



“Seek ye first
the kingdom of God,
and his righteousness;
and all these things
shall be added unto you.”

WORSHIP OF GOD | 10th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | August 6, 2023
First Baptist Church of Rochester
175 Allens Creek Road, Rochester, New York 14618
Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Evann Hasenauer, student pastor

Special Music *Dialogue* Joseph Clokey

Children's Time Evann Hasenauer

***Hymn 349** *Seek Ye First* K. Lafferty

Gospel *Matthew 14:13-21* Rev. Joanne
Gilbert-Cannon

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon *Priorities* Rev. Joanne
Gilbert-Cannon

Giving our Gifts to God

In response for the gift of God's abundance, we return to God gifts of what we have and gifts of who we are. To contribute financially to the work of FBCR you may leave an offering in the plate as it is passed, or send an offering by mail or give at rochesterfbc.org/contribute.

Music in Response *Lydian Harmonies* James Woodman

Prayer of Dedication

The Lord's Supper Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon
Evann Hasenauer

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Unison Prayer

God, as we break this bread and eat this cup, we ask for a renewed sense of your call on our lives, to love our neighbor and to serve you with our best selves. Feed us now, so that we can feed others. Amen.

**congregation sings*

Everyone is welcome to receive the elements of communion.
Please come forward if you are able.

Benediction

***Parting Music 393**

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

J. Faucett, J. Nägeli
arr. L. Mason

*Blessed be the tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love,
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

Thank you to those participating in today's service including: Kandee Tabor, reader; Evann Hasenauer, student pastor, Communion assistant; Bob McDonald and Richard Wien ushers; Oliver Hood, Janet Richardson, and Glenn Stahl, tech team; and our musicians: Doleen Hood, pianist and Samuel Baker, organist.

Hello from Henry Griffin, your new FBCR music director!

I am so excited to get the full music program started in September and to include opportunities for volunteer musicians to participate!! I invite everyone to try out their singing voice in the FBCR Adult Choir this fall. Rehearsals will be held on Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM, and volunteer singers will perform in worship a couple of times each month. One and all are truly welcome whether you are a beginner, a veteran choral singer, or anything in between! Plus, our fabulous section leaders will be there to help every step of the way. Rehearsals start September 10. If you think you might be interested, send me a quick note at trumpetswan@comcast.net — or just show up! Come and sing with us!!

**congregation sings*



At First Baptist Church we welcome and affirm all people regardless of race, class, gender, physical challenge, place of origin, or sexual orientation in worship, in community, in membership, and in all aspects of congregational life. If you wish to be a part of the FBCR community, we have good news – we already consider you a part. Please sign our guest book or trade contact information with any member so we might get to know you better and help you connect more fully. If you wish to

consider entering into a covenant relationship (membership) with FBCR, ask any member to tell you about their experience. Welcome.



We're delighted you've joined us in worship today. If this is the first time or one of the first times you've worshiped with us, would you consider letting us know? We would love to get to know you better. If you are willing to trust us with your contact information so we may connect you soon, please sign the book in the narthex, complete the card found in the small pocket in your pew—placing it in the offering plate, or go to rochesterfbc.org/guest.



****Royalties for Spirituals**

Whenever we sing a Spiritual in worship, a special offering to cover the royalties never collected on numerous Spirituals over the years is taken then forwarded to the William Warfield Scholarship Fund at Eastman School of Music. This fund is “dedicated to providing financial support and encouragement for African American students seeking to attain success in the field of classical vocal music.” The fund is in the memory of singer, actor, music educator, and Rochester’s own William Warfield. Please place RFS in the memo line of your check. Learn more at www.rochesterfbc.org/spirituals.

INVITATION TO MISSION AND MINISTRY

Wednesday Check-in: Our online Zoom chat is held each Wednesday evening through the summer beginning at 5:30 PM for anyone who wishes.

OWLS (Older Wiser Learning Seniors): Thursday, Aug. 10 with chair exercise at 11:30 AM; lunch at 12:15 PM; and at 12:30 PM a program with our medical expert, Dan Nowak with *DNR, MOLST, & Health Proxy Simplified*. A \$10 donation is appreciated. Please RSVP to Kande Tabor at (585) 520-6948 or email her at kandeetabor@gmail.com.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace: Our next Mission Project will be to build twin and bunk beds for an organization called *Sleep in Heavenly Peace* who's motto is *No Child Sleeps on the Floor in Our Town* (Greater Rochester Area). We will sign up for a 2-hour shift to build beds on **Saturday, September 9th** at the Macedon Lowes. You DO NOT need any construction experience to volunteer!

Also, we will be collecting donations of twin sized comforter sets or "bed-in-a-bag" sets for children, tweens, and teens. You can also donate new blankets (purchased or homemade). No **pillows or sheets sets** needed at this time! These items will be collected and displayed at the front of the church as they are collected.

Sign up through our website where you can also find more information including link to the organizations, wish-lists, and up-to-date details go to www.rochesterfbc.org/connections.

On Friday evening, September 29, the church family and friends are invited to a Pasta Dinner and Talent Show put on by YOU! The supplied meal will consist of Pasta and Sauces bar (regular and GF pastas; butter or marinara sauces with optional meatballs); salad, with plain and garlic breads. Desserts will be "bring to share". So dust off you magic tricks, vocal cords, instruments or any other talent you would like to share and let's all see, "Who's Got Talent?"

Save the Date: Join us on Friday Evening, October 20 for **A Welcome Celebration with Music** as we introduce Joanne and Henry to the Greater Rochester Community. Invite your friends!

For the latest news and information, please go to our website to the *FBCR Connections* page at www.rochesterfbc.org/connections.