

## WORSHIP OF GOD | COMMUNION SUNDAY | OCTOBER 6, 2024 SECTION LEADER SUNDAY

First Rochester | An American Baptist Church
175 Allens Creek Road | Rochester, New York 14618 | rochesterfbc.org
Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Eliecia Young, pastoral assistant
Henry Griffin, music director | Samuel Baker, organist

## WORSHIP OF GOD

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

Prelude

Strengthen for service, Lord the hands that Holy Things have taken Samuel Baker, organ Leo Sowerby

Chiming of the Hour

**Section Leader Solo** 

Gott im Frühlinge

Franz Schubert

Naomi Chad, soprano; Henry Griffin, piano

Welcome

(Children excused)

Eliecia Young

Call to Worship

Psalm 8

Seth and Sarah Oaks

adapted for Worship (jgc)

One:

God, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

ALL:

You have set your glory in the heavens.

One:

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

ALL:

what is humankind that you are mindful of us human beings that you care for us?

One:

You have made us a little lower than the angels and crowned us with glory and honor.

ALL:

You made us rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under our feet:

One:

all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild, the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

ALL:

O Dear Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! We worship you.

Section Leader Solo

Quia fecit mihi magna

J. S. Bach

from Magnificat, BWV 243

Ashton Rapp, baritone; Henry Griffin, piano

**Morning Prayer** 

**Sharing our Joys and Concerns** 

\*Hymn 17 Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him Psalm 148/Haydn

Scripture John 11:1-44 Sarah Oaks & Pastor Joanne

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Sermon Expectations Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon

Invitation to Mission and Ministry Eliecia Young

Giving our Gifts to God & Dedication

Section LeaderYou Raise Me UpRolf Lovland,Solo ResponseJoshua Gleason, tenor;Brendan Graham

Henry Griffin, piano

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon Eliecia Young

**Words of Institution** 

**Unison Lord's Prayer** 

The Great Feast We observe an open communion.

All are welcome to the table.

**Benediction** 

\*Parting Hymn 734 Glory Be to the Father Gloria Parti/ Samuel Baker, organ Greatorex

Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.

Thank you to others who contributed their gifts to today: including readers: Seth and Sarah Oaks; ushers: Ken Hines and Mike Ryan; fellowship: Carol Stahl, hostess with Judy Oaks, preparer; our teachers: Melina Mineti, Dara Lewis, Judy Wien, Richard Wien, and Betsy Vipperman, our tech team: Scott and Susen McClellan, Glenn Stahl, and Janet Richardson; and our musicians: Naomi Chad, soprano; Emma Unkrich, mezzo-soprano; Joshua Gleason, tenor; Ashton Rapp, baritone; and Samuel Baker, organ; Henry Griffin, piano, and director.

## INVITIATION TO MISSION AND MINISTRY

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!

**Today is Section Leader Sunday.** 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 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.

Taizé Services, Wednesdays—October through December: On Wednesday evenings 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.

**OWLS Program on Thursday, October 10** will a Bus Trip for a *Wayne County Apple Tasting* with lunch at Pultneyville Deli. Meet at church about **10:45 AM.** Bus departs at 11:00 AM. Bus returns around 2:30 PM.

Join us on at Long Acre Farm on Sunday, October 13, after the second hour. Buy your tickets online or at the gate! Talk with Eliecia, pastoral assistant, if you have any questions.

**Sleep In Heavenly Peace Bed Build-October 19 from 1-3 PM** is at Lowe's in Macedon. Anyone 11 and over can participate with an adult. Please let Sarah Oaks know if you have any questions or would like to sign up. If you cannot participate but want to donate bedding, that is an option. More details will be coming soon.

Super Choral Sunday, October 20 will feature the First Rochester Choir with our Section Leaders and our Children's Choir followed by a potluck lunch.

**FBCR Book Club, Tuesday, October 22:** <u>The Little Liar</u>, by Mitch Albom, is a powerful novel of hope and forgiveness. The story moves from a Greek city during World War II to America in the golden age of Hollywood. It explores themes of honesty, survival, revenge, devotion, and how love can redeem. All are welcome. Gathering at 11:30 AM; discussion at noon. Bring your own lunch.

Jazz 'N Jeans Sunday, October 27 with the John Nyerges Band.

We need Readers and Ushers in November. A sign-up sheet is available at the table in the Garden Room.

Handbell Choir is seeking ringers. Beginning on Wednesday October 30 at 7:15 PM, join us on four Wednesday evenings as we practice music that will be played during worship on November 24. See Henry if you have any questions.

**Free COVID test kits are available:** You can now place your order for free COVID test kits to be mailed directly to your home through *covidtests.gov*.

## **Our Section Leaders**

Naomi Chad, soprano, is a second-year undergraduate student at the Eastman School of Music majoring in Vocal Performance. She is also pursuing a Business degree at the University of Rochester and carries a love of learning with her through all her studies. She was born and raised in Tomball, Texas, living there until she graduated High School in 2023. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her friends and finds herself becoming more and more proficient at Mario Kart. She is an avid lover of theatrical arts and had many theatre roles in High School in plays like *Steel Magnolias (M'Lynn) and Clue (Wadsworth)*.

Emma Unkrich, alto, is delighted to return to FBCR as a choral section leader. A graduate of the Eastman School of Music with a degree in Voice, Emma's musical journey began in the world of Suzuki Strings and youth theater camps, eventually blossoming into classical studies, domestic and abroad. She is grateful to collaborate with such talented and inspiring colleagues as well as the opportunity to share her musicianship with the congregation!

**Joshua Gleason, tenor,** is a third-year industrial design student at RIT and also is minoring in theater design and stage craft. You can find him performing with local theaters such as OFC creations, Blackfriars Theatre, Rochester, Community Players, and others. He would love to thank Henry for this opportunity and is so lucky that they bumped into each other while doing First Inversion choir last year.

Ashton Rapp is a baritone from Lawrence, KS and is currently a Junior at the Eastman School of Music studying vocal performance. Some of his biggest accomplishments include singing in the world premiere of Kevin Walzyck's Symphony No. 5 - Freedom From Fear as a boy soprano in 2018 at The Kennedy Center, and singing at both Carnegie Hall in New York City and the Musikverein in Vienna with the Honors Performance Series choirs. Ashton loves playing board games, watching movies, and going on unplanned adventures.