WORSHIP OF GOD | 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | NOVEMBER 5, 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 Rev. Kenneth McCarthy, worship assistance | 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

Deck yourself, my soul, with gladness Samuel Baker, organ

J. S. Bach

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Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

Gathering Music Quia respexit Konstantina Gotouhidis, soprano; Henry Griffin, piano

Translation:

For He has regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden. Behold, from henceforth, I will be called blessed.

Evann Hasenauer

Rev. Kenneth McCarthy

- One: What does the Lord require of you?
- All: To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.
- One: What does God command of us?
- All: To love God with all our heart, and all our soul, and all our mind, and all our strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves.
- One: God does not call us to ease or to comfort
- All: But to presence, and abundance, and grace in our struggle.
- One: Let us worship the God who believes in us, and trusts in us, and abides with us.
- All: Let us worship the God who will ask much of us, but will be beside us every step of the way.

(written by Eliza Buchakjian-Tweedy, Pastor at First Church Congregational, Rochester, NH)

*Hymn 559 Here I A	n, Lord Daniel L Schutte
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*congregation sings

Call to Worship

Welcome

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Hebrew Scripture	Psalm 139: 1-18	Rev. Kenneth McCarthy			
Morning Prayer		Evann Hasenauer			
Sharing our Joys and Concerns					
Pastoral Prayer					
Lord's Prayer					
Special Music	O Sacred Feast	Healey Willan			
Konstantina Gotouhidis, soprano; Emma Unkrich, alto; Andrew Miller, tenor; Jack O'Leary, bass; and Henry Griffin, director.					
Children's Time		Evann Hasenauer			
*Hymn 617	A Place at the Table	S.E. Murray, J. Marshall			
A Moment of Giving					
Scripture	Jonah 1: 1-18	Evann Hasenauer			
Prayer for Illumination					
Sermon J	onah Runs, Don't We All?	Evann Hasenauer			
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 <u>rochesterfbc.org/contribute</u>.

Prayer of Dedication		Evann Hasenauer
Music in Response	My soul doth magnify the Lord Samuel Baker, organ	Marcel Dupré

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Unison Prayer

God, we give You thanks for this holy communion in which You have given Yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Great Feast	Panis Angelicus (Bread of Angels)	César Franck
Samuel Baker, organ		

If you are able, please come forward to receive communion. First Rochester observes an open communion. All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Benediction

*Parting Hvmn 393

Blest Be the Tie That Binds v.1

arr. L. Mason

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

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Thank you to those who contributed their gifts to today's service including: Rev. Kenneth McCarthy, communion and reader; Bob McDonald, Richard Wien, ushers: Scott and Susen McClellan, Glenn Stahl, and Janet Richardson, tech team; and our musicians: Section Leaders Konstantina Gotouhidis, soprano, solo; Emma Unkrich, alto; Andrew Miller, tenor; Jack O'Leary, bass; Samuel Baker, organ; and Henry Griffin, director.

Invitation to Mission & Ministry

Just one more Sunday! We are currently collecting food for Cameron Community Ministries for Thanksgiving Meals for their clients. Please see the back cover for details about all that you may contribute including gift cards for fresh foods at local grocers.

NEXT SUNDAY: JAZZ AND JEANS! On Sunday November 12, the John Nyerges Quartet and the First Rochester Choir will combine forces to present a Jazz and Jeans service! Music will begin at 9:45 AM in the Sanctuary and we are looking forward to a casual, celebratory service of swingin' jazz, rock, and pop charts! Show up ready for a great time!

Forum with Helen Frank-*Indigenous Peoples' Land Acknowledgements.* During Second Hour on **November 12**, we will gather together after a short fellowship time in the sanctuary to watch a video from Helen Frank on acknowledging ancestral lands of Indigenous People. A discussion will follow.

Wednesday Study—6 PM—Poetry with Rev. Dr. Lauren Ng. On our last session of our Poetry series on Wednesday, November 8 Lauren will continue to enlighten the group on the many facets of poetry. The final session will be *Looking With*. If you would like to participate in this final session, you are welcome. Join us in the chapel at 6 PM or join us on Zoom. Next up, we continue our book *Speaking of Faith*. See information below.

OWLS (Older Wiser Learning Seniors): On Thursday, November 9, we will have JEOPARDY—OWLS version. Chair exercise begins at 11:30 AM with lunch and program at 12:15 PM. A \$10 donation is appreciated. Please RSVP to Kandee Tabor at her email <u>kandeetabor@gmail.com</u> or call or text her at (585) 520-6948.

We did miss those of you who were not able to attend last Tuesday. I'm hoping that all are doing well.

FBCR Book Club: November 28 (the 4th Tuesday after Thanksgiving) at 11:30 AM-1:00 PM. The book for our discussion in November is <u>Southernmost</u> by Silas House. Bring your own lunch if desired.

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Wednesday Book Study: on Speaking of Faith: Why Religion Matters--and How to Talk About It by Krista Tippett, commentator from NPR, is on hold until November 15 when we will discuss Chapter 5 and then following Thanksgiving week break, on November 29 when we will discuss Chapter 6.

Do you love to read? Are you interested in to learn more about faith, various religions, get an opinion from a new author, or read a recent fiction title? Numerous books were dropped off at the church during and after the pandemic. More were donated than our library is able to hold. A few gracious and learned volunteers went through the stacks and stacks and determined those which would fit best into the library's registry. Others—perfectly good and interesting books— are awaiting a new owner. Browse through them and take any you wish. When finished reading, please donate them to your local library or share them with a friend. Happy Reading!

The December sign up sheet is now on the Vitality Table. So that a variety of people may lend their voice in worship, please limit your scripture reading to every other month. We thank you. We are still seeking usher help. If you are willing, please let us know in the church office or on the Vitality Table.

Knitters, crocheters, and anyone who works with yarn. Many skeins were found in the supply closets as they were combined and organized. These were possibly donated over the years, left behind by facility users, or used for previous classroom or VBS projects. If you would like to help yourself to some of this yarn, please do so. We would like to see it used instead of sitting idle in our supplies. You will find it under the Vitality Table.

Green Tip of the Week: The average tool is used 12 minutes in a person's life. For a small annual fee, tool libraries lend lawn equipment, hand tools, saws, and more. Save money, save the energy and resources needed to create more tools, and keep waste out of landfills. Type your city name and 'tool library' into your search engine to find a tool library near you.

For the latest news and events, please go to our website on the *Connections* page at <u>www.rochesterfbc.org/news-and-events/</u>

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

For Cameron Community Ministries Canned and Dry Goods for a Thanksgiving Meal

Canned Yams Canned String Beans Cream of Mushroom Soup Bag of Fried Onions Cranberry Sauce Canned Gravy or Mix Canned Gravy or Mix Canned Corn Canned Peas Canned Creamed Corn Stuffing Mix Instant Mashed Potatoes Cornbread Mix Pie Crust Mix Canned Pie Fillings Canned/Jarred Apples Canned Pumpkin Pumpkin Spice Evaporated Milk Canned Ham Dry Pastas (Macaroni)

** No Fresh Items Please **

Instead, please purchase \$25 gift cards for Fresh Meats, Produce, Dairy, or Bread from Wegmans, Tops, or Aldis.