

First Baptist Church
of Wollaston

September 5, 2021



Prelude

Ring the Bell

Welcome, Ministry Highlights

This is the day the Lord has made, let us be glad in it!

1. Please pray continuously for our Pastoral Search Committee.
2. Please press *6 when you wish to speak during our sharing time.

- **Join Sunday Worship on Zoom** (Sunday 10:30 - 11:30 am)

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***Call to Worship in unison:**

Dear God, please shape our spirits and fill our hearts so we may use our abilities, personalities, and experiences to share the love of Christ to our neighbors; unite us in Your grace which may bear your generosity and kindness; strengthen our obedient heart to carry out your commission in Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Hymn of Praise: Blue Book #353 For the Beauty of the Earth

<p>1. For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies. [Refrain] <i>Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.</i></p> <p>2. For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light, [Refrain]</p>	<p>3. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, [Refrain]</p> <p>4. For thyself, best gift divine, to the world so freely given, agent of God's grand design: peace on earth and joy in heaven. [Refrain]</p>
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Invocation and Lord's Prayer

***Gloria Patri**

Please share the Peace of Christ with each other on line

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 32:1-5 (Beverly)

¹Blessed is the one
 whose transgressions are forgiven,
 whose sins are covered.

²Blessed is the one
 whose sin the LORD does not count against them
 and in whose spirit is no deceit.

³When I kept silent,
 my bones wasted away
 through my groaning all day long.

⁴For day and night
 your hand was heavy on me;
 my strength was sapped
 as in the heat of summer.^[b]

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you
 and did not cover up my iniquity.
 I said, "I will confess
 my transgressions to the LORD."
 And you forgave
 the guilt of my sin.

Offertory (Please mail your offerings with your pledge envelope to the church)

Music Offertory

A Meditation

Ralph Fisher

Doxology

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Joys & Concerns

Our LORD loves those who love the Lord and worship Him sincerely.

Please share any joys and concerns and prayer requests

Pastor's Prayer

Hymn of Preparation: Blue Book 315 Let Us Break Bread Together (vs. 1, 2 & 4)

<p>1. Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you broke the loaves beside the sea. Beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord; my spirit waits for you, O living Word.</p>	<p>2. Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you blessed the bread by Galilee. Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All in all!</p>	<p>4. O send your Spirit now, dear Lord, to me, that he may touch my eyes and make me see. Show me the truth made plain within your Word, for in your book revealed I see you, Lord.</p>
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Sermon - What is Your Gratitude Quotient?

Rev. Bill Swilling

Scripture: Luke 7:36-50

³⁶ When one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, he went to the Pharisee’s house and reclined at the table. ³⁷ A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee’s house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume. ³⁸ As she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.

³⁹ When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, “If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner.”

⁴⁰ Jesus answered him, “Simon, I have something to tell you.” “Tell me, teacher,” he said.

⁴¹ “Two people owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii,^[c] and the other fifty. ⁴² Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he forgave the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?”⁴³ Simon replied, “I suppose the one who had the bigger debt forgiven.” “You have judged correctly,” Jesus said.

⁴⁴ Then he turned toward the woman and said to Simon, “Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give me any water for my feet, but she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. ⁴⁵ You did not give me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. ⁴⁶ You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet. ⁴⁷ Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—as her great love has shown. But whoever has been forgiven little loves little.” ⁴⁸ Then Jesus said to her, “Your sins are forgiven.” ⁴⁹ The other guests began to say among themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?” ⁵⁰ Jesus said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you; go in peace.

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Communion

The Institution of the Lord’s Supper (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

²⁵ In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” ²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

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CHURCH COVENANT (in Unison)

As we trust we have been brought by divine grace to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and to give up ourselves to Him, so we do now solemnly covenant with each other to walk together in Him, in brotherly love;

That we will exercise a fraternal care and watchfulness over each other, and cultivate sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech, being slow to take offence and always ready for reconciliation;

That we will ever remember the Church in our prayers, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together for worship, and will regularly contribute of our means, as the Lord shall prosper us, for the support of a faithful evangelical ministry among us and the spread of the gospel among all nations;

That we will not neglect secret prayer or the study of God's Word, nor the great duty of religiously training our children and those under our care for the service of Christ and the enjoyment of the life to come;

That we will seek divine aid to enable us to walk circumspectly and watchfully in the world, denying ungodliness and every worldly lust, endeavoring by example and effort to win souls to Christ;

And through life, amidst evil report and good report, to seek to live to the glory of Him who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

Parting Hymn: Blue book #708 **Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

1. Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Benediction

Postlude

Happenings on the Hill!

September 13th– Common Purpose starts up

September 19th at 3pm–Memorial Service for Lorrie Thomas’s father & brother

September 26th – Our 150 Anniversary Celebration!
Reminiscing, playing games, eating & entertainment

Sermon Schedule

September Schedule			Pastor	Scripture Lesson
9/5	Luke 7:36-50	<i>What is Your Gratitude Quotient</i>	Rev. Bill Swilling	Beverly Moulton
9/12			Rev. Bill Swilling	Gary Mahn
9/19			Rev. Bill Swilling	Elizabeth Eaton
9/26			Rev. Bill Swilling	Trina Wolf

• **Weekly Online Schedule:**

Worship	Sunday Worship (10:30 am)
Bible Classes	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83300111021?pwd=dG1kTndDenQ1djl0Z0N1Z1FSVzhvUT09 Passcode: 622081
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Thursdays (6:30 pm) Friday (11:00 am)	One tap mobile (Save this on your mobile-phone to avoid manually entering numbers) +16468769923,, 83300111021#,,,,* 622081#

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