

*First Baptist Church
of Wollaston
September 4, 2022*



Prelude

April Gardiner

(Please meditate quietly during the prelude)

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Join us in person at 81 Prospect Ave, Wollaston at 10:30am Service

Join us on Zoom (Sunday 10:30)

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***Call to Worship in unison:**

Lord Jesus, by the indwelling of your Holy Spirit, purge our eyes to discern and contemplate you until we attain to see as you see, judge as you judge, choose as you choose; and having sought and found you to behold you forever and ever. We ask this for your name's sake. Amen

Christina Rossetti, 19th century

***Hymn of Praise: Blue Hymnal #701 "God Is Here" (tune "Love Divine")**

1. God is here! As we his people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share: here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of his Spirit into open minds and hearts.

2. Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font and pulpit, here the cross has central place: here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here in newness and renewal God the Spirit comes to each.

3. Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old; here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

4. Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel, help us work your purpose out; here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we who cannot live without you, we adore you! we believe.

***Invocation and Lord's Prayer (Using Debts and Debtors)**

***Gloria Patri**

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 40 (Lewann)

I waited patiently for the LORD;
 he inclined to me and heard my cry.
² He drew me up from the desolate pit,
 out of the miry bog,
and set my feet upon a rock,
 making my steps secure.
³ He put a new song in my mouth,
 a song of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear,
 and put their trust in the LORD.

Offertory Please place your offerings in the plate at the front of the church after the service.

***Doxology: Blue Book #809**

A prayer for the offering.

Joys & Concerns

- Let us please keep our neighbors in and around the world in our prayers.
- Prayer List: Bob Sealund, Susan Shack, Paul Ricciardi, Trina, and Tom Daly, George Gardiner and Vinny Mina and the teachers and children as they return to school.
- **Are there any other special prayer requests?**

Pastor's Prayer

Hymn of Preparation: Blue Book #520 "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

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| <p>1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take him at his word, just to rest upon his promise, just to know, "Thus saith the Lord." Refrain: <i>Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more</i></p> | <p>3. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease, just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> |
| <p>2 O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood, just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood! <i>(Refrain)</i></p> | <p>4. I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Savior, Friend, and I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> |

Sermon: “As Living Stones”

Pastor David Choi

Text: I Peter 2:1-5

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. ² Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and ⁵ like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. (NRSV)

The Institution of the Lord’s Supper

The Bread

The Cup

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 verse)

Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

Benediction

Postlude

April Gardiner

* means please stand

**Please welcome back Pastor David Choi, retired pastor of our church.
Please stay for cookies and lemonade today in the chapel.**

Happenings on the Hill!

*"Rally Day" is coming up soon-September 11th.
"Ice Cream Social" outdoors following church.*



Sermon Schedule

| September 2022 | | | | | |
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| | Sermon | Text | Pastor | Scripture | Reader |
| 9/4 | <i>"As Living Stones"</i> | I Peter 2:1-5 | Pastor Choi | Psalm 40 | Lewann |
| 9/11 | | | Pastor Elow | | Gary |
| 9/18 | | | Pastor Badger | | Jeff |
| 9/25 | | | Pastor Badger | | Beverly |

Weekly Online Schedule:

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| Sun | 10:30 am | Sunday Worship (link above) |
| Thu | 6:30 pm | Thursday Bible Class (on Hold) |
| Fri | 11.00 am | Prayer Meeting-all invited |

Zoom Link for Bible study & Prayer Group

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83423063965?pwd=citBSUYyQmNyLytIOTc5L0hTUmxCUT09>

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