

The Last  
Sunday after  
Pentecost

Nov. 24, 2024  
11AM Worship



## Welcome to Seattle First Baptist Church. 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.*

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

Announcements John Benner

Prelude Christian Broughton

“Nun danket alle Gott”

GEORG FRIEDRICH KAUFMANN

Gathering Pastor Anita Peebles

**\*Hymn 422** ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

“Come, O Thankful People, Come”

Time with Children Pastor Anita Peebles

Scripture JOEL 2:21-26 (NRSVUE) John Benner

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit; the fig tree and vine give their full yield.

O children of Zion, be glad, and rejoice in the Lord your God, for he has given the early rain for your vindication; he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain; the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the

hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army that I sent against you.

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

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

Danny de la Cruz

\*Hymn (below)

## We Gather Together

Theodore Baker

KREMSER

We gath - er to - geth - er to ask for God's bless - ing, to  
Be - side us, for - giv - ing, en - a - bling, sus - tain - ing, You  
All praise to the Spir - it, pro - vid - er, de - fend - er, You

live in com - mu - ni - ty, seek - ing God's will. We  
call us, O Sav - ior to life that is new. You  
of - fer us free - dom, to fol - low or stray, Em -

come now as sis - ters and bro - thers con - fess - ing the  
draw us a - way from self - cen - tered com - plain - ing, You  
pow - er - ing all by the hope you en - gen - der. Grant

sins that di - vide and the wrong in us still.  
 lead us and guide us in ways that are true.  
 wis - dom and cour - age to fol - low your way.

## Prayer

*Please join in prayer by reading the bolded words.*

One: Let us give thanks to our Creator for all the good gifts so freely bestowed upon us.  
 For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

**ALL: We thank you, Holy One.**

One: For all that is gracious in the lives of people the whole world over, revealing the  
 image of Christ,

**ALL: We thank you, Holy One.**

One: For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

**ALL: We thank you, Holy One.**

One: For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

**ALL: We thank you, Holy One.**

One: For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

**ALL: We thank you, Holy One.**

One: For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

**ALL: We thank you, Holy One.**

One: For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

**ALL: We thank you, Holy One.**

One: For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

**ALL: We thank you, Holy One.**

One: God of Abundance, thank you for sending your beloved child Jesus to show us how to  
 live and love. May you move in each of our lives and hearts so that we may honor you  
 each day. Help us all do our parts to bring about a beloved community in our world.

**ALL: Amen.**

Anthem

“Come, Children of Zion”

Sanctuary Choir

*arr.* LLOYD LARSON

Scott Kovacs, *guest conductor*

Come children of Zion and help us to raise  
Loud songs of our joy: holy anthems of praise.  
God came down to Earth for our hearts to unite  
And show us the pathway and give us new sight.  
Great things God hath taught us, great things God hath done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
O perfect redemption, the balm for our strife  
To all humble servants, the promise of life.  
To God be the glory, great things God hath done,  
So loved God the world that God gave us the Son,  
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the life gate that all may go in.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear God’s voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

Scripture

MATTHEW 6:25-33 (NRSVUE)

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

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and for the word of God within us,

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Enough-ness”

Pastor Anita Peebles

**\*Hymn 425**

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

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Benediction

Pastor Anita Peebles

Postlude

“Hyfrydol”

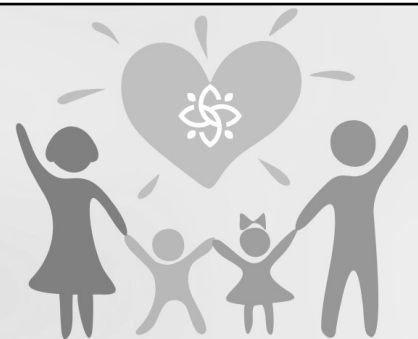
Christian Broughton

R. VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

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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 in the Wiggle Room (on the north end of the sanctuary, a mostly-soundproof room where young worshippers and people who need to move around can see and hear the service). Every minor in the Wiggle Room must be attended by an adult.



**THANKSGIVING LUNCH TODAY**

**AFTER WORSHIP IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL**

All are welcome to join us for a Thanksgiving lunch after worship this morning. Lunch will include spiral cut ham, vegetarian chicken nuggets, green bean casserole, macaroni and cheese, salad and delicious pies with whipped cream.

**SFBC 2025 PLEDGES**

Thank you to everyone who has pledged for the 2025 General Budget. Your pledges are appreciated and important as your finance committee plans the 2025 budget. If you have not yet had a chance to pledge, please click [HERE](#) or the link below to submit your pledges online, or pick up a form at the greeter table on Sunday and place the completed form in the offering box.

<https://www.seattlefirstbaptist.org/give/2025-pledge-form/>



**CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURES**

The church office will be closed November 28th and 29th in observance of Thanksgiving.

**CELEBRATION OF LIGHT AND JOY  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 FROM 12–2PM**

All are welcome to Seattle First Baptist Church for our 5th Annual Celebration of Light and Joy! We welcome our members, friends and neighborhood to join us on Sunday, December 8 at noon for a Lunch with Santa followed by a Christmas Carol-Sing with choir and brass in our beautifully decorated sanctuary. Children and youth are especially welcome to take a photo with Santa and share in the joy of the season!

**SEATTLE JAZZ VESPERS PRESENTS**

**JOVINO SANTOS NETO QUARTETO**

Sunday, December 1, 2024 at 6pm at Seattle First Baptist

Three-time Latin Grammy nominee Jovino Santos Neto, a master pianist, composer and arranger, is among the top Brazilian musicians working today. In 2011, 2012, 2015 and 2018 the Jovino Santos Neto Quinteto won as Best Northwest Acoustic Group in the Golden Ear Awards by Earshot Jazz. Come hear them next Sunday in the SFBC Sanctuary!



**SEATTLE FIRST BAPTIST CALENDAR THIS WEEK**

All groups and events are open to new members unless otherwise stated below. For more information, see the church calendar, The Spire, or email [smallgroups@seattlefirstbaptist.org](mailto:smallgroups@seattlefirstbaptist.org). The schedule below is accurate to the best of our knowledge at the time of publication.

- SUNDAY 11/24 YOUTH GROUP 1pm in the Youth Lounge
- SUNDAY 11/24 INTERFAITH CLIMATE ACTION 6:30pm on ICA Zoom
- TUESDAY 11/26 PRAYER AND REFLECTION 12pm on Prayer Group Zoom
- THURSDAY 11/28 AND FRIDAY 11/29 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
- SATURDAY 11/30 MEN'S GROUP 11am on Men's Group Zoom
- SUNDAY 12/1 SEATTLE JAZZ VESPERS 6pm in the Sanctuary

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SEATTLE FIRST BAPTIST'S 5TH ANNUAL

# *Celebration of Light and Joy*

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024  
12:00–2:00PM**

**LUNCH WITH SANTA CLAUS  
CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-ALONG  
WITH CHOIR AND BRASS  
FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**



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