

The First Baptist Church at Worship
Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
July 19, 2020

THE PRELUDE

Gregory Land, Organist

Children of the Heavenly Father Lina Sandell

In Praise to the Lord

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

A three-fold ringing of three signifies the presence of the triune God:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

William Henry Caldwell

OPENING HYMN (See pg. 4)

#281 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*
BEECHER

On April 29, 2011, millions of people around the world turned on their televisions to watch one of the most anticipated spectacles of the year: the wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton. The ceremony featured a number of hymns, one of which was “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,” a hymn that is both appropriate and seemingly paradoxical for a wedding. This ceremony was so celebrated because it represented the “dream” for romance - a prince finding his princess, true loves coming together, and a couple rising above the odds to be together. This, we argue so easily, is love. And yet this hymn reorients us to see that this beautiful wedding and marriage is only, and can only ever be, a reflection of the Love above all loves. We are only able to love one another because Christ first loved us. God is love, and we are the mirrors and bearers of that love to each other. Let us pray that we would continually be filled with Love, that we might bless each other, and become more and more like He who loves us.

Listening for the Word of God

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON

Rev. David Coggins

Romans 8:12-25: So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh -- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ--if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were

saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Coggins

CALL TO PRAYER (See pg. 5)

#389 *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*
CHILDREN PRAYING

**Lord, listen to Your children praying,
Lord, send Your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to Your children praying;
send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER (Debts/Debtors)

Rev. Coggins

SPECIAL MUSIC

William Henry Caldwell, baritone

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian arr. William Henry Caldwell

*Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart
In my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.*

THE SERMON

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

"Glorious Children of God"

Responding to God

HYMN OF RESPONSE (See pg. 6)

#626 *Nothing But the Blood*
PLAINFIELD

Nothing But the Blood of Jesus is a traditional American hymn about the blood atonement and propitiation for sin by the death of Jesus as explained in Hebrews 9. The song was composed by Robert Lowry, a hymn writer who was a Baptist minister and professor at Bucknell University.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

POSTLUDE

Gregory Land

Work, for the Night Is Coming Lowell Mason
setting by Seth Bingham



Please Note!

First Baptist Church of Dayton continues its suspension of worship services. While we had hoped to restart live worship, new circumstances suggested that postponing would be prudent, and out of an abundance of caution we have postponed. This week we are again providing a pre-recorded worship service available on our website, and a live Zoom gathering on Sunday morning at 11:00 AM. We hope to return to live, socially distanced worship when the time is right, which hopefully will mean a reduction of active coronavirus cases in our area and the absence of exposure to active cases by anyone who is an active participant in our services. Continue to monitor your email or our Facebook group for news about the possible resumption of services. And please continue to reach out to one another by phone, social media, and especially through prayer and service in whatever ways you can. --Pastor Kent

You are welcome to share photos of your family for inclusion in the Courier newsletter. Please send to lindablair@fbcd Dayton.org along with a brief description of your photo. Thank you.

Prayer for the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials and temptations, give them courage to face the perils which beset them, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

(If you have someone you'd like to add or remove, please let us know.)

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| Sharon Appelt | Ken Gordon | Judy See |
| Kenneth Barger | Bev Harrell | Judy Smith |
| Rebecca Bauer | Linda Haskin | Helen Sutton |
| Marlen Berghuis | Barbara Jett | Emily Taylor |
| Jessica Blair | Judy Kelly | Torrey Thrash |
| Don Brown | Lenore Kimbrough | Ginger Tiffner |
| Jessica Brown | Anna Frances Lasley | Anne Veghte |
| Robert Brown | Vincent Liss | Sara Vice |
| Lynn Chadbourne | Matthew Little & Family | Whitson Family |
| Tami Malone Charles | Tim Meador | Peggie Worthey |
| Andy Collier | Arthur Merkle | |
| Marilyn Craig | Melissa Mikesell | Healthcare Workers |
| Pamela Cress | Lois Miles | Police & Fire Fighters |
| Florida Dixon | Carolyn Mowry & Family | Military Duty: |
| Jim Earnest | Mary Ann Paloncy | Sebastian Ewald |
| Neil Earnest | Ron Pipenger | Brittany Kalbfleisch |
| Lavanda Ferguson | Susan Reichard | Andy Wilson |

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

OPENING HYMN

281 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven to earth come down,
 2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery trou - bled breast!
 3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all Thy grace re - ceive;
 4. Fin - ish, then, Thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let us be;

fix in us Thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
 Let us all in Thee in - her - it, let us find the prom - ised rest.
 sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
 let us see Thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee:

Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love Thou art;
 Take a - way our bent to sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be;
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve Thee as Thy hosts a - bove,
 changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heaven we take our place,

vis - it us with Thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 end of faith, as its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 pray, and praise Thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
 till we cast our crowns be - fore Thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1747
 MUSIC: John Zundel, 1870

BEECHER
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Lower keys, No. 534 and No. 653
 Alternate tune, HYFRYDOL

CALL TO PRAYER

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying 389

Lord, lis-ten to Your chil-dren pray-ing,

Lord, send Your Spir-it in this place; Lord, lis-ten to Your chil-dren

pray-ing, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

WORDS: Ken Medema, 1973

MUSIC: Ken Medema, 1973

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CHILDREN PRAYING

Irregular

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Nothing But the Blood

626

1. What can wash a - way my sin? Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;
 2. For my par-don, this I see, noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;
 3. Noth-ing can for sin a - tone, noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;
 4. This is all my hope and peace, noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus;

what can make me whole a - gain? Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.
 for my cleans-ing, this my plea, noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.
 noth-ing good that I have done, noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.
 this is all my righ-teous-ness, noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.

Oh! pre-cious is the flow that makes me white as snow;

no oth - er fount I know, noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.

WORDS: Robert Lowry, 1876 (Heb. 9:22)
 MUSIC: Robert Lowry, 1876

PLAINFIELD
 7.8.7.8 with refrain