



It may be that the gulfs
will wash us down;
It may be we shall touch
the Happy Isles,
And though we are not
now that strength
which in all days
Moved earth and heaven,
that which we are, we are,
Made weak by time and fate,
but strong in will
To strive, to seek, to find,
and not to yield.

From Ulysses, by Alfred, Lord Tennyson
Submitted by Samuel Baker

WORSHIP OF GOD | AUGUST 11, 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

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Feel free to use any gender-neutral language in hymns or responses.

Prelude

On Eagle's Wings

arr. C. Callahan

based on the poetry of Michael Joncas
Samuel Baker, organ

Chiming of the Hour

Music for Gathering

Summertime

Gershwin

Janelle Cannon, soprano; Samuel Baker, piano

Welcome

Today is the Day

by Brian Shivers, Pastor,

submitted by Rev. Peg Nowling Williams

Northminster

Presbyterian Indy

Call to Worship

led by Jean Garling

A poem excerpt of Matrins, by John O Donahue, *To Bless the Space Between Us*, p. 7, 8; Convergenct, c. 2008

One: I arise today.

In the name of Silence, womb of the Word,

All: In the name of Stillness, home of belonging

One: In the name of Solitude of the Soul and the Earth.

**All: I arise today. Blessed by all things,
Wings of breath, Delight of Eyes,**

One: Wonder of Whisper, intimacy of touch, eternity of soul.

All: Urgency of thought, Miracle of health, embrace of God.

One: May we live this day,
Compassionate of heart.

**All: Clear in word,
Gracious in awareness,
Courageous in thought, generous in love.**

*Hymn 4

Bless His Holy Name

Andraé Crouch

A Poem From Scripture

Proverbs 3:1-8

led by Jean Garling

One: But child, do not forget my teaching,
but keep my commands in your heart,

**All: For they will prolong your life many years
And bring you prosperity.**

**congregation sings, please stand if able*

One: Let love and faithfulness never leave you;
Bind them around your neck,
write them on the tablet of your heart.

**All: Then you will win favor and a good name
in the sight of God and man.**

One: Trust in the Lord with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding.

**All: In all your ways acknowledge God,
and God will make your paths straight.**

One: Do not be wise in your own eyes,
fear the Lord and shun evil.

**All: For this will bring health to your body
and nourishment to your bones.**

Special Music

Weyla's Song

Hugo Wolf

You are Orplid, my land!
That shines afar;
Your sunlit shore sends up sea—
Mist, that moistens the cheeks of the gods.
Ancient waters climb,
Rejuvenated, child, about your waist!
Kings, who attend you,
Bow down before your divinity.

—from a poem by Eduard Mörike (sung in German)

Emma Unkrich, mezzo soprano; Samuel Baker, piano

Morning Prayer

On Beginning Lament

Psalms

submitted by Rev. Ken McCarthy

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer

Poem

Trees

by Joyce Kilmer

submitted by Judy Wien

Children's Time

Eletelephony

by Laurie E. Richards

Submitted by Samuel Baker/Children of First Rochester

***Hymn 126**

Thou Art Worthy

Pauline Michael Mills

Poem	<i>Mending Wall</i> read and submitted by Jean Garling	by Robert Frost
Hymn 143	<i>Father, I Adore You</i>	Clarkson/Doane
Poem	<i>The Road Not Taken</i> submitted by Dick Wien and Eliecia Young	by Robert Frost
Hymn 151	<i>Holy is the Lord</i>	Isaiah 6:3/Schubert
Poem	<i>I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud</i> submitted by Janet Richardson	by William Wordsworth
Giving our Gifts to God and Dedication		
Music For Response	<i>Into the Holy Temple</i> (from the opera <i>The Pearl Fishers</i> ; based on poetry by Cormon/Carré) Samuel Baker, organ	Georges Bizet
*Doxology 11	<i>Stand Up and Bless the Lord</i> 1, 3 & 4	Montgomery/Williams' <i>New Universal Psalmodist</i>
Poem	<i>From Gitanjali—Song of Offerings</i> submitted by Kim Labinger	by Rabindranath Tagore
Invitation to Mission and Ministry		
Poem	<i>Wild Geese</i> submitted by Pat Hanley	by Mary Oliver
*Closing Hymn 438	<i>On Eagle's Wings</i>	Michael Joncas
Benediction	<i>Continue</i> submitted by Rev. Kenneth Williams	by Maya Angelou
Postlude	<i>Psalm XX</i>	Bendetto Marcello
<p>May the Lord answer you when you are in distress; May the name of the God of Jacob protect you.</p>		

INVITATION TO MISSION & MINISTRY

Thank you to others who contributed their gifts to today's service including usher: Richard Wien; fellowship time: Ron and Dara Lewis; our tech team: Susen and Scott McClellan, Glenn Stahl, and Janet Richardson; and our musicians: Janelle Cannon, soprano; Emma Unkrich, mezzo-soprano, and Samuel Baker, keyboards.

We're so glad you joined us! We welcome you to First Rochester, regardless of race, class, gender, physical challenge, place of origin, or sexual orientation.

If you're new with us, please fill out the **connection card**, found in your pew and drop it with the offering. We look forward to getting to know you better!

Service Opportunity, Wednesday August 14 between 10AM and 2PM: Join Pastor Joanne and Eliecia as they gather with invited facility group participants to begin to clean the southwest corner of our parking lot near the clothing shed for a small welcoming parklet and labyrinth. Bring your gloves.

Zoom Connect on Wednesday Evenings. Available for anyone who wishes to get onto Zoom and visit at **5:30 PM** Wednesdays.

OWLS Program for Thursday, August 15, Tales & Photos from Scotland with Dr. Don Schwab . Chair exercise 11:30 AM. Lunch and program at 12:15 PM. Donations welcomed. Please RSVP kandeetabor@gmail.com.

FBCR Book Club, Tuesday, August 27 *Still Life with Bread Crumbs* by Anna Quindlen. All are welcome. Gathering and lunch: 11:30 AM. Bring your own lunch, beverage provided.

Save the Date: September 15. There will be a **COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE** immediately following worship with an churchwide **POTLUCK** following it.

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