

May the God of
HOPE fill you with all
JOY & PEACE
as you trust in him,
so that you may
OVERFLOW
with hope by
the power of
the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13, NIV



ORDER OF WORSHIP | SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

First Rochester | An American Baptist Church | www.rochesterfbc.org

Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Rev. Katie Jo Suddaby, assistant pastor

Carl Galland, music director | Samuel Baker, organist

Naomi Chad, soprano; Paige Robinson, alto; Jonathan Ellwanger, tenor; Kit Chan, bass

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

Prelude *Daydreams* Wm. Grant Still

Chiming of the Hour

For Meditation

Romans 12:12 ~ *Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.*

Music for Meditation *Incline Thine Ear to Me* P. H. Himmel

Welcome and Invocation Carol Misra

Invitation To Worship

One: We are so glad you wandered into this sacred and holy space this morning.

**All: After all our coming and going, we can rest here together for a little while
In the wonder of the eternal.**

One: There is time here to breathe, to gaze at the stained glass cross together.

All: Were we meant to be rushing everywhere?

One Or can we really hear God's whisper, "Be Still and Know that I am God."

All: It is good and necessary to pause, to trust, to hope, to heal.

One: We wait on the Lord, even as we worship with songs and prayers and praise.

*Hymn *How Firm A Foundation* #411

Scripture *Psalms 42* Carol Misra

Morning Prayer: Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon
Sharing our Joys and Concerns with Unison Lord's Prayer

Special Music *Be Thou My Vision* Traditional Irish Melody
arr. Pruette Plemens

Children's Time Pastor Joanne

*Hymn *As Water to the Thirsty* #432

Scripture and Prayer *Romans 15:1-13*

Sermon

Beginning again with hope

Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon

Giving our Gifts to God and Dedication

Music for Response

What Wondrous Love Is This?

arr. David Dahl

*Doxology

Give Thanks

***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 Music

The Trees of the Field

#710

Benediction

Postlude

Grand Chorus (12 Pièces)

Théodore Dubois

INVITATION 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 in the offering plate. You may also make a prayer request on the reverse side. We look forward to getting to know you better and praying with you.

TODAY:

- Our Children's and Adult Choir programs resume today. If you missed the Adult Choir this week, please join us next week as, all voice types are needed. We meet at 9:15 AM in the Choir Room before Sunday Service except for Sundays we sing in worship when we will meet in the sanctuary.
- Our children will depart for Sunday School following Children's Time. Following a brief time of fellowship, our children will gather in the Choir Room for Children's Choir (11:15 AM to 12 PM).
- Thank you to the many volunteers who make Sunday worship and programs work.
- Join us in the Garden Room, adjacent to the sanctuary, for Fellowship with treats after worship.
- Anyone who wishes to help pack Hygiene Kits and Snack Kits for Cameron Community's Street Ministry is asked to join us in the Chapel following a time of Fellowship in the Garden Room. We hope to pack nearly 300 of each kit.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- OWLS (Older Wiser Learning Seniors) for September 17, will be *Music by the Decade: pick your decade then prove it with a quiz*. Chair exercise at 11:30 AM with lunch and program beginning at 12:15 PM. Please RSVP to kandeetabor@gmail.com.
- For an informative and interesting start to our Wednesday Studies, we begin on September 16, at 6:00 PM, in the Chapel with a 3-part session on Brené Brown's *The Call to Courage* documentary. After viewing the documentary, we will have group discussions on the ideas presented on courage, bravery, vulnerability as strength, and taking emotional risks.
- Join us on Sundays, September 20 and 27 during Second Hour when Heritage Munyakuri will join us for Sunday Forum sharing his life in Congo, refugee camps, immigration, and the current experience of immigrants in the U.S.
- FBCR Book Club for September will be held on the 5th Tuesday, September 29. This month will be a double feature with *Theo of Golden* by Allan Levi and *Broken Country* by Clare Leslie Hall. Join us at 11:30 AM with a bring your own lunch and fellowship then our book discussions will begin at noon. We welcome new people any month. See you then!

PREPARING FOR THIS FALL:

- Youth and adult instrumentalists are invited to play in an ensemble on Sunday, November 22 at our Thanksgiving Service. Talk to Carl on Sunday or email him at carl@rochesterfbc.org, if you are interested in joining this ensemble.
- 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 to Pastor Joanne at joanne@rochesterfbc.org, while Pastor Katie Jo is away.

GIVING:

- TODAY! Join us after fellowship for Street Ministry Hygiene and Snack Kit packing in the Chapel.
- On Communion Sundays, the first Sunday of the month, we accept items of canned pasta and jellies for the Center for Youth's Food Nook. Since July of 2025, we have donated 832 items. The Center for Youth shares this food with teens in need and at risk.

SIGN-UPS IN THE GARDEN ROOM:

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- Mission Meeting: 3rd Sunday of the month following a brief fellowship in the library.
- Trustees: 3rd Monday of the month, 6 PM on Zoom.
- Council: 3rd Tuesday of the month, 6 PM on Zoom.
- Combined Council and Trustees meeting in October. More details to follow.