

The background features a close-up of vibrant pink azalea flowers on the left side. Overlaid on the right side is a large, semi-transparent pink graphic of a flower, which serves as a backdrop for the main text.

Search me, O God, and know my heart!

Psalm 139:23

WORSHIP OF GOD | COMMUNION SUNDAY | JUNE @, 2024

First Rochester | An American Baptist Church

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Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Eliecia Young, pastoral assistant

Henry Griffin, music director | Samuel Baker, organist

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Searching and Leading

Giving our Gifts to God

In response for the gift of God's abundance, we return to God gifts 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/give/.

Prayer of Dedication

Music For Response

If you will trust in God to Guide you
Samuel Baker, organ

Marcel Dupré

Communion

Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon
Eliecia Young, pastoral assistant

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Unison Prayer

**O God investigate our lives, that we will be found faithful.
Open our hearts, that we will be found graceful,
Open our eyes and our ears, that we will see and listen carefully.
Bless the bread and the cup, that we will remember with
gladness Your salvation. Amen.**

The Great Feast

Please come forward to receive, if able

First Rochester observes an open communion where everyone is welcome.

Benediction

*Parting Hymn 740

The Lord's Prayer
Samuel Baker, organ

arr. D. P. Hustad
Matthew 6:9-13

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen. Amen.*

**congregation sings,
please stand if able*

INVITATION TO MISSION & MINISTRY

Thank you to those who contributed their gifts to today's service including: Richard Wien and Mark Harnischfeger ushers; Jean Garling, fellowship time; our tech team: Oliver Hood, Scott and Susen McClellan, Glenn Stahl, and Janet Richardson; and our musicians, Oliver Hood, cello; Doleen Hood, piano, and Samuel Baker, organ.

Thanks for joining us today! We'd love to get to know you, so please fill out a **Connection Card** found in the pews and place it with the offering. One of the pastors will reach out soon and treat you to a cup of coffee!

Today following worship there will be a Second Hour Forum presentation in the Chapel on *How and Why we are a Welcoming and Affirming Church*, led by Evann Hasenauer.

June is when we collect the ABC-USA special offering called **One Great Hour of Sharing**. It supports disaster relief, ministries to displaced persons, and development projects around the world. This year's theme is *Sharing the Light: You're here to be the light, bring out the God-colors in the world*. Matthew 5:14 (MSG). Look for more information in the coming weeks.

Our formal second hour and Wednesday study schedule has concluded for the summer. However, there will be lots of great ways to stay connected throughout the summer. Make sure to read your bulletin and sign up for email blasts so you don't miss any of these special summer opportunities! Also, our **Wednesday Check-in** is available for anyone who wishes to get onto Zoom and visit at **5:30 PM** Wednesdays.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the hygiene drive for the BCSD. We were able to gift to them 250 items or boxes/packets of items. They were excited and grateful to receive these donations.

OWLS (Older Wiser Learned Seniors): On **Thursday, June 6**, the topic will be *Aches & Pains of Aging: How much is normal? How much should we tolerate?* with **Dr. Nowak**. Chair exercise begins at 11:30 AM with lunch and program at 12:15 PM. Program offset donations are appreciated. Please RSVP to Kandee Tabor at kandeetabor@gmail.com or call or text her at (585) 520-6948.

*****NEXT SUNDAY — June 9 — Children's Service and All-Church Picnic** (indoor/outdoor). The meal will be provided by the church with pulled pork, chicken, and several sides. We ask for a few people to bring fruit sides or desserts to share. Donations toward the cost will be accepted but not required. Just let us know you plan to attend on the **SIGN-UP** in the Garden Room so we order enough food for everyone. ***

OWLS Excursion, Wild Wings Bird of Prey Refuge, Tuesday, June 18. Join us for a 1-hour tour; a noon picnic; and a bus ride through Mendon Ponds Park;. Suggested donation \$20. Contact Kandee soon to RSVP at kandeetabor@gmail.com.

FBCR Book Club for Wednesday June 26, is discussing *The Housekeeper and the Professor* by Yoko Ogawa. Anyone interested is welcome. We will gather at 11:30 AM for fellowship with discussion by noon. You may bring a lunch - a beverage will be provided.