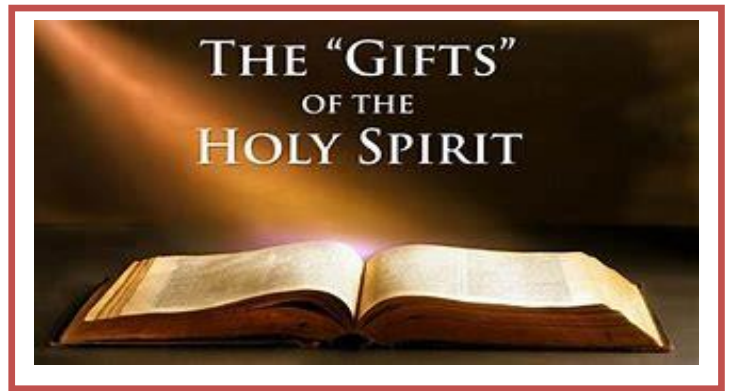


*First Baptist Church
of Wollaston
February 27, 2022*



Prelude

April Gardiner

(Please meditate quietly during the prelude)

Ringling 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:**

The law of the Lord is perfect, *reviving the soul*. The precepts of the Lord are right, *giving joy to the heart*. The commands of the Lord are radiant, *giving light to the eyes*. The fear of the Lord is pure, *enduring forever*. The ordinances of the Lord are sure, and *altogether righteous*. In keeping them there is *great reward*. **AMEN**

Psalms 19

Hymn of Praise: Blue Book #20 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

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| <p>1. Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Op'ning to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!</p> | <p>2. All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Your rays, Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise; Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee!</p> | <p>3. Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest, Well-spring of the joy of living, Ocean-depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our Brother- All who live in love are Thine; Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine.</p> |
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Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Gloria Patri: Blue Book #805

Scripture Lesson: Galatians 5:13-25 (Sandra Cavallo)

¹³You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh^[a]; rather, serve one another humbly in love. ¹⁴For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁵If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

¹⁶So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

¹⁹The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; ²⁰idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. ²⁴Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. ²⁶Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

Offertory Prayer

(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 (hospital), Paul Ricciardi, & revival for our church.

Pastor’s Prayer

Hymn of Preparation: Blue Book#470 “Jesus Loves Me, This I Know” vs. 1 & 3

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| <p>1. Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so; Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong. <i>Refrain:</i> Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.</p> | <p>2.Jesus loves me! He will stay Close beside me all the way; Thou hast bled and died for me, I will henceforth live for Thee. <i>Refrain:</i> Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.</p> |
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Sermon: “Above All”

Pastor Bill

Text: Colossians. 3:1-14

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. ⁶Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. ⁷You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. ⁸But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. ⁹Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. ¹¹Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

¹²Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Parting Hymn: Blue Book #593 “The Gift of Love”

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| <p>1. Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift of all inspire, and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.</p> | <p>2. Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.</p> | <p>3. Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship, and are freed.</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.



Please Call Gary Mahn if you like to sing and would like to collaborate in a singing project for Easter Sunday!

Email gmahn@verizon.net or call 617-850-5605

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

Happenings on the Hill!

Sermon Schedule

| February 2022 | | | | | |
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| | Sermon | Text | Pastor | Scripture | Reader |
| 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:

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| 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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