless-ing on our lives; here let your love find root.  
 that we may have the grace to seek the power your peace im - parts.  
 so bind us in com - mu - ni - ty that we may risk and dare.

Dm  $\frac{A7}{E}$   $\frac{Dm}{F}$  Gm6 A7 Dm  $\frac{A7}{D}$  Dm Dm6  $\frac{C}{E}$   $\frac{Dm}{F}$   $\frac{C}{G}$  G7 C

Bring forth in us the Spir - it's gifts of pa-tience, joy, and peace;  
 So let our var - ied gifts com-bine to glo - ri - fy your Name  
 Be with us when we gath - er here to wor-ship, sing, and pray,

de - liv - er us from numb - ing fear, and grant our faith in - crease.  
 that in all things by word and deed we may your love pro - claim.  
 then send us forth in power and faith to live the words we say.

**\*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.

**\*The Sending of the Community**

**\*Congregational Amen**

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

**POSTLUDE**

Prelude in A Minor

J.S. Bach

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

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:

Prayers of the People - Jo-Anne Badley;

Scripture Reading - Evelyn Grieger, Pam Beavan;

Guest Organists - Lori Klingbeil & Liza Karpenko;

Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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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