

# First Baptist Church



**Growing *Toward* Christ**

July 4, 2021

# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 4, 2021

**Morning Worship**

**Eleven O'clock**

\* Please stand as you are able.

**Greeting and Invocation**

Dr. Wayne Brown

**Prelude**

Mrs. Pat Slomanski  
arr. Harold DeCou

*A Song of Liberty*

(concludes with *The Star-Spangled Banner*, \*Please stand)

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?  
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.  
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

**Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America**

I pledge allegiance to the flag  
of the United States of America,  
and to the Republic for which it stands,  
one nation under God, indivisible,  
with liberty and justice for all.

**Pledge to the Christian Flag**

I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag  
and to the Savior for Whose kingdom it stands.  
One brotherhood, uniting all Christians in service and love.

**Pledge to the Bible**

I pledge allegiance to the Bible,  
God's holy Word,  
and will make it a lamp unto my feet,  
a light unto my path,  
and will hide its words in my heart  
that I may not sin against God.

\* **Hymn of Praise, No. 629**     *God of Our Fathers*

NATIONAL HYMN  
Bryce Kronenwetter, Trumpet

**Responsive Reading**

(adapted from Psalms)

Congregation

Leader: The earth is the Lord's,

People: **And all who dwell in it.**

Leader: God is king over the nations:

People: **God sits on his holy throne.**

Leader: He rules by his might forever.

People: **His eyes keep watch on the nations.**

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
**People: For God judges the peoples with equity and guides the nations upon the earth.**  
 Leader: O Lord, be gracious to us and bless us,  
**People: And make your face to shine upon us.**  
 Leader: May your ways be known upon the earth,  
**People: Your saving power among all peoples.**  
 Leader: Lord of the nations, guide our people by your Spirit to go forward in justice and freedom. Give us what outward prosperity may be your will, but above all things, give us faith in you, that our nation may bring glory to your name and blessings to all peoples: through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
 All: Amen.

\* Hymn No. 634 *My Country 'Tis of Thee* AMERICA

\* Offertory Prayer Dr. Fred Senter

\* Presentation of Offerings *Doxology* OLD 100TH (altered)

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**Musical Reflection** *Purple Mountain Majesties* Bryce Kronenwetter  
 arr. Kevin Olson

**Pastoral Prayer** Dr. Brown

**Worship through Song** The Chancel Choir and Congregation  
*Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory* BATTLE HYMN  
 (Congregation please join on each refrain and the last stanza.)

He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;  
 He is wisdom to the mighty, He is honor to the brave;  
 So the world shall be His footstool, and the soul of wrong His slave.  
 Our God is marching on.  
 Glory! Glory, hallelujah! Glory! Glory hallelujah!  
 Glory! Glory, hallelujah! Our God is marching on.

**Sermon** Happy Birthday, America! Dr. Brown  
 Psalm 33:8-12; Proverbs 14:34; Micah 6:6-8

\* Hymn of Commitment, No. 626 ST. ANNE  
*In Christ, Our Liberty*

\* Benediction Dr. Brown

\* Postlude Mrs. Slomanski  
*A Tribute to Our Armed Forces – the Pride of America*  
 U.S. Army arr. Greg Gilpin  
 The Marine Hymn and Larry Clark  
 Anchors Aweigh  
 The United States Coast Guard  
 America the Beautiful

# God of Our Fathers

629

Our fathers trusted in thee — Psalm 22:4 KJV

(Trumpets before each stanza)

1. God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y
2. Thy love di - vine hath led us in the
3. From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -
4. Re - fresh Thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand Leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
past, In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;  
lence, Be Thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;  
way, Lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

Of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor thro' the skies,  
Be Thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay,  
Thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,  
Fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

Our grate - ful songs be - fore Thy throne a - rise.  
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our cho - sen way.  
Thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
And glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er Thine.

WORDS: Daniel C. Roberts, 1841-1907  
MUSIC: George W. Warren, 1828-1902

NATIONAL HYMN  
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# My Country, 'Tis of Thee

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Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD — Psalm 33:12 KJV

1. My coun - try, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of lib - er - ty,  
2. My na - tive coun - try, thee, Land of the no - ble free,  
3. Let mu - sic swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees  
4. Our fa - thers' God, to Thee, Au - thor of lib - er - ty,

Of thee I sing: Land where my fa - thers died, Land of the  
Thy name I love: I love thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and  
Sweet free - dom's song: Let mor - tal tongues a - wake; Let all that  
To Thee we sing: Long may our land be bright With free - dom's

pil - grims' pride, From ev - 'ry moun - tain - side Let free - dom ring!  
tem - pled hills; My heart with rap - ture thrills Like that a - bove.  
breathe par - take; Let rocks their si - lence break, The sound pro - long.  
ho - ly light; Pro - tect us by Thy might, Great God, our King!

WORDS: Samuel F. Smith, 1808-1895  
MUSIC: *Thesaurus Musicus*, 1744

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# In Christ, Our Liberty

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*For freedom ... Christ has set us free — Galatians 5:1 NIV*

1. We bind our-selves in free-dom's chains; The cross has set us free.  
2. Tho' creeds and laws im-posed by pow'r May mock e-qual-i-ty,  
3. We have no need of priest or king To in-ter-cede for souls;  
4. His call to us is ser-vant-hood, Not false hu-mil-i-ty.  
5. Now free in Christ it's time to stand, It's time to stand and cry

God's an-vil forged each link with love, In Christ, our lib-er-ty.  
Our trust in Christ and Christ a-lone Will keep our spir-its free.  
To live for Christ our cov-e-nant, To die to self our goal.  
Un-til we die to love of self, We are not tru-ly free.  
That free-dom will not live be-yond Our will-ing-ness to die.

WORDS: Lester Bork

MUSIC: William Croft, 1678-1727

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## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, July 4

- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

### Monday, July 5

Office Closed

### Tuesday, July 6

- 10:30 a.m. Children's Music Activity

### Saturday, July 10

- 6:30 p.m. Church-wide Cook Out at FBC

## LOOKING AHEAD

### Wednesday, July 14

- 10:30 a.m. Children's Music Activity

### Monday, July 19

- 9:30 a.m. Children's Music Activity

### Tuesday, July 20

- 6:30 a.m. Children's Music Activity

### Wednesday, July 28

- 6:30 p.m. Quarterly Church Conference in the Sanctuary

### Thursday, July 29

- 1:00 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive

### Friday, July 30

- 5:30 p.m. Family VBS Registration and Supper

### Saturday, July 31

- 9:00 a.m. - Family VBS with lunch provided  
1:00 p.m.

### Deacons of the Week

- 7/04 Tricia Sanderson / Haywood Corbett  
7/11 Lauren Cole / Donna Prince  
7/18 Genie Carter / Peggy Underwood  
7/25 David Carter / Charlie Duncan



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