



WORSHIP OF GOD | 11th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | August 13, 2023
First Rochester | An American Baptist Church
175 Allens Creek Road, Rochester, New York 14618
Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Evann Hasenauer, student pastor

Children's Time

Evann Hasenauer

Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

Rev. Joanne
Gilbert-Cannon

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Away to Pray

Rev. Joanne
Gilbert-Cannon

Hymn 489

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Ken Medema

Fear

Hymn 484 v. 1

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Taizé Community

Come walk on the Water

Hymn 484 v. 2

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Taizé Community

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, send an offering by mail, or give at rochesterfbc.org/contribute.

Music in Response

Peacherine Rag

Scott Joplin

Doxology 688

We Give Thee But Thine Own

W. How; Mason &
Webb's *Cantica Laudis*

**We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be.
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

**congregation sings*

Unison Prayer of Dedication

We give back to You O God such a small portion of what You have given to us. May we become ever more generous to the needs around us, serving and giving in Your name. Amen.

Invitation to Mission and Ministry

Worshippers with information on the life of the church are invited to offer announcements. From Zoom simply unmute and speak up. From campus, come to one of the congregation microphones.

***Closing Hymn 438**

On Eagle's Wings

M. Joncas

Benediction

Postlude

Love divine, all loves excelling

R. Vaughan Williams

The flowers on the altar today are given in memory of Rebecca Seyler, Joanne's sister who died this past Tuesday.

Thank you to those participating in today's service including: JoAnn Trolley, reader; Evann Hasenauer, student pastor; Bob McDonald and Richard Wien ushers; Oliver Hood, Janet Richardson, and Glenn Stahl, tech team; and our musicians: Doleen Hood, vocals, piano, and melodica; Oliver Hood, cello; and Samuel Baker, organ.

Who you like to help in worship or with fellowship on a Sunday. There are various ways sign up on the Vitality Table. We need readers, fellowship helpers, ushers, and more. Readers need for September and October and we need Usher help from September 20 though the month of October. Thanks for signing up!

**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.

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 henry@rochesterfbc.org — or just show up! Come and sing with us!!

Music Program Updates: August 27 will be Henry's first Sunday with us, and we look forward to welcoming him to FBCR! We are grateful to Sam Baker for his support as interim director last spring and welcome him back for another season as our wonderful organist. Section Leaders will return in full on September 10, with two special solo Sundays leading up to that date:

August 27 - Andrew Miller (Tenor Section Leader)

September 3 – Konstantina Gotouhidis (new Soprano Section Leader)

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. 17 with chair exercise at 11:30 AM; lunch at 12:15 PM; and at 12:30 PM a program. This week we welcome Doris Adamek sharing *The Sinking of the Athenia* (the first ship to be torpedoed by a WWII U-boat). A \$10 donation is appreciated. Please RSVP to Kandee 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 a link to the organization, wish-list, 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 20th at 7:00 PM** for *Installation in a New Key: A Musical Welcome* as First Rochester introduces Joanne and Henry to the Greater Rochester Community. Invite your friends!

The Church has a used piano (chapel) and small organ (Rm. 14) for anyone who would like one. Please see Dick or Janet if you are interested.

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