

WORSHIP OF GOD | 17th Sunday After Pentecost | September 24, 2023 First Baptist—Rochester | An American Baptist Church 175 Allens Creek Road, Rochester, New York 14618 Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Evann Hasenauer, student pastor 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 <u>rochesterfbc.org/guest</u>.

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Prelude** Cantabile César Franck

Samuel Baker, organist

Chiming of the Hour

Gathering Music Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring J.S. Bach

Konstantina Gotouhudis, soprano; Emma Unkrich, alto; Andrew Miller, tenor;

Jack O'Leary, bass; Samuel Baker, organist; and Henry Griffin, music director.

Welcome Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon

Call to Worship Psalm 105 Rev. Ivan Marable

(adapted for worship –jgc)

One: Give thanks to the Lord; call upon God's name;

make known God's deeds among the peoples!

All: Sing to the Lord; sing praises to God;

tell of all God's wondrous works!

One: Glory in God's holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

All: Seek the Lord and God's strength;

seek God's presence continually!

One: Remember the wondrous works of our Lord.

All: Let us worship God.

\*Hymn 48 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise W. C. Smith

Welsh Melody

**Hebrew Scriptures** Proverbs 3:1-12 Rev. Ivan Marable

### **Morning Prayer**

Evann Hasenauer

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Lord's Prayer

**Special Music** Child's Evening Hymn from Five Hymns Ernst Bacon Konstantina Gotouhudis, soprano; Emma Unkrich, alto; Andrew Miller, tenor; Jack O'Leary, bass; Samuel Baker, organist; and Henry Griffin, director.

Children's Time Pastor Joanne

\*Hymn 60 I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord Forever Psalm 89

J. H. Fillmore, M.J. Post

Hebrew Scriptures Genesis 50:15-21 Rev. Joanne

Gilbert Cannon

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Sermon Joseph: A Different Kind of Trust 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, send an offering by mail, or give at <a href="mailto:rochesterfbc.org/contribute">rochesterfbc.org/contribute</a>.

Music in Response Trio No. 1 Joseph Rheinberger

Samuel Baker, organist

\*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.

## **Prayer of Dedication**

#### **Invitation to Mission and Ministry**

Worshipers 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 #429

If You But Trust In God To Guide You Georg Neumark

Benediction

Postlude

Kingsfold

Trad. English, arr. John N. Beck

Konstantina Gotouhudis, soprano; Emma Unkrich, alto; Andrew Miller, tenor; Jack O'Leary, bass; and Henry Griffin, piano, director.

Thank you to those participating in today's service including: Rev. Ivan Marable, reader; Bob McDonald usher; Brian Dengler, Todd Haefele, and Janet Richardson, tech team; and our musicians: section leaders: Konstantina Gotouhidis, soprano; Emma Unkrich, alto; Andrew Miller, tenor; and Jack O'Leary, bass; Samuel Baker, organist; and Henry Griffin, piano, music director.

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# Invitation to Mis

**OWLS (Older Wiser Learning Seniors):** Thursday, September 28, we will begin with chair exercise at 11:30 AM; lunch at 12:15 PM; and at 12:30 PM a program. This week Linda Berkley, singer and entertainer, will sing for us. A \$10 donation is appreciated. Please RSVP to Kandee Tabor at (585) 520-6948 or email her at *kandeetabor@gmail.com*.

**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.

Wednesday Book Study begins September 27. Our first book study of this season will be *Speaking of Faith: Why Religion Matters--and How to Talk About It* by Krista Tippett from NPR. Tippett is an intelligent and insightful commentator on religion, ethics, and the human spirit. Drawing on her own life story and her intimate conversations with others, she explores complex subjects like science, love, virtue, and violence within the context of spirituality and everyday life. If you are interested in a book, please sign up on the Vitality Table in the hallway and take one. We will collect the \$13 reimbursement the first night—if no books remain, contact Janet as soon as possible so she can order one for you or you can also obtain your own.

Please sign up today for our Pasta Dinner and Talent Show. This coming Friday evening, September 29, the church family and friends are invited to gather together for an intergenerational fellowship event with the meal beginning at 5:45 PM and available until at least 6:30 PM. 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, poems, 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 today on the Vitality Table or let us know in the church office by noon on Wednesday, September 27, so we know how much food to purchase.

# sion and Ministry

Next Sunday, October 1st, is World Mission Special Offering (WMO). God has made everything beautiful in its time. Ecc. 3:11. God sees everything that is going on in the world—in any given moment of time. In the midst of earthquakes, war, and disease, God's kingdom continues to show signs of budding life. Our Global Servants in the field can attest to that and we can support them and their work through WMO. Please make your check out to First Baptist Church with WMO in the memo line for this 100% pass-through gift collected next Sunday. You can also mail your check into the church office or donate online through the "Give" option.

Join us on Friday Evening, October 20th, at 7:00 PM for *Installation in a New Key: A Musical Welcome* as First Baptist Rochester introduces Pastor 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!

Children's Books needed. The Sunday School room has recently been cleaned, moved, re-organized, and updated. Many of the books in the room were quite old and outdated in look and language. We would love to have books for our reading nook: contemporary or classics; new or lightly used! Thank you for considering this donation for our children.

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 ushers through the end of October. If you want, you can also send an email to the church office.

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.