



In the beginning,
God
Created
The
Heavens
and The
Earth.
Genesis 1:1, ESV

WORSHIP OF GOD | 15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | September 10, 2023

First Rochester | An American Baptist Church

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Henry Griffin, music director



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.

Thank you to those participating in today's service including: Richard Wien, reader; Bob McDonald and Richard Wien ushers; Susen and Scott McClellan, and Janet Richardson, tech team; and our section leaders: Konstantina Gotouhidis, soprano; Emma Unkrich, alto; Andrew Miller, tenor; and Jack O'Leary, bass; Samuel Baker, organ; and Henry Griffin, piano and Music Director.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude *Trumpet Tune in D* David N. Johnson

Chiming of the Hour

Gathering Music *Requiem, Mvmt IV:
Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen* Johannes Brahms

Translation:

How lovely are thy dwelling places, O Lord of Hosts!
My soul requires and yearns for
the courts of the Lord;
My body and soul rejoice
in the living God.

How lovely are thy dwelling places, O Lord of Hosts!
Blessed are they that dwell in thy house;
they praise you forever.

How lovely are thy dwelling places!

Welcome Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon

Call to Worship Psalm 67 Richard Wien
(adapted for worship-jgc)

One: May God be gracious to us and bless us and shine on us.

All: That God's way may be known here on earth, that God's salvation may be known to us.

One: Let the people praise You O God; let all the peoples praise You.

All: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You judge and guide us with equity and grace.

One: Let the people praise You O God, let all the peoples praise You.

All: The earth has yielded her fruit, the blessing of God's creation.

One: May God continue to bless the earth and it's peoples.

All: Let all the ends of the earth revere God. We worship God with praise and thanksgiving.

*Hymn 22	<i>Let All Things Now Living</i>	Katherine Davis, Welsh Melody
Hebrew Scriptures	<i>Jeremiah 29:11-14</i>	Richard Wien
Morning Prayer		Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon
Sharing our Joys and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer		
Lord's Prayer		
Special Music	<i>Scherzo No. 3, Op. 39 in c-sharp minor</i>	Frédéric Chopin
Children's Time		Evann Hasenauer
*Hymn 35	<i>Morning Has Broken</i>	Eleanor Farjeon Gaelic Melody, arr. D. Evans
Hebrew Scriptures	<i>Genesis 1:1, 24-2:3</i>	Rev. Joanne Gilbert Cannon
Prayer for Illumination		
Sermon		Rev. Joanne Gilbert Cannon
Giving our Gifts to God		
<p>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.</p>		
Music in Response	<i>If you will trust in God to guide you</i>	Marcel Dupré

**congregation sings*

Doxology 34

*Praise God from Whom
All Blessing Flow*

T. Ken; L. Bourgeois
Genevan Psalter

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**Unison Prayer of Dedication: We pray, O God, that these gifts be
accepted as the symbols of our lives. For as we dedicate these gifts, so
do we consecrate our lives to your service. Amen.**

(Manual Of Worship, Judson Press, p. 74)

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 #23** *All Creatures of Our God and King* St. Francis of Assisi
Geistliche Kirchengesäng

Benediction

Postlude

Let All Creation Praise the Lord

Charles Forsberg



INVITATION TO MIS

OWLS (Older Wiser Learning Seniors): Thursday, September 14, we will begin with chair exercise at 11:30 AM; lunch at 12:15 PM; and at 12:30 PM a program. This week *OWLS Costs: What does the program cost and where does the money come from?* 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—Mission Project - collecting bedding with a fun twin bed build day! Sixteen volunteers worked for 2 hours, and we delivered 10 Comforter Sets; 6 Blankets; 5 Sheet Sets; and 11 Bedding Sets with Comforter, Sham, Sheets, and Pillowcases to SHP on Saturday, September 9 from 1-3 PM. Well done FBCR!

Music Program: We welcome back section leaders! Returning this season are Emma Unkrich, alto; Andrew Miller, tenor; and Jack O’Leary, bass. Joining them is Konstantina Gotouhidis as our new soprano section leader.

A new website will be launched tomorrow. For those who use Zoom you will find the link to the site under the “WALK” heading. Then you will log in as you normally do. Please try it at least one time on Wednesday afternoon or Thursday morning and contact us in the church office if you have any problems. More details about our site and our entire multi-media initiative will be shared next Sunday.

Jubilee Sunday, September 17 will kick off the new program year. Come enjoy our worship, music, and community together. Plan to join us and invite others.

Book Club: Our book for Tuesday, September 26, 11:30 AM—1:00 PM, is *Gilead* by Marilynne Robinson. You may bring your lunch and beverages will be provided. There will be good discussion and time together. As we look ahead to our October 24 gathering, we will be choosing our own book by Wendell Berry - poet, novelist, essayist. The library system doesn’t have enough of any one title to read the same book, so we’ll read a variety and bring our individual reactions to share with the group. We hope you will join us.

Please sign up today for our Pasta Dinner and Talent Show. On Friday evening, September 29, the church family and friends are invited to gather together for an intergenerational fellowship event. 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 your magic tricks, vocal cords, instruments, your paintings or any other talent you would like to share. This is a fun and chill evening. No talent to share? No worries, just come and enjoy in the fun. Please sign up.

SION AND MINISTRY

Members and friends of First Baptist Church of Rochester are invited for the Interment of Ashes for Rose Welch. The brief service, led by Dr. Ken Williams, will be held on Saturday morning, **September 16, 2023, at 10 AM** at the Mausoleum of Oakwood Cemetery, 1975 Baird Road, Penfield, NY. Chuck has lovingly arranged for Rose to have a niche that looks toward Penfield High School, where many students, under Rose's wisdom and insight, learned the expressive and creative gift of Art.

Atonement Lutheran Church will have a Chicken Dinner on September 23, from 4:30 PM until they run out where all proceeds will go to support the Brighton Coalition of Churches' (of which we are a part) next build. Help them support this build and take an evening off from cooking. The meal consists of Chicken, coleslaw, beans, and roll at a cost of \$15.00.

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. This event will feature great music, scripture and prose from an array of musicians with differing musical talents. Our goal is to keep the event to about 1 hour. We can guarantee it will not be like any other installation you have attended. We hope for energy, joy, laughter, and a variety of music to delight us all. Please plan to attend and invite your friends!

Thanks for signing up for Sunday help! There are still a few slots which we need filled and we do appreciate those who did sign up. Still seeking substitute ushers for the end of September through the end of October.

PREACHING CLASS: *"Everyone has at least one good sermon within their hearts and maybe more"*, says Pastor Joanne. To help you prepare to share your sermon with our congregation, Pastor Joanne is inviting anyone interested in a three or four session **Preaching class** to sign-up at the Vitality Table. It can be really inspiring to hear from our friends their thoughts and vision for this path of faith we walk together. You can sign up for the class, even if you are not sure if you will preach, and we will work out the dates for the class based on those who are interested and their availability.

The Church has a used small organ (Rm. 14) for anyone who would like one. Please let us know if you are interested.

For the latest news and information go to rochesterfbc.org/connections/

