OUTDOOR WORSHIP on the THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AUGUST 18, 2024 11AM WORSHIP

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Welcome to Worship at Seattle First Baptist. All are Welcome.

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 Leigh Curl-Dove

Gathering Pastor Anita Peebles

ONE: God of the Cosmos,

ALL: your love reaches beyond space and time.

ONE: We are astonished by your vast creation—innumerable galaxies surrounded by dark matter, elegant structures and staggering variety, the interplay of matter and energy, the pull of gravity and the speed of light—

ALL: all showing your wisdom and glory, Holy One!

ONE: We are dust and stardust, made in your image.

ALL: We are part of the creation you are making new.

ONE: Let our awe increase, like your ever-expending universe,

ALL: until we find ourselves lost in wonder, love, and praise

ONE: Because we know that coming close to your beautiful creation

ALL: Is knowing you more fully.

ONE: Let us worship.

*Hymn 28

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

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Scripture Luke 5:17-26 Erin McGlenn

One day while he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law who had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem were sitting nearby, and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. Just then some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a stretcher. They were trying to bring him in and lay him before Jesus, but, finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down on the stretcher through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus. When he saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven you." Then the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, "Who is this who is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" When Jesus perceived their questionings, he answered them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Stand up and walk'? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the one who was paralyzed—"I say to you, stand up and take your stretcher and go to your home." Immediately he stood up before them, took what he had been lying on, and went to his home, glorifying God. Amazement seized all of them, and they glorified God and were filled with fear, saying, "We have seen incredible things today."

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

"Did You Know?"

Mister Rogers' Neighborhood

Call to Giving Brent Marble

***Song** "All of Us" Ben Luedcke

AMANDA MEISENHEIMER

All of us, every one of us belongs in a circle of community.
All of life, all that grows and breaths is a part of our beautiful home. *(repeat)*

Refrain: Ay ay oh oh, all of us. Ay ay oh oh community.

Ay ay oh oh, all of life is a part of our beautiful home.

All of us, the young and very old all around the world in community.

All of life, on the land and in the seas is a part of our beautiful home. (repeat)

Prayer Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove

Scripture

PSALM 65 (NRSVUE)

Praise is due to you,
O God, in Zion,
and to you shall vows be performed,

O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.

We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;

you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might.

You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples. Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

You visit the earth and water it; you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain,

you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

You water its furrows abundantly,

settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

The pastures of the wilderness overflow; the hills gird themselves with joy;

the meadows clothe themselves with flocks; the valleys deck themselves with grain; they shout and sing together for joy.

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Sermon "Did You Know?" Pastor Anita Peebles

***Song (insert)** "The Tide is Rising"

SHOSHANA MEIRA FRIEDMAN and YOTAM SCHACTER

Benediction Pastor Anita Peebles

Please join us on the lawn of the Stimson-Green Mansion for a picnic.

You may give financially to SFBC online here:



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

The Spire for Homecoming: Please note that articles and announcements for our Homecoming Edition of *The Spire* are due Monday, August 19. All submissions should be sent to editor@seattlefirstbaptist.org.

SFBC CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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

Tuesday 8/20 Prayer and Reflection 12pm on Zoom

Tuesday 8/20 Parents of Adult Children Living with Mental Illness 7pm

Saturday 8/24 Men's Group 11am on Zoom

Sunday 8/25 Worship: Pentecost 14 11am in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday 8/25 Interfaith Climate Action 6:30pm on Zoom

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

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