

First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

September 17, 2023

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday

September 17, 2023

Morning Worship

Eleven o'clock

*"I don't say this out of need, for I have learned to be content
in whatever the circumstances I am in."
Philippians 4:11*

Prelude

My Jesus, I Love Thee

Dr. Patricia Slomanski
arr. Diane Bish

Invocation

Dr. Christopher Hillman

Greeting, Welcome, and Announcements

Dr. Hillman

Responsive Reading

John 15:4-5;9-10

Dr. Hillman

Leader: Remain in me, and I in you. Just as a branch is unable to produce fruit by itself unless it remains on the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me!

People: I am the vine; you are the branches.

Leader: The one who remains in me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without me!

People: As the Father has loved me, I have also loved you.

Leader: Remain in my love! If you keep my commands you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in His love!

All: I have told you these things so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete!

Hymn of Praise, No. 14

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise ye the Lord . . . His glory is above the earth and heaven. Psalm 148:1, 13

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Dr. Hillman

Offertory Hymn, No. 441

Since Jesus Came into My Heart

I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. Galatians 2:20 NIV

Offertory Prayer

Dr. Ron Walters

Offertory

It is Well With My Soul

Dr. Slomanski
arr. Albin Whitworth

*When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll:
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

*My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious tho't:
My sin not in part, but the whole
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!*

*And, Lord, hast the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
“Even so,” it is well with my soul.*

*It is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

Doxology

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

Reading of the Holy Scripture

Philippians 4:11

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Sermon

No Matter What

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Hymn of Invitation, No. 458

*Nearer, My God, to Thee
Peace to him . . . that is near, saith the Lord. Isaiah 57:19*

Benediction

Dr. Hillman

Postlude

Postlude in C Major

Dr. Slomanski
Johann Sebastian Bach



The flowers today are given to the glory of God in honor of our newly elected deacons:
Buster Carter, Brownie Cook, Charlie Duncan, Bobby Hensley, Kirby Sanderson,
and Sandra Floyd (taking Janice Young's last year of service) by Fred and Martha Senter.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

- 9:45 a.m. **Sunday, September 17**
 11:00 a.m. Sunday School
 Morning Worship
- 9:30 a.m. **Monday, September 18**
 Finance Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. **Tuesday, September 19**
 Deacons' Meeting
- 5:45 p.m. **Wednesday, September 20**
 6:30 p.m. Covered-dish Meal
 Prayer Meeting
 Annual Church Conference, Nominating
 Committee Report Vote, and Budget
 Discussion
- 9:45 a.m. **Sunday, September 24**
 11:00 a.m. Sunday School
 Morning Worship, Communion, Budget Vote
- 9:30 a.m. **Sunday, October 1**
 New Church Year Begins
 Church-wide Sunday School Kick-off
 Breakfast
 Everyone is invited!
- 9:45 a.m. Combined Sunday School for adults
 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 2:30 p.m.- **Tuesday, October 3**
 4:30 p.m. Blood Connection Blood Drive
- TBD **Wednesday, October 11**
 Crossroads Pharmacy Flu Shot Clinic



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Deacons of the Week

9/17 Stephen Prince / Betty Jo Prevatte
 9/24 Kate C. Lee / John Sauls

Thank you for your participation in the Deacon Election last week. Please continue to prayer for our Deacon Body:

Term Expires 2024

Kate C. Lee
 Stephen Prince
 Hilda Ray
 Glenn Waters
 Sandi Floyd

Term Expires 2025

Willis Pinnell
 Betty Jo Prevatte
 Mel Ray
 Ella Jo Sellers
 Merle Worley

Term Expires 2026

Buster Carter
 Brownie Cook
 Charlie Duncan
 Bobby Hensley
 Kirby Sanderson