THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AUGUST 4, 2024 11AM WORSHIP

SEATTLE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
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Welcome to Worship at Seattle First Baptist. All are Welcome.

Children are a treasured part of our community.

Please find a Worship Adventure Packet or a Busy Box at the Welcome Table.

We gather on the unceded ancestral lands of the Coast Salish people, past and present. With gratitude, we honor the land itself and the legacy of the First People of Seattle, the Duwamish Tribe. May we remember that the oppression of Native peoples is not a relic of the past but continues today. And may we, through God's Spirit, repent and walk forward together, changing systems that discriminate as we live into authentic diversity and healing.

*If it is comfortable, you are invited to stand.

Announcements Pastor Anita Peebles

Prelude "Adagio cantabile" (Sonata "Pathétique," Op. 13) Christian Broughton

L.V. BEETHOVEN

Gathering Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove

*Hymn 8 "Praise to the Living God" DIADEMATA

Scripture JOHN 15:12-17 (NRSVUE)

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my [Parent in heaven]. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the [Parent] will give you whatever you ask them in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Reader: For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, and for the word of God within us,

All: Thanks be to God.

Time with Mister Rogers "It's You I Like" Fred Rogers

Call to Giving

*Hymn 58 "Spirit of Love" PERFECT LOVE

Prayer Pastor Anita Peebles

Special Music "You've Got a Friend" Ben Luedcke

CAROLE KING

When you're down and troubled and you need some lovin' care And nothin', nothin' is goin' right.

Close your eyes and think of me and soon I will be there,

To brighten up even your darkest night.

You just call out my name and you know, wherever I am

I'll come runnin' to see you again.

Winter, spring, summer or fall, all you have to do is call And I'll be there; You've got a friend.

If the sky above you grows dark and full of clouds, And that old north wind begins to blow. Keep your head together and call my name out loud, Soon you'll hear me knockin' at your door.

Now, ain't it good to know that you've got a friend when people can be so cold? They'll hurt you, yes, and desert you; and take your soul if you let them.

Oh, but don't you let them.

Scripture

RUTH 1:6-17 (NRSVUE)

Then Naomi started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered their people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters. Why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law goodbye, but Ruth clung to her. So she said, "Look, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you, to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people and your God my God. Where you die, I will die, and there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!"

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Sermon "It's You I Like" Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove

Communion Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove and Pastor Anita Peebles

Communion Music "Abide With Me" Christian Broughton

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

*Hymn 394 "In Christ There Is No East or West" MCKEE

Benediction Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove

Postlude "Andante grazioso" (Sonata K. 331) Christian Broughton

W.A. MOZART

Please join us for coffee hour.

You may give financially to SFBC online here:



Each time we gather for worship, we believe Jesus shows up and the Holy Spirit hovers among us. This morning, we light a white candle to represent the presence of the risen Christ among us.

Our Mister Rogers song for this week can be found at the Mister Rogers website here: misterrogers.org

Outdoor Worship and First Hill Community Picnic: Sunday, August 18 at First Hill Park. Worship at 11am followed by a picnic from 12-2pm. Free parking garage available. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets. Picnic food, drinks at Birch Road Clubhouse, face painting, bouncy house, and tours of Stimson-Green Mansion all provided. Sponsored by SFBC, First Hill Improvement Association, Washington Trust for Historic Preservation—Stimson-Green Mansion, and Birch Road Clubhouse.

SFBC CALENDAR THIS WEEK

For Zoom links, see our online calendar at seattlefirstbaptist.org

Monday 8/5 Book Discussion: Fire Weather 7pm on Zoom

Tuesday 8/6 Prayer and Reflection 12pm on Zoom

Sunday 8/11 Worship: Pentecost 12 11am in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday 8/11 Finance Committee Meeting 12:30pm in the Peacemaker's Room

Please see This Week in your email and on our Facebook page for further information and other announcements.

Email contact@seattlefirstbaptist.org to reach any of the following people.

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