



FIRST BAPTIST
ON FIFTH

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, August 25, 2019 • 10:30 AM

As you enter for worship, all are encouraged to greet one another and enjoy fellowship with those around you. As the prelude begins, we'll shift into a brief time of quiet reflection, where God uses the stillness of the moment to quiet our souls for what will continue to emerge during our community's worship of the living, loving God.

PRELUDE: *Prelude in C Minor, Op.28, No.20* F. Chopin

Bradley Jiang, Piano

INVITATION TO WORSHIP Emily Hull McGee

CALL TO WORSHIP Kara Parker

Leader: God is our rock and our fortress,
our refuge and strength.

People: **God is our hope and our trust.**

Leader: Let all the people shout praise to the Lord.

People: **Praise the Lord!**

INTROIT: *Gather Us In* M. Haugen



1. Here in this place — new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness van-ished a - way,
2. Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en, light-years a - way,



see in this space our fears and our dream-ings, brought here to you in the light of this
but in this place the new light is shin - ing, now is the King-dom and now is the



day. _____ Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en, gath-er us in, the blind and the lame;
day. _____ Gath-er us in, and hold us for-ev-er, gath-er us in and make us your own;



call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en, we shall a-rise at the sound of our name. _____
gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er, fire _____ of love in our flesh and our bone. _____

***HYMN 310: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee.....** HYMN TO JOY

***PASSING OF THE PEACE** Brent Greene

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Following the Passing of the Peace all students, teachers, school administrators, principals, librarians, and counselors are invited to the communion table to receive a blessing.

***BLESSING FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR**

HYMN 283: Holy Presence, Holy Teacher HARLAN

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 1:4-10 Kim Towles

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Nikki Byers

Leader: Our God is compassionate and merciful,
knowing us with an intimacy we cannot comprehend.
There is nothing we have done, or left undone,
that is not already known by God.
This gives us confidence to be fully ourselves,
that we can be fully forgiven.
Let us pray:

People: **Bold and Boundless God, you come to us as a consuming fire,
and the one who has consecrated us before time.
You promise us a kingdom that cannot be shaken
and call us to serve you with praise and thanksgiving.
But we forget, and yield to fear.
We trust in the tangible rewards of this world,
and neglect your promises.
We confess that we are a divided people;
we foster separations and widen rifts
in our families, our communities, and in the world.
Open us to your healing.
Free us from all that distances us from your presence.
Give us your grace and inspire us to serve you with courage;
through Jesus Christ who comes to save. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Nikki Byers

Leader: Promising forgiveness
and the sustenance we need to amend our lives,
God rejoices in our longing for wholeness.
Give thanks that we have been known and forgiven,
set free to live the resurrected life of faith.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

CHORAL RESPONSE: *O the Boundless Love of God* D. Mengel

Sanctuary Choir

O the boundless love of God, ever flowing free, all around me above and below,
flowing wide as the sea. O the boundless love of God, endless as the sky, glowing
brighter than all the stars, clothed in glory divine. O the love that embraces me. Sing,
my soul, set the praises free, alleluia! Sing for eternity; how vast is the love of God.
Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 13:10-17 Tommy Henley

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE Amy McClure

Heal-er of our ev-ery ill, light of each to-mor-row,
give us peace be-yond our fear, and hope be-yond our sor-row.

THE 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 forever. Amen.

SERMON: "*Bold Love and Boundless Compassion*" Emily Hull McGee

***HYMN OF RESPONSE 648: *Stir Your Church, O God, Our Father* MADILL**

All are invited to respond to God now in quiet or public ways. Our church welcomes you to share a new desire to follow in the way of Jesus or to join our congregation as a member. As we sing, please come to the front of the sanctuary and share your commitment with one of our ministers.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER Mark Thompson**

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

CHORAL OFFERTORY: *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* arr. H. Hopson

Sanctuary Choir

I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise; That spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey. I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food; God formed the creatures with a word and then pronounced them good. Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, wherever I turn my eyes; If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the skies. There's not a plant or flower below but

makes your glories known; And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from your throne; While all that borrows life from you is ever in your care; And everywhere that we can be, my God you're present there. Praise the Lord!

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES Amy McClure

***DOXOLOGY** **OLD HUNDREDTH**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***BENEDICTION** Emily Hull McGee

POSTLUDE: Golliwog's Cake Walk C. Debussy

Jacob Hill, Piano

**Those who are able will please stand.*

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FLOWERS

The flowers have been placed in our worship space to the glory of God and in honor of Lenwood Ammons who celebrated his 101st birthday on August 20, 2019. Happy birthday, Lenwood! We love and appreciate you!

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