

First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

June 21, 2020

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
The Third Sunday after Pentecost
Father's Day
June 21, 2020

Morning Worship

Eleven o' clock

Greeting

Dr. Wayne Brown

Prelude

This is My Father's World

Mrs. Patricia Slomanski
Diana Bish

Invocation

Dr. Brown

Hymn of Praise, No. 15

NETTLETON

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise:
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer;
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home:
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fetter,
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Litany

Congregation

Leader: Loving God, we come together this day, reminded not just of our earthly fathers but of you. For you tell us that all who believe in you shall be called your children, and you invite us to address you simply as "Our Father."
For the wonder of your love,

People: we praise you.

Leader: We praise you that, despite all our weakness and disobedience, you view us not as subjects, or as servants, but as children. And we rejoice that you want us to see you not as some deity remote in splendor, nor as a jealous God demanding our homage, but as a father, watching over us with infinite care and tenderness. For the wonder of your love,

People: we praise you.

Leader: Loving Father, teach us not simply to say “Our Father,” but to mean it—to recognize that you love us as deeply, as dependably, and as devotedly as any human father, and infinitely more besides. For the wonder of your love,

People: we praise you.

Leader: Teach us that we matter to you, that you are concerned for our welfare, that you delight to bless us, that we need only to ask and your are there. For the wonder of your love,

People: we praise you.

Leader: Teach us that it is because you care so much that you instruct us, discipline us, and correct us. For the wonder of your love,

People: we praise you.

Leader: Teach us that however far we stray from you, however much we may reject your love or ignore your guidance, still you go on reaching out, longing to draw us close once more. For the wonder of your love,

People: we praise you.

All: Loving God, you are “our Father’ and we praise you. Teach us to be your children, in the name of Christ. Amen.

Hymn, No. 352

Faith of Our Fathers

ST. CATHERINE

(Stanzas 1 and 3)

Faith of our fathers! Living still
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword,
O how our hearts beat high with joy
When-e'er we hear that glorious word!
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers! We will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach thee, too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life:
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Pastoral Prayer

Dr. Brown

Worship through Song

Rev. Doug Smith

The Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-32

Dr. Brown

Sermon

A Really Happy Father’s Day!

Dr. Brown

Hymn of Commitment, No.309

COMING HOME

Lord, I’m Coming Home

(Stanzas 1, 3 and 4)

I’ve wandered far away from God,
Now I’m coming home;
The paths of sin too long I’ve trod,
Lord, I’m coming home.

Refrain:
Coming home, coming home,
Nevermore to roam,
Open wide Thine arms of love,
Lord, I’m coming home.

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I've tired of sin and straying, Lord,
Now I'm coming home;
I'll trust Thy love, believe Thy word,
Lord, I'm coming home.

Refrain:
Coming home, coming home,
Nevermore to roam,
Open wide Thine arms of love,
Lord, I'm coming home.

My soul is sick, my heart is sore,
Now I'm coming home;
My strength renew, my hope restore,
Lord, I'm coming home.

Sing refrain:

Benediction

Dr. Brown

Postlude

A Festal Fanfare
(from the Fourth Concerto)

Mrs. Slomanski
Johann Sebastian Bach



Today's litany was copied from www.mennonitebrethren.ca/worship_resources/fathers-day/

During the worship service all church facility doors, except for the sanctuary foyer center doors, will be locked. Should you need assistance an usher will be available in the foyer.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

- 11:00 a.m. **Sunday, June 21**
*Morning Worship
- 10:00 a.m. **Monday, June 22**
Staff Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. **Tuesday, June 23**
Reopen the Church Committee Meeting
- 5:30 p.m.-
6:30 p.m. **Wednesday, June 24**
Drive-through Fellowship Meal
- Deacons of the Week**
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| 6/21 | Chris Blackmon / Barbara Whitson |
| 6/28 | Coburn Powell / Brad Johnson |
| 7/05 | Sandra Floyd / Haywood Corbett |
| 7/12 | Lauren Cole / Donna Prince |



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