

*First Baptist Church
of Wollaston
February 20, 2022*



Prelude

April Gardiner

(Please meditate quietly during the prelude)

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Please **JOIN US** in person at 81 Prospect Ave, Wollaston at 10:30am Service *or* **JOIN US** on ZOOM (Sunday 10:30)

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***Call to Worship in unison:**

I will proclaim what the Lord has done. Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. For this is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad in it. AMEN
Psalm 118

Hymn of Praise: Blue Book #558 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

<p>1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav’n, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art. Visit us with thy salvation; enter ev’ry trembling heart.</p>	<p>2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into ev’ry troubled breast. Let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest. Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be. End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.</p>	<p>3. Come, Almighty, to deliver, let us all thy life receive. Suddenly return, and never, nevermore they temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.</p>
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Invocation and Lord’s Prayer

Gloria Patri: Blue Book #805

Peace of Christ

Scripture Lesson: Exodus 4:1-9, and 29-31 ()

Moses answered, "What if they do not believe me or listen to me and say, 'The LORD did not appear to you?'"

² Then the LORD said to him, "What is that in your hand?" "A staff," Moses replied.

³ The LORD said, "Throw it on the ground."

Moses threw it on the ground and it became a snake, and he ran from it. ⁴ Then the LORD said to him, "Reach out your hand and take it by the tail." So Moses reached out and took hold of the snake and it turned back into a staff in his hand. ⁵ "This," said the LORD, "is so that they may believe that the LORD, the God of their fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has appeared to you." ⁶ Then the LORD said, "Put your hand inside your cloak." So Moses put his hand into his cloak, and when he took it out, the skin was leprous - it had become as white as snow. ⁷ "Now put it back into your cloak," he said. So Moses put his hand back into his cloak, and when he took it out, it was restored, like the rest of his flesh.

⁸ Then the LORD said, "If they do not believe you or pay attention to the first sign, they may believe the second. ⁹ But if they do not believe these two signs or listen to you, take some water from the Nile and pour it on the dry ground. The water you take from the river will become blood on the ground."

²⁹ Moses and Aaron brought together all the elders of the Israelites, ³⁰ and Aaron told them everything the LORD had said to Moses. He also performed the signs before the people, ³¹ and they believed. And when they heard that the LORD was concerned about them and had seen their misery, they bowed down and worshiped.

Offertory

Musical Selection

April Gardiner

(Please place your tithes and offerings in the plate in front of the church. Thank you.)

***Doxology: Blue Book #809**

Joys & Concerns

Let us please keep our friends and neighbors in our hearts this New Year. Especially, pray for Susan Shack, Paul St. John(car accident), Paul Ricciardi.

Pastor's Prayer

Hymn of Preparation: Blue Book#591 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" vs. 1 & 2

<p>1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; re clothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.</p>	<p>2. In simple trust like theirs who heard beside the Syrian sea the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee.</p>
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Sermon: “Sign Gifts”

Pastor Bill

Text: John 5:1-9

Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish festivals. ² Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda^[a] and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades. ³ Here a great number of disabled people used to lie—the blind, the lame, the paralyzed, ⁴and they waited for the moving of the waters. ⁵ One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. ⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, “Do you want to get well?”

⁷ “Sir,” the invalid replied, “I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me.”

⁸ Then Jesus said to him, “Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.” ⁹ At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked.

Parting Hymn: Blue Book #30 “I Will Sing of the Mercies”

<p>1. I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing, I will sing, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord. With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness, With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness to all generations, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.</p>	<p>2. All the hosts of the angels sing God’s praise forever for the things He has done. All the hosts of the angels sing God’s praise forever, all the hosts of the angels sing God’s praise. Who can be compared to God in faithfulness, in faithfulness? Who can be compared to God in faithfulness to all generations? I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.</p>
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Benediction

Postlude

April Gardiner

Please stay for the coffee hour today in the chapel.





If anyone wants to volunteer to help with coffee hour, please let Beverly know.

And please say hi to April Gardiner, our guest organist today!

Happenings on the Hill!

Sermon Schedule

February 2022

	<i>Sermon</i>	<i>Text</i>	<i>Pastor</i>	<i>Scripture</i>	<i>Reader</i>
2/6	<i>Spiritual Gifts</i>	Cor. 12:12-13	Bill Swilling	Corinthians 12:1-11	Beverly
2/13	<i>Spiritual Gifts, 2</i>	Eph. 4:14-16	Bill Swilling	Ephesians 4:1-13	Gary
2/20	<i>Sign Gifts</i>	John 5:1-9	Bill Swilling	Exodus 4:1-9, and 29-31	Mizpah
2/27	<i>Above All</i>	Col. 3:1-14	Bill Swilling	Gal. 4:15-25	Sandy

Weekly Online Schedule:

Sun	10:30 am	Sunday Worship (link above)
Thu	6:30 pm	Thursday Bible Class ????
Fri	11:00 am	Prayer Group Meeting

ZOOM Link for Bible study & Prayer Group

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