

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

September 27, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

Eighteenth
Sunday after
Pentecost



PRELUDE

Andante
Variations on BEACH SPRING

D. Bédard
R. te Velde

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT

Many & Great

LACQUIPARLE
Dakota Hymn and Tune, J. R. Renville, 1842
Paraphrase P. Frazier, 1929, alt.

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Come and Find the Quiet Center

BEACH SPRING

WORDS: Shirley Erena Murray (1931-)

MUSIC: Attr. B. F. White (1800-1879), *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; arr. Ronald A. Nelson (1927-)

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1 Come and find the qui - et cen - ter in the crowd - ed life we lead,
2 Si - lence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,
3 In the Spir - it let us trav - el, o - pen to each oth - er's pain,



find the room for hope to en - ter, find the frame where we are freed:
 God it is who speaks and names us, knows our be - ing, touch-es base,
 let our loves and fears un - rav - el, cel - e - brate the space we gain:

clear the cha - os and the clut - ter, clear our eyes, that we can see
 mak-ing space with - in our think - ing, lift - ing shades to show the sun,
 there's a place for deep-est dream-ing, there's a time for heart to care,

all the things that real - ly mat - ter, be at peace, and sim-ply be.
 rais-ing cour - age when we're shrink-ing, find-ing scope for faith be - gun.
 in the Spir - it's live - ly schem-ing there is al - ways room to spare!

***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

**Creator God,
we confess to often getting it wrong;
complicating what you've made simple;
over-simplifying what you've made complex;
narrowing where you've made the world wide.**

**And this week especially,
we confess to excluding those we should include,
keeping what we should share,
and weakening those we should empower.**

**Thank you Creator God,
that your world is wide and inclusive
and that you will help us to live in it well.**

(Silence for personal reflection and confession)

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

Isaiah 11:1-10

Read from the NRSV Bible

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

ANTHEM

Simple Gifts

Shaker song, att. J. Brackett
arr. C. Dyck

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

One: Creator God has promised a future of peace and welcome.

Many: Holy Spirit, speak for us as we seek that future.

One: Creator God – Jesse, and David, and the Root of Jesse are as a banner for us.

Many: Holy Spirit, speak for us as we look back and forward through history.

Show us God's action in this world.

One: Creator God, your kingdom is here and now.

Many: Holy Spirit speak for us as we seek to live in the Kingdom of God here, today.

*HYMN OF ASPIRATION

What Does the Lord Require of You?

MOON

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3 To seek jus - tice, and love kind - ness,

3 and walk hum - bly with your God. God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SECOND READING

Romans 8:19-27

Read from the NRSV Bible

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

*HYMN OF MEDITATION

O God of Every Nation

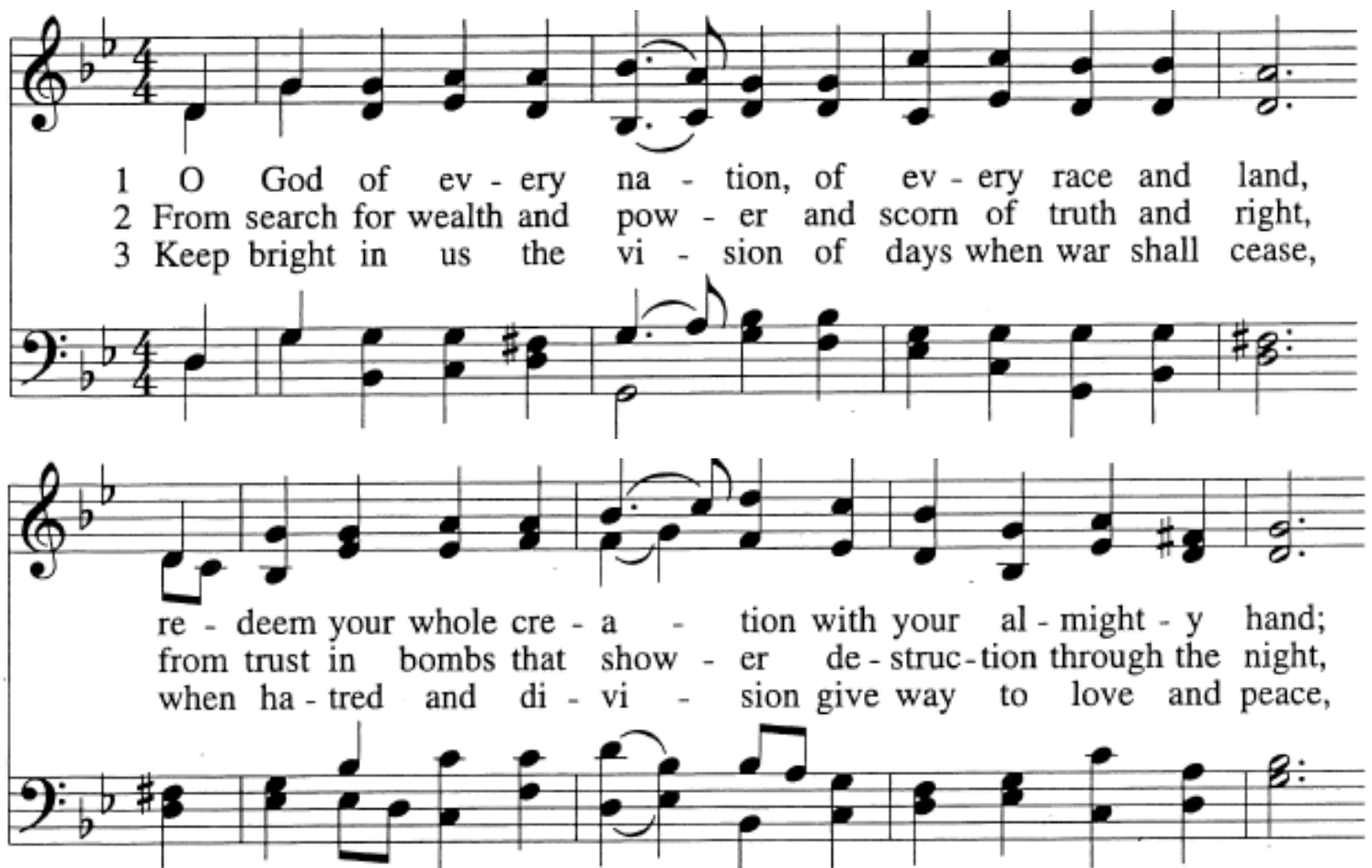
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WORDS: William W. Reid, Jr. (1923-)

MUSIC: Welsh melody; harm. David Evans (1874-1948)

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1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery race and land,
2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,
3 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

re - deem your whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand;
from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc - tion through the night,
when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,



where hate and fear di - vide us, and bit - ter threats are hurled,
 from pride of race and sta - tion and blind-ness to your way,
 till dawns the morn - ing glo - rious when truth and jus - tice reign,

in love and mer - cy guide us, and heal our strife-torn world.
 de - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray.
 and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

SERMON

Rev. Jeremy Keay

(Silence for personal reflection)

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Invocation

D. Bédard

*New Doxology

M. Adria

Let's praise God for each good thing.

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three Persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

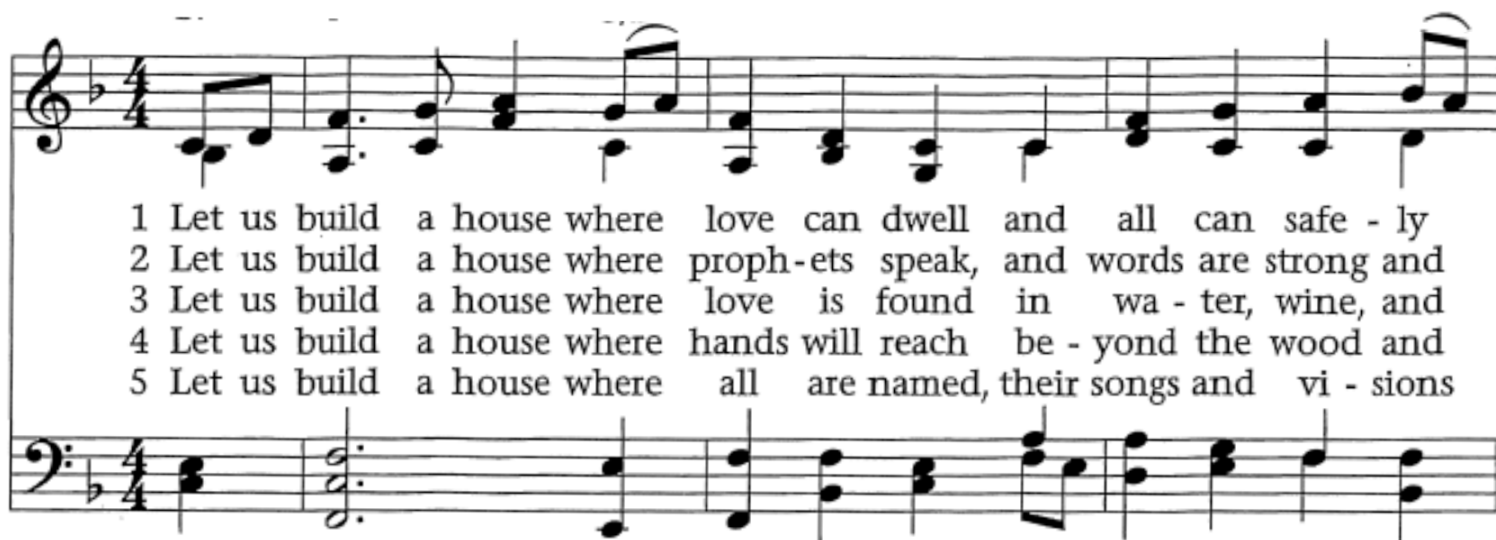
*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

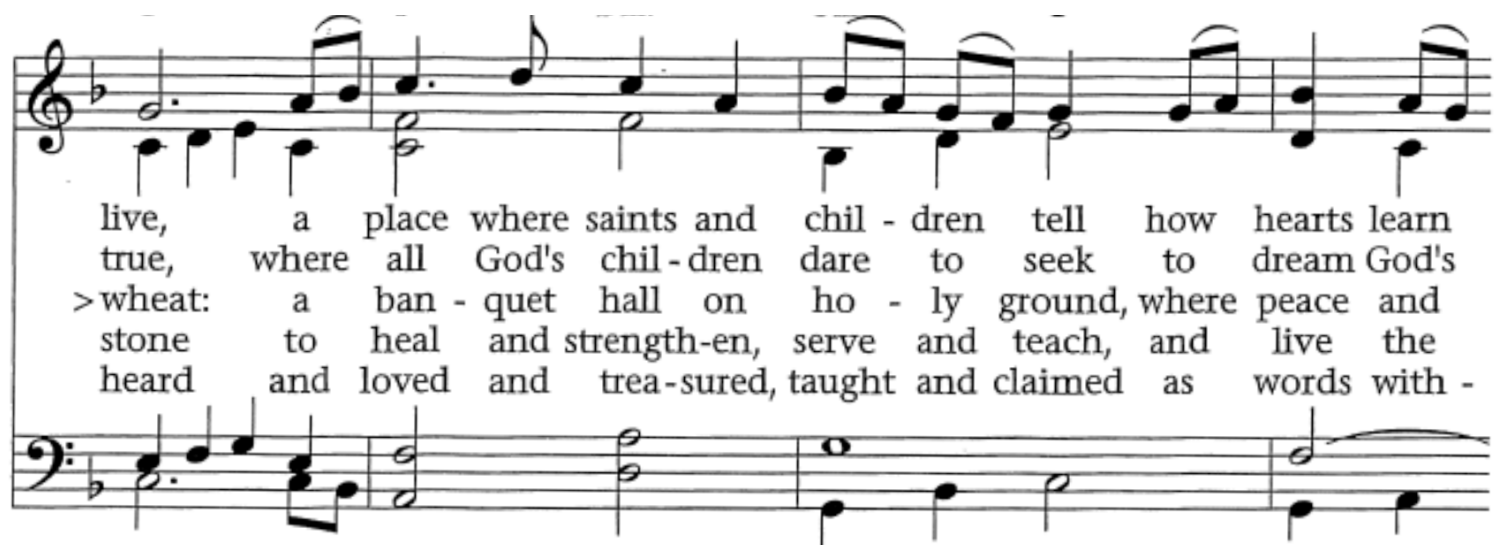
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TWO OAKS

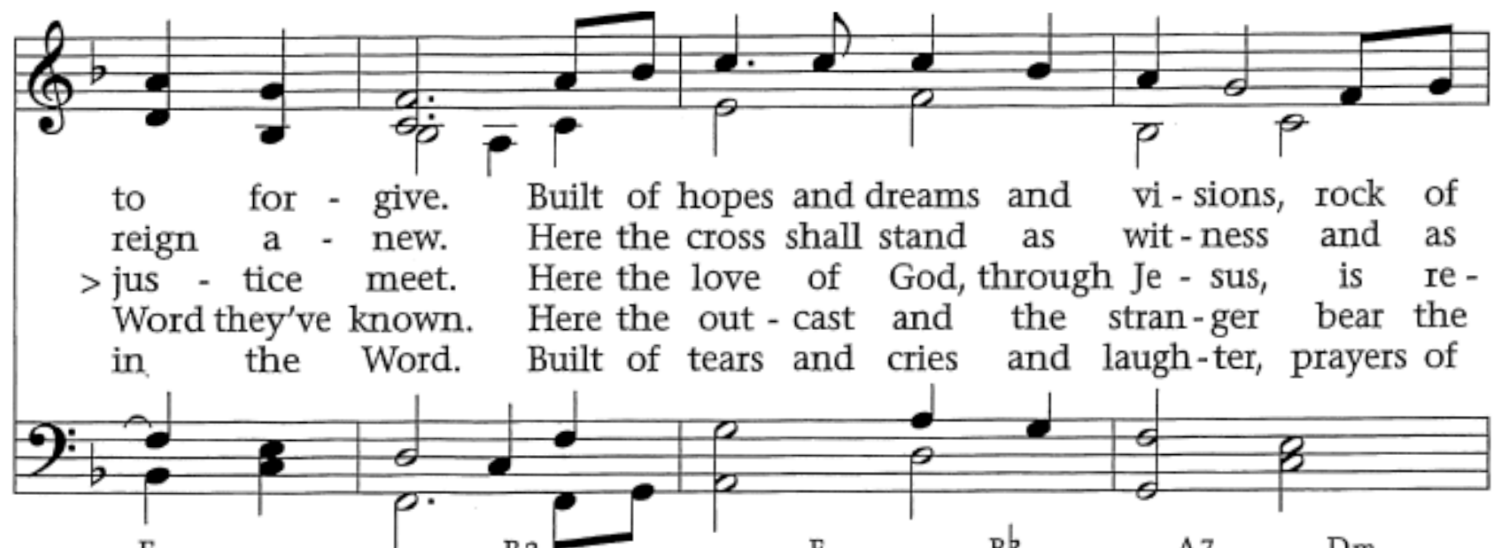
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1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine, and
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how hearts learn
true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to dream God's
> wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground, where peace and
stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach, and live the
heard and loved and trea-sured, taught and claimed as words with -



to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions, rock of
reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as wit - ness and as
> jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through Je - sus, is re -
Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the stran - ger bear the
in the Word. Built of tears and cries and laugh-ter, prayers of

· faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end di - vi-sions:
 sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 > vealed in time and space, as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
 im - age of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and dan-ger:
 faith and songs of grace, let this house pro-claim from floor to raf-ter:

Refrain

All are wel - come, all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this

place.

(Fine) To stanzas B^b/C

***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.

***Choral Benediction**

Let Us Walk Forth

K. Morrelli

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

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

POSTLUDE

Postlude

N. Jespersen

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

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:
Writing Prayers & Leading Worship - Christina Ward;
Writing Prayers - Grant McIntyre;
Scripture Reading - Pam Beavan, Ken Badley;
Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

FBC Ministry Team:

Rev. Jeremy Keay, Senior Minister
Dawn Stiles, Minister of Children and Families (on sabbatical)
Dr. Evelyn Grieger, Minister of Music
Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist

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— FBC Council