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WORSHIP OF GOD | JULY 19, 2026

First Rochester | An American Baptist Church

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**Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Rev. Katie Jo Suddaby, assistant pastor, preaching
Carl Galland, music director | Samuel Baker, organist**

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Prelude	<i>Largo</i> (<u>Concerto in D Minor</u>) <i>The Peace</i> (<u>Firework Music</u>)	Antonio Vivaldi G. F. Händel
Chiming of the Hour		
For Meditation	<i>Let both of them grow together.</i>	
Music For Meditation	<i>La Cinquantaine</i> Katie Worley, violin; Carl Galland, piano	Jean Gabriel - Marie
Welcome and Invocation		Pat Hanley
Invitation To Worship		
One:	We come before God with fields that are not perfect.	
All:	Still, God is growing something among us.	
One:	We come carrying questions, contradictions, and unfinished lives.	
All:	Still, God is growing something among us.	
One:	We are tempted to judge quickly, to sort and separate, to decide who belongs.	
All:	But God calls us to patience, humility, and grace.	
One:	So come, all who are growing. Come, all who are struggling. Come, all who are still becoming.	
All:	We come to worship the God who sees the whole field. Let us worship God.	
*Hymn	<i>Hymn of Promise</i>	#515
Scripture	<i>Psalms 86:11-17</i>	Pat Hanley
Morning Prayer: Sharing our Joys and Concerns with the Lord's Prayer in unison		
Special Music	<i>Melodie</i> Katie Worley, violin; Carl Galland, piano	C. Gluck / F. Kreisler
Children's Time		Pastor Katie Jo
*Hymn	<i>Help Us to Accept Each Other</i>	#596

Scripture and Prayer

Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43

Sermon

In the Weeds

Rev. Katie Jo Suddaby

Giving our Gifts to God and Dedication

Music for Response

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

arr. Rosalie Bonighton

*Doxology

We Give Thee But Thine Own

#688

***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

There's a Spirit in the Air
v. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6

#133

Benediction

Postlude

Toccata

G. B. Nivens

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 in the offering plate. We look forward to getting to know you better!*

*If you have a **prayer request** you may make it at a microphone during our Morning Prayer time or you may complete the reverse side of the connection card and drop it into the collection plate. It will be shared with those indicated, and if requested, sent out to our email prayer group. If you want to receive the prayers by email, please sign up in the garden room or contact the church office.*

*The best way to grow our church is for you to invite family, friends, or neighbors to join us in worship. To help you, we have created **invite** cards, found in the Narthex or Garden Room. Please take some and share. Thank you.*

INVITATION TO MISSION AND MINISTRY

TODAY:

- Our children will be released for a time of fun and fellowship following the Children's Time this week.
- Thank you to the many volunteers who make Sunday worship and programs work.
- A special thank you to Katie Worley for playing the violin in worship today.
- Join us in the Garden Room, next to the sanctuary, for Fellowship Time with light treats after worship.
- This afternoon the Pride Service will be held at Lake Avenue Baptist Church at 3 PM.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- OWLS (Older Wiser Learning Seniors) **will meet on Thursday, July 23**, led by Doris Adamek on *Carol Burnett, Her Life Story*. Chair exercise is at 11:30 AM, with lunch and program at 12:15 PM. Donations welcomed. Please RSVP to kandeetabor@gmail.com.
- July Book Club will be held on Tuesday, July 28 when we will discuss *Table for Two* by Amor Towles. Fellowship begins at 11:30 AM with discussion at 12:00 noon.
- The office remains closed on Mondays for the summer until after Labor Day. Appointments may be arranged with specific staff members depending on their availability.
- There will be a baptism at the church on August 9, before worship begins. We hope you will come and share in this joyous event.

FOR THE SUMMER AND PREPARING FOR THE FALL:

- Carl Galland, our music director, is seeking youth and adult instrumentalists to play in a chamber ensemble in a Sunday Service later this summer or in the fall. If you play an instrument, please get in touch with him on a Sunday or at carl@rochesterfbc.org.
- **Do you have an idea or topic** for a Wednesday Study or an Adult Sunday Forum for the next program year? Planning is underway, so please send your ideas by August 10th to Pastor Katie Jo at katiejo@rochesterfbc.org.

GIVING:

- Summer Giving to **Cameron's Diaper Ministry**. We will collect diapers, pull-ups, and wipes needed for clients at Cameron Community during the summer. Larger sizes are especially needed. If you feel called to give in this way, please place your gift on the white **Giving Table** located by the glass partition in the narthex or place "Diapers" in the memo line of your check made out to First Baptist Church.
- On the 1st Sunday of the month, we collect jars of jelly and canned pasta for the **Center for Youth's Food Nook**. Since July of 2025, we have donated 758 items. This food is shared with teens in need and at risk.

SIGN-UPS IN THE GARDEN ROOM:

- Sign-ups are available in the Garden Room for **Readers**, Ushers, or Fellowship, and Information from the church. Please sign up.

MEETINGS:

- Mission Meeting has been postponed for today. An email will be sent for a rescheduled meeting date & time.
- Trustees Meeting is held on the 3rd Monday of the month. Tomorrow's meeting is on campus at 6 PM.
- Council Meeting is held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Tuesday's meeting is on Zoom at 6 PM.