



Welcome to Richmond's First Baptist Church

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June 11, 2023 | 11 a.m.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Preparation For Worship

Today we enter into that long stretch of the church year known as Ordinary Time, which lasts from now until late November. Cardinal numbers are the numbers we use to show quantity, to tell “how many” things there are; Ordinal numbers are the numbers we use to tell the order of how things are set, as in, “one thing after another.” You can see how one day after another could become “ordinary,” and how the Second Sunday after Pentecost could seem very ordinary indeed. But the liturgical color for this stretch of the church year is green, and these ordinary days can stretch into a season of extraordinary growth and renewal.

—Jim Somerville

The Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Invocation

Allison Collier

Prelude, “Wonderful Peace”

W.G. Cooper

Call to Worship, (from Psalm 33, NRSV)

Allison Collier

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright.

People: **Praise the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings.**

Leader: Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

People: **For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.**

Leader: The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

People: **Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.**

Hymn No. 312, “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

MARION

Recognition of Graduating Seniors

Michael Lacy

A Litany of Blessing

Jada Ransome, Reese Haley,
Ella Sun, Josiah Collier

Leader: We know it won't be the same but we will continue to love and support you. We have prayed for you more than you know.

All: **We love you.**

Leader: The stories in scripture speak truth of God's love for you and your future.

All: God Loves you.

Leader: We are excited to see the person you are becoming.

All: The church loves you.

Leader: May you go and remember you are loved. Spread the love wherever you go.

Old Testament Lesson, Genesis 12:1-4, (Pew Bible OT page 12) Kelsey Carroll

Call to Prayer, Hymn No. 278, "We Are Travelers on a Journey" BEACH SPRING
(stanza 1 only)

Pastoral Prayer Lynn Turner

Hymn No. 676, "Teach Me, O Lord, I Pray" DIADEMATA

Bringing Heaven to Earth Mallory Hess

Offertory "Child of God" Mark Miller
Youth Worship Arts Team

No matter what people say, say or think about me,
I am a child, I am a child of God.
No matter what people say, say or think about you,
You are a child, you are a child of God.
No matter what the world says, says or thinks about me,
I am a child, I am a child of God.
No matter what the church says, decisions, pronouncements on you,
You are a child, you are a child of God.
And there is no thing, no one who can separate,
They can't separate you from the truth that you're someone,
You are family, you are meant to be a child of God!

Doxology OLD 100TH

Children are invited to exit the sanctuary for Children's Worship. See below for details.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Dedication of Gifts Daniel Hocutt

Epistle Lesson, Romans 4:13-25, (Pew Bible NT page 188) Daniel Hocutt

Anthem	<i>“Let All the People Praise” Adult Choir</i>	Craig Courtney
Sermon	<i>When in Romans: Reckoned Righteous</i>	Jim Somerville
Hymn No. 509, “Trust and Obey”		TRUST AND OBEY
The Life of the Community		Jim Somerville
Charge and Benediction		Jim Somerville
Postlude, “Postlude in an Original Antiponal”		Christopher Uehlein



The worship services at Richmond’s First Baptist Church are planned around the weekly readings from The Revised Common Lectionary. This biblically based approach to worship can be strengthened and enhanced by the awareness and preparation of our church family as we ready ourselves to meet God and each other in worship each week.

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, June 18, 2023: Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7); Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; Exodus 19:2-8a; Psalm 100; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8, (9-23)

The flowers today are given to the glory of God in memory of
 Bill Mezger by Effie Mezger;
 Ruby C. Richie by her daughter, Cynia Katsorelos;
 Melvin Ernest and Justine S. Smith by Zachary Bittner;
 Charles W. Tatum by his family.

The 11 a.m. worship service is streamed on Sundays at fbrichmond.online.church
 and on YouTube at fbrichmond.org/youtube.
 This week’s Sunday worship will be broadcast in central Virginia on TV8 on a one-week delayed basis.

Wireless personal receivers are available for those who need assistance hearing in the Sanctuary.
 If your hearing aid is equipped with a T-switch, please activate it to utilize our hearing loop.

Ministry Leadership Staff

Dr. James G. Somerville, Senior Pastor

The Ministry of Christian Community

Rev. G. Lynn Turner, Senior Associate Pastor
 Rev. Robert E. Thompson, Minister of Pastoral Care
 Becky Payne, Pastoral Care Associate

The Ministry of Christian Formation

Dr. Allison Collier, Associate Pastor
 Amanda Lott, Minister to Children & Families
 Michael Lacy, Student Ministry Assistant
 Alex Hamp, Preschool Administrator

The Ministry of Christian Worship

Dr. Philip L. Mitchell, Associate Pastor
 Ruth Szucs, Music Ministry Associate
 Eunice Kim, Pianist
 Cheryl Van Ornam, Organist

The Ministry of Christian Invitation

Rev. Matthew Hensley, Associate Pastor
 Lee Byerly, Recreation Director

The Ministry of Christian Compassion

Rev. Steve R. Blanchard, Associate Pastor
 Emma Tilley, Compassion Ministry Associate

The Ministry of Communication

Allen Cumbia, Director of Communication Technology
 Leigh Farmer, Communication Coordinator

The Ministry of Support

Donna Earley, Director of Stewardship & Development
 Kim Boys, Interim Business Manager

Deaf Mission at Richmond

Rev. Dirk Hill, Pastor

• **Matching Gift Initiative | WE HAVE REACHED OUR GOAL** | We have some incredible news! Because of your generous gifts, we have met our goal of \$50,000 for the matching gift program. This will allow us to continue the work of bringing the Kingdom of Heaven to Richmond, Virginia. We would like to extend a big thanks to all those who participated in this program.

• **To reserve a Sunday flower memorial or honorarium**, contact Becky Payne at 804-358-5458 x154 or flowers@fbcrichmond.org. The acknowledgment will be listed in the worship bulletin on the date you designate. The cost is \$30.

• **Week of Prayer and Mission Offering for the River City Faith Network (RCFN): Into the Neighborhood June 11-18** | RCFN goal: **\$100,000**; FBC Offering Goal: **\$19,000**

Sunday, June 11, visit richmondbaptist.org to find information on the work of the River City Faith Network's Baptist Centers and Camp Alkulana. Pray for their mission work during the week.

Tuesday, June 13, 10:30 a.m. Join Women on Mission in Flamming Hall at 10:30 a.m. as Maria Lynn, Executive Director and Mission Strategist for the River City Faith Network, tells us what's new at the three Baptist Centers and at Camp Alkulana. Lunch follows at noon (\$7); no reservations are needed.

Wednesday, June 14, RCFN+FBC. Hear from FBC members who go "into the neighborhood" to participate in various River City Faith Network mission projects, 6:15 p.m. following dinner, Flamming Hall.

Sunday, June 18, Support the work of River City Faith Network, it's three Baptist Centers, and Camp Alkulana by giving online or by using your gold offering envelope; designate your gift for River City Faith Network.



• **Quarterly Business Meeting & New Member Celebration | June 21 | 6:15 p.m. | Flamming Hall**
Join us at 5 p.m. for dinner and stay for the QBM and welcome all the new members to First Baptist!

• **Glea Lea Cleanup | June 17 | 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. 3909 Austin Ave., Henrico**

We need your help! The Compassion Team is coordinating an effort to landscape Glen Lea Elementary School for the summer. Meet us out there on June 17. Make sure to sign up using the QR code so that we know how many people to expect.



• **Being Christian in a Post-Christendom World June 14 | 6:15 p.m. | 280H** | Our world is constantly changing. And the speed of change seems to quicken with every passing year. Nothing seems settled. Does the same hold true for matters of faith and religious belonging? This four-week study begins June 14 and will introduce participants to the religious world we have left behind and the new one that we are entering. Join a conversation around Christendom assumptions and a post-Christendom reality that is creative and hopeful. In order to register, email Matthew Hensley at hensley@fbcrichmond.org or call 804-355-8637 x134.

• **Helena Youth Mission Trip | July 7-15** | This trip is specifically for our youth (middle and high school students). We invite them and their families to travel with us to Arkansas as we spend our time working with *Together for Hope* in one of the 20 most impoverished counties in the country. The experience will be rewarding, eye-opening, and faith-forming for those who make the trip. If your teen has a heart for service, this is the trip for you! Register on the FBCnow! app or use the QR code.



• **Summer Music Camp | July 31-August 4 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.** | Students in rising first-fifth grades are invited to join us for this fun week of music and rhythm. Mornings will include choir, rhythm instruments, bells/ chimes, Bible stories, skits, and more. For an additional \$10, you can extend your child's day to 4:30 p.m. Use the QR code to register.



• **Notre Dame Children's Choir | June 23 | 7 p.m.**
The 10th Anniversary Tour will make a stop at Richmond's First Baptist Church for a free concert. Thirty-five singers ages 11-18 will travel from Indiana to perform a mix of songs and liturgies by Mozart, Stephen Paulus, Vaughan Williams, Mark Miller, J.J. Wright, and many more.

• **Movie Screening: Anahita | July 12 | 6:15 p.m.**
Belltower Pictures presents Anahita at Richmond's First Baptist Church. Produced by FBC member David Powers, Anahita is a powerful documentary about an Afghani mother who escapes from the Taliban to begin a new life in America. The FREE screening is open to all.

• **Saturday At Charlotte Acres | June 24 | 9 - 11 a.m.**
No green thumb is required! Please join us to tend the garden, learn about what we plant, and help feed those in need at our community food pantry and mobile market. Sign up using the QR code.

