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Submit articles or event information for announcements by Tuesday at 4:00pm to editor@seattlefirstbaptist.org. Articles for the monthly newsletter, the Spire, by the 20th of the month.

Homecoming Sunday



There's no place like home

Sunday, September 12, 2021

11:00 a.m.

In the Sanctuary

Please respect those gathering in prayer before worship.



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Welcome to worship! We are glad you are here.

Thank you for wearing your mask over your nose and mouth for the entirety of worship.

Children are a treasured part of this community! Please find a Worship Adventure Packet or a Busy Box at the tables in the foyers. Children are free to use these resources during the worship service as they sit in the pews or in the Wiggle Room.

For families who prefer to worship together in a more informal setting, the service may be seen and heard in the Wiggle Room (aka Brawley Room) adjacent to the sanctuary. Arts, crafts, books and other materials are also available there to engage younger children.

Please take a moment to turn your cell phone ringer off. Thank you!



Prelude	<i>Come Lord Jesus, from Heaven to Earth</i> – J. S. Bach	Una Hwang, organ
Gathering		Pastor Anita Peebles
*Hymn	<i>God of Grace and God of Glory</i>	#436
Time with Children		Pastor Anita Peebles
Invitations to Involvement/ Call to Giving/ Call to Prayer		Janet L. Hasselblad
*Prayer Hymn	<i>Amazing Grace</i> vs. 1-3	#547
Prayer		Pastor Tim Phillips
Choral Music	<i>We've Come this Far By Faith</i> arr. McDonald	

Unison Scripture Luke 15:11-24 Pastor Patricia L. Hunter

Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything.

*If it is comfortable for you, please stand where indicated.

But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

Sermon	Surprise, I'm Home!	Pastor Patricia L. Hunter
*Hymn	<i>Bring Us Home</i>	See Insert
Blessing		Pastor Patricia L. Hunter
Postlude	<i>Fanfare</i> - John Cook	Una Hwang

Please join Virtual Coffee Hour on Zoom after the service. Find the link on the church calendar or connect at this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/866012575>. This is an informal time to connect with our church family.



Notes for Today's Worship: Welcome to Homecoming 2021! Many of us thought we would be on the other side of this pandemic by now, but we are not. We are grateful for those who are able to worship with us in person. We miss our friends who are not yet venturing out to SFBC and we are grateful for you too. As Dorothy said in The Wizard of Oz, there's no place like home. If you are looking for a church community to call home, welcome home to SFBC. Please do your best to stay safe and may the presence of the Holy One be with us all as we strive to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God. *Pastor Tim, Pastor Anita, Pastor Patricia*

Flowers for Homecoming are provided by Sterling Morris, Worship Steward.

Next Sunday, September 19 Guest speaker: Rev. Osagyefo Sekou

September Programming

Brave Space on Monday, September 13th - we will continue the discussion about stepping out of our comfort zone. All are welcome! The Zoom link can be found on the church calendar. For more information, contact Karen Carlos at karenlewis58@gmail.com.

Tuesday Prayer, EVERY Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. led by **Pastor Patricia L. Hunter**.
Wednesday Community Gathering - Wednesdays, September 15, 22, and 29, 6:30-9:30 p.m. You can join us online or in person at the church for our weekly gathering. Dinner is not yet being served but there will be engaging programming for all ages.
September 15th features Pastor Anita leading us in games, music and storytelling.
•Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/543978086> •Meeting ID: 543 978 086

Thursday Bible Study w/Pastor Tim - Sept. 16: The Problem with Prodigals. Luke 15.
Godly Play programming in September to be announced soon. Stay tuned.

What's happening at SFBC? Visit www.seattlefirstbaptist.org