



LET LOVE BE GENUINE,
HATE WHAT IS EVIL,
HOLD FAST TO

What is good.

Romans 12:9

WORSHIP OF GOD | SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

First Rochester | An American Baptist Church

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Henry Griffin, music director | Samuel Baker, organist

Hymn 587

Make Me A Channel of Your Peace

S. Temple

Scripture

Romans 12

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

The Problem with Perfectionism

Rev. Joanne
Gilbert-Cannon

Giving our Gifts to God & Dedication

**Music For
Response**

Now Thank We All Our God
Samuel Baker, organ

arr. P. Manz

Doxology 359

Give Thanks
(No repeats, 2 ending)

H. Smith

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy one,
Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ, The Son.
And now let the weak say "I am strong"; let the poor say "I am rich"
Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give Thanks.**

Invitation to Mission and Ministry

***Closing Hymn 471**

As a Deer

M. Nystrom

Benediction

Postlude

Carillon Sortie
Samuel Baker, organ

A. Claussmann

Thank you to others who contributed their gifts to today's service
including reader: Marica McCarthy; ushers: Mike Ryan and Ken Hines; fellowship:
Flora Holt and Jean Garling; our tech team: Oliver Hood, Janet Richardson, and
Glenn Stahl, and our musicians: Naomi Chad, soprano; Christine Kelly, soprano;
Emma Unkrich, mezzo-soprano; Joshua Gleason, tenor; Ashton Rapp, baritone;
and Samuel Baker, organ; Henry Griffin, piano, and director.

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!

ABC World Mission Offering 2024. In September we will continue to share information about various Global Servants providing education, ministry, and hope all over the world. Please see the insert for this week's message. We will collect your gifts, using the envelopes found in the pews, toward this ABC-USA International Ministries' pass-through offering opportunity.

FBCR Book Club, Tuesday, September 24: *Pachinko*, an epic historical fiction novel following a Korean family who immigrates to Japan by Min Jin Lee. All are welcome. Gathering at 11:30 AM; discussion at noon. Bring your own lunch.

The Last Wednesday Night Conversation is this week. We will be looking at the Mission and Vision Statements together, and we want to hear your voice! Join us Wednesday, September 25 with a brown bag dinner at 5:30 pm, or come for the conversation at 6 pm. Remember, there is no longer a Wednesday night Zoom option.

OWLS Program on Thursday, September 26: *Steps to Get Home Health Care* with Megan Shergill of Community Care Home Health Service. Megan will explain the steps to obtain in-home care which are not like what appears in TV ads. Chair exercise 11:30 AM. Lunch and program at 12:15 PM. Donations welcomed. Please RSVP kandeetabor@gmail.com.

Forum, Sunday, September 29, Second Hour: Executive Minister Rev. Dr. Sandra Hasenauer will share with us information about the Rochester Genesee Region of the American Baptist Church.

Taizé Services begin on Wednesday, October 2. Each Wednesday evening at 6:00 PM, we will hold a Taizé-style service in the chapel. There will be readings, repetitive songs from the Taizé Community in France, silence, prayer, and mediation. This service enhances a deeper connection with God in a contemplative way. Please come and experience this unique worship opportunity.

Section Leader Sunday, October 6. During worship, this year's section leaders will provide solo music as an introduction to their voices with an opportunity to meet them in fellowship time after worship.

October 6, Sunday Forum after Fellowship is a brainstorming session, "How do we want to be known in our community?" Everyone is invited.

Reader or Usher sign-up is available at the table in the Garden Room. If you are available and would like to read or usher on an upcoming Sunday, please sign up for one of the available weeks.