

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

October 18, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

Twenty-First
Sunday after
Pentecost



PRELUDE

Adoro te devote

arr. G. Martin

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#726 We Praise You, O God

KREMSER

WORDS: Julia C. Cory (1882-1963), alt.

MUSIC: *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626; arr. Edward Kremser (1838-1914)

1 We praise you, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and moth - ers;
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer,



in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring;
 through life's storm and tem - pest our guide you have been;
 our songs of thanks - giv - ing to you we now raise;

we lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
 when per - ils o'er - take us, you nev - er for - sake us,
 your strong arm will guide us, our God is be - side us,

we bless your ho - ly name: glad prais - es we sing.
 and with your help, O Lord, our bat - tles we win.
 to you, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

***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

O God who calls us by name.

We confess that we often forget our identity.

We are indifferent to your promise that, in Christ,
we have become children of God.

“Child of God” is drowned out with “Canadian” and “Albertan”.

“Child of God” is overwhelmed by “worker,” “consumer” or “unhoused”.

“Child of God” is engulfed with “cis,” “gay” or “binary”.

We forget that in Christ, there is no longer Jew or Greek,
slave or free, male and female,
and that we are heirs of your promises to your people.

Forgive us our poor memories.

Forgive our lack of imagination to live well into your calling.

(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 45:1-7

Read from the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **“Thanks be to God”**

RESPONSIVE READING

One: The LORD is exalted over all peoples.

Many: Let the peoples tremble! Let the earth quake!

One: God is the mighty King, the lover of justice, establishing equity.

Many: Holy is our God.

One: God is present with those who call upon the LORD and answers their cry.

Many: God travels with us in a pillar of smoke and in the scriptures.

All: Together we praise the great and awesome name of the LORD.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#39 All You Works of God, Bless the Lord!

LINSTEAD

WORDS: Stephen P. Starke (1955-)

MUSIC: Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter (1925-1980)

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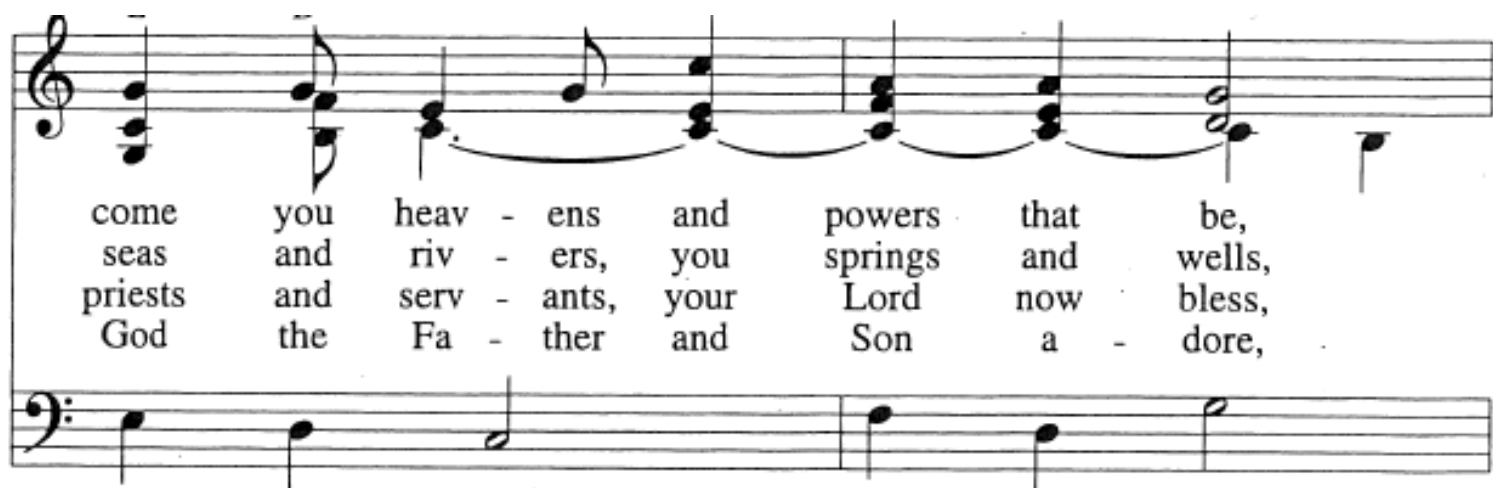
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1 All you works of God, bless the Lord!
2 Hills and moun - tains, now sing his worth,
3 Come hu - man - i - ty, sing a - long,
4 Bless the Lord, all you pure of heart;



All you an - gels, now bless the Lord;
all you green things that grow on earth;
sing, you peo - ple of God, a song;
all you hum - ble, his prais - es start;



come you heav - ens and powers that be,
seas and riv - ers, you springs and wells,
priests and serv - ants, your Lord now bless,
God the Fa - ther and Son a - dore,

praise the Lord and his maj - es - ty:
beasts and cat - tle, you birds and whales:
join, you spir - its and souls at rest. Raise your voic - es high,
bless the Spir - it for - ev - er - more!

praise and mag - ni - fy, all you works of God, bless the Lord!

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF MEDITATION

I Have Called You by Your Name

D.C. Damon

WORDS and MUSIC: Daniel Charles Damon, 1989

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1. I have called you by your name, you are mine;
2. I will help you learn my name as you go;
3. I know you will need my touch as you go;
4. I have giv - en you a name, it is mine;



I have gift - ed you and ask you now to shine.
 read it writ - ten in my peo - ple, help them grow.
 feel it puls - ing in cre - a - tion's ebb and flow.
 I have giv - en you my Spir - it as a sign.

I will not a - ban - don you; all my prom - is - es are
 Pour the wa - ter in my name, speak the word your soul can
 Like the wo - man reach - ing out, choos - ing faith in spite of
 With my won - der in your soul, make my wound - ed chil - dren

true. You are gift - ed, called, and chos - en; you are mine.
 claim, of - fer Je - sus' bod - y giv - en long a - go.
 doubt, hold the hem of Je - sus' robe, then let it go.
 whole; go and tell my prec - ious peo - ple they are mine.

SECOND READING

Matthew 22:15-22

Read from the NRSV Bible

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

SERMON

Rev. Jeremy Keay

(Silence for personal reflection)

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Come Thou Fount

arr. M. Logozar

*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

#14 Now Thank We All Our God

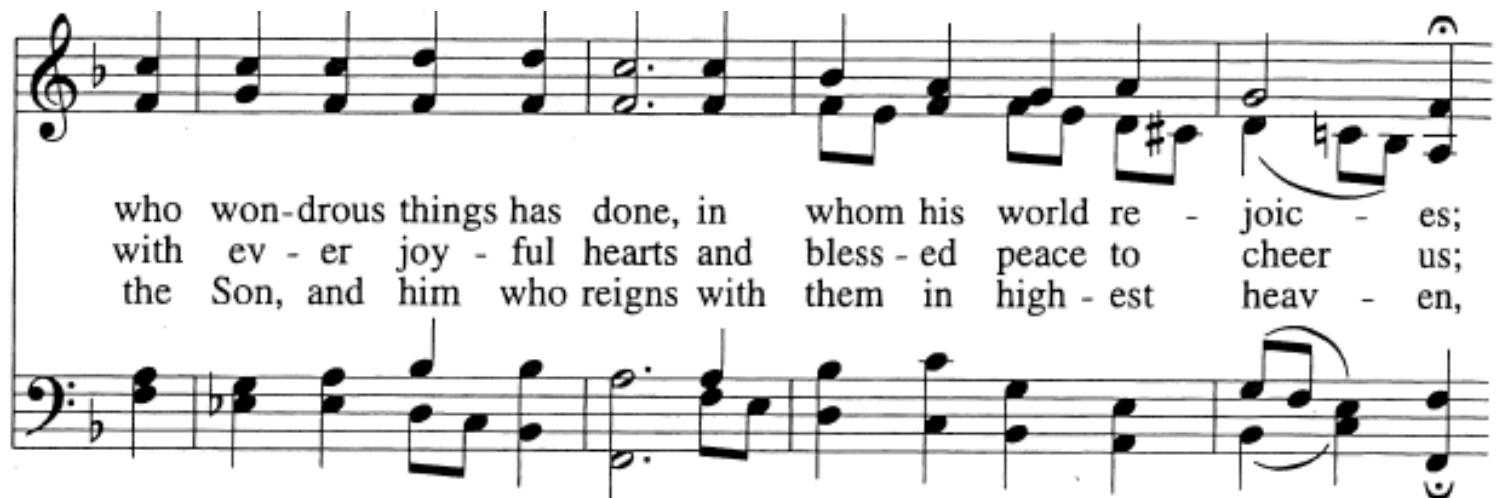
NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

WORDS: Martin Rinkart (1586-1649); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.

MUSIC: Johann Crüger (1598-1662); harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)



1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,



who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,



who, from our moth-er's arms, has blessed us on our way
 and keep us in his grace and guide us when per-plexed,
 the one e-ter-nal God whom earth and heaven a-dore;

with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev-er-more.

***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

Fanfare on Llanfair

E. Broughton

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

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:
Writing Prayers - Jo-Ann Badley;
Leading Worship - Gordon Dinwoodie, Debbie Benson;
Prayers of the People - Chen Okafor;
Scripture Reading - Christine Marthinsen, Caitlin Hart;
Guest Organist - Jane Fagnan;
Video and Sound Tech - Evan Adnams.

FBC Ministry Team:

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

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— FBC Council