



The
SPIRIT of the
LORD

is upon me

WORSHIP OF GOD | JANUARY 26, 2025

First Rochester | An American Baptist Church

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Henry Griffin, music director | Samuel Baker, organist

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

Prelude

Aria
Samuel Baker, organ

Flor Peeters

Chiming of the Hour

Music for Gathering

Henry Griffin, piano

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 19 (adapted for worship, jgc)

Kandee Tabor

One: The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they reveal knowledge.

**All: It is like when a bridegroom comes out of their chamber,
like a champion rejoicing to run his course.**

One: God's glory rises at one end of the heavens
and makes its circuit to the other;
nothing is deprived of its warmth.

**All: The law of the Lord is perfect,
refreshing the soul.
The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy,
making the simple wise.**

One: The precepts of the Lord are right,
giving joy to the heart.
The commands of the Lord are radiant,
giving light to the eyes.

**All: The fear of the Lord is pure,
enduring forever.
The decrees of the Lord are firm,
and all of them are righteous.**

One: God's ways are more precious than pure gold,
they are sweeter than honey,
from the honeycomb.

**All By them your servant is warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.
But who can discern their own errors?
Forgive my hidden faults.**

One: Keep us your servants also from willful sins;
may they not rule over us.
So we will be blameless,
innocent of great transgression.

**All: May these words of our mouths and all the meditations of our hearts
be pleasing in your sight, Lord, our Rock and our Redeemer.**

***Hymn 544** *The Church's One Foundation* Stone/Wesley

Scriptures *I Corinthians 12:12-31a* Kandee Tabor

Morning Prayer Eliecia Young

Sharing our joys and concerns

Unison Lord's Prayer

Special Music *The Lord is Good to All* Oliver Holden ed.
from The American Harmony (1792) Don McAfee (ASCAP)

Naomi Chad, soprano; Emma Unkrich, mezzo; Joshua Gleason, tenor;
Ashton Rapp, baritone; Samuel Baker, piano, Henry Griffin, director

Children's Time Pastor Joanne

***Hymn 471** *As the Deer* Nystrom

Scripture *Luke 4:14-21*

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon *Christ's Sending* Rev. Joanne
Gilbert-Cannon

Giving our Gifts and Dedication

Music for *The Church's One Foundation* C. Callahan
Response Samuel Baker, organ

Doxology *We Give Thee But Thine Own* *Cantica Laudis*

**We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be.
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

Invitation to Mission and Ministry

***Closing Hymn 712** *Sent Forth By God's Blessing* Welsh FolkTune
Westerdorf

Benediction

Postlude *Psalm 19* B. Marcello
Samuel Baker, organ

INVITATION TO MISSION AND MINISTRY

Thank you to those who contributed their gifts today: including reader: Kandee Tabor; ushers: Mark Harnischfeger and Ken Hines; fellowship: Pastor Joanne; our nursery: Melina Mineti, Tasha Wilson; our teachers: Judy Oaks, Elyssa Barszewski; our tech team: Oliver Hood, Scott and Susen McClellan, Glenn Stahl, and Janet Richardson; and our musicians: Naomi Chad, soprano; Emma Unkrich, mezzo; Joshua Gleason, tenor; Ashton Rapp, baritone; Samuel Baker, organ and piano, Henry Griffin, piano, 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!

Congregational Annual Meeting of the First Baptist Church and Society will be held **today** following worship. The items we will vote on include: our 2025 Budget, recently updated Bylaws, and the Board of Trustees nominees, Scott McClellan, second 3-year term, and Ken Hines, first 3-year term. Other officers and chairpersons, who will sit on the Church Council, will also be voted upon.

We welcome the youth group to either join the adults to see how the church runs their business meetings or they're welcome to join into Children's Music time in the choir room. Youth Group will meet next on February 9.

For two Sundays, January 26 and February 2, we will celebrate those who have celebrated the wonderous works of Christ, in worship, in service, in mission. Together, we remember them through your gifts to the pass-through **Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering (RMMO)**. Please use the envelopes in the pews or if by chek, place RMMO in the memo line.

Book Study Wednesday evenings in January and February: Join us as we read and discuss Executive Director of the Baptist Joint Committee, Amanda Tyler's book, *How to End Christian Nationalism*. Our next Wednesday discussion will be January 29 from 6:30 – 7:30 PM on Zoom.

We will have an **AED training this Wednesday, January 29 at 10 AM** with Chris Oaks. If you are interested in joining us, please let us know by emailing us at office@rochesterfbc.org.

OWLS (Older Wiser Learning Seniors) Thursday program January 30: *Mailman, Bring me no more blues;* a sing-along and history lesson with Sarah and Sasha Yaworsky. Chair exercise at 11:30 AM. Lunch and program at 12:15 PM. Donations welcomed. Please RSVP kandeetabor@gmail.com.

FBCR Book Club will meet on February 18 at 11:30 AM and will discuss *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver. It is a story about a boy, who grows up in Appalachia and faces many challenges; it explores themes of family, friendship, addiction, and resilience.

On Sunday, February 2 join us after worship as we welcome Dr. Angela Sims, president of Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, for a forum where she will share her background and current life experiences.