

**THE SEVENTEENTH
SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



**SEPTEMBER 15, 2024
11 AM WORSHIP**



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Welcome to 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 tables in the foyer. Children are free to use these resources in the pews or the Wiggle Room.

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	“Land of Rest” WILBUR HELD	Christian Broughton
Gathering		Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove
*Hymn 12	“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”	ELLACOMBE
Time with Children		Pastor Anita Peebles
Song	“Guide My Feet” TRADITIONAL SPIRITUAL	Ben Luedcke and Alex Katschke

Guide my feet while I run this race...

Refrain: For I don't want to run this race in vain.

Hold my hand while I run this race...

Stand by me while I run this race...

I'm your child while I run this race...

Scripture	PSALM 19 (NRSVUE)	Muriel Jones-Cashdollar
The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens and its circuit to the end of them, and nothing is hid from its heat.	The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.	

Moreover, by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.
But who can detect one's own errors?
Clear me from hidden faults.
Keep back your servant also from the insolent;
do not let them have dominion over me.

Then I shall be blameless
and innocent of great transgression.
Let the words of my mouth and
the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

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.

Call to Giving

Jacob Maez

***Hymn 531**

“God, Speak to Me, That I May Speak”

CANONBURY

Licensing John Malcomson to Ministry

Please read the bolded words in unison when invited.

ALL: Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on John. Consecrate him for the work of ministry to all your people. Grant wisdom to discern the mind of Christ, compassion for human need, and love toward all those to whom he is called to minister. Strengthen and nourish John's faith, both through the challenges and rewards of his study, and through even more fruitful work among your people. May your Spirit rest upon him this day and in all the days to come. Amen.

Prayer

Pastor Anita Peebles

Anthem

“Equip Us for Your Service, Lord”

Sanctuary Choir

KENNETH T. KOSCHE

Equip us for your service, Lord, that we in every place, may show convincing evidence of your creative grace. Your treasure trove of talents we receive with grateful joy. Now give in sight and wisdom, Lord, and skill in their employ. So free us for your service, Lord, that we in every place, may show convincing evidence of your creative grace. Occasions lost or squandered through our laziness and fear, forgive us, Model Servant, then give strength to persevere. Inspire us for your service, Lord, that we in every place, may show convincing evidence of your renewing grace. Refocus minds turned inward and refresh hearts dulled by care, that of the needs of others we may better be aware. Creator, Son, and Spirit blest, all glory be to you, when through your gifts we evidence the will to think and do, such things as serve our neighbors and bring honor to the One, whose name you place up on us all: Christ Jesus, God's own Son.

Scripture

MARK 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi, and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes and be killed and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things. He called the crowd

with his disciples and said to them, “If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

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Sermon	“Who Carries It with You?”	Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove
*Hymn 539	“Won’t You Let Me Be Your Servant?”	SERVANT SONG
Benediction		Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove
Postlude	“Sunset to Sunrise” GILBERT M. MARTIN	Christian Broughton

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee hour.

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SFBC CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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

Sunday 9/15 **Friendship Circle** 12:45pm in the Peacemaker’s Room

Sunday 9/15 **SFBC at Seattle Storm** 3pm at Climate Pledge Arena

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

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