

**THE NINETEENTH
SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



**OCTOBER 8, 2023
11AM WORSHIP**

**SEATTLE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
1111 HARVARD AVENUE
SEATTLE, WA
seattlefirstbaptist.org**

Welcome to Worship at Seattle First Baptist. All are Welcome.

Children are a treasured part of our community.

Please find a Worship Adventure Packet or a Busy Box at the tables in the foyer.

Children are free to use these resources in the pews or the Wiggle Room.

We gather on the unceded ancestral lands of the Coast Salish people, past and present.

With gratitude, we honor the land itself and the legacy of the First People of Seattle, the Duwamish Tribe.

May we remember that the oppression of Native peoples is not a relic of the past but continues today.

*And may we, through God's Spirit, repent and walk forward together,
changing systems that discriminate as we live into authentic diversity and healing.*

**If it is comfortable, you are invited to stand.*

Prelude	"Ich Ruf Zu Dir, Herr Jesu Christ," BWV 639 J.S. BACH	Christian Broughton
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Gathering		Pastor Anita Peebles
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*Hymn #8	"Praise to the Living God"	DIADEMATA
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Time with Children		Brooke Rolston
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Song	"Compassion Prayer"	Ben Luedcke
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May we be filled with compassion;

May we be filled up to the top of our hearts.

When we have the power to make something right, may we show God's love.

May we be shown compassion;

May we be found in the center of peace.

When we have needs that others can meet, may we find God's love.

Invitations to Involvement/Call to Giving/Call to Prayer		Corey Clemons
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*Hymn #612	"Strengthen All the Weary Hands"	SONG OF REJOICING
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Prayer		Pastor Anita Peebles
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Please respond when indicated with the bolded words:

One: Holy One, we lift our hearts to you.

ALL: O God, hear our prayer.

Anthem	"I am a Stranger"	Sanctuary Choir
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KEN MEDEMA/arr. TOM EGGLESTON

I am a stranger here in this strange land, I've left behind me my home and kin.

I am an alien, I am unwanted, and there is no one to take me in.

Who will befriend me? Who will defend me? Who will extend me an open hand?
Who'll stand beside me? Who'll walk before me? For I'm a stranger here in this land.
Now I am hungry, I need your help today, my child is starving, what shall I do?
I have no family, can you come help me? And tell me, can I depend on you?
I will befriend you, I will defend you. I will extend you an open hand.
For Christ has called me, now to befriend you. You'll be no stranger here in this land.
Come lonely stranger, we bid you welcome.
All that we have we gladly share it in Jesus' name.

Scripture	MATTHEW 25:31-46	
Sermon	"The Danger of Drawing Lines"	Pastor Anita Peebles
*Hymn #538	"Standing at the Future's Threshold"	LUX EOI
Benediction		Pastor Anita Peebles
Postlude	"Wass Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan" JOHANN GOTTFRIED WALTHER	Christian Broughton

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for Coffee Hour.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 8

Please see This Week in your email and on our Facebook page for more detailed information.

Evergreen Meeting Volunteers Needed: Help is needed this Friday and Saturday, October 13 and 14 for hosting the Evergreen Meeting. Volunteers are needed for set-up and clean-up of the dinners and ushers are needed for the evening worship services. Contact Inola de la Cruz at (206) 295-4178 or idelacruz2020@gmail.com to sign up.

Women's Retreat: "Spiritual Companions" October 20-22 at Rainbow Lodge in North Bend. \$250 shared room; \$300 private room; or pay-what-you-can. The deadline to register is October 12. Register at the Retreats page on our website.

Interfaith Climate Action—First Hill Fall Retreat: Thursday, October 19, 10am-3pm in the Bet Alef Living Room, 806 N. 64th St. For more information contact Keith Ervin at (206) 371-3834 or keithervin@msn.com.

Islander at Seattle Rep: Join Interfaith Climate Action—First Hill in seeing the new musical *Islander* at Seattle Rep, October 29 at 5:30pm. Tickets available at seattlerep.org. RSVP to smallgroups@seattlefirstbaptist.org.

Sign-Up for Flower Donations: Sign-up at the Welcome Table to donate or provide flowers for the Communion table on Sunday mornings. Flowers can be given in memory or honor of a loved one that you wish to remember.

SFBC CALENDAR THIS WEEK

For Zoom links, see our online calendar at seattlefirstbaptist.org

Sunday 10/8 **Friendship Circle** 12:45pm in the Peacemaker Room and on Zoom

Tuesday 10/10 **Prayer Group** 12pm on Zoom

Tuesday 10/10 **Finance Committee Meeting** 4:30pm on Zoom

Tuesday 10/10 **SFBC Council Meeting** 7pm on Zoom

Wednesday 10/11 **Youth Group** 6:30pm in the Youth Lounge

Thursday 10/12 through Saturday 10/14 **Evergreen Association Annual Meeting at SFBC**

Thursday 10/12 **Bible Study** 12pm on Zoom

Thursday 10/12 **Evergreen Choir Rehearsal** 7pm in the Sanctuary

Friday 10/13 **Evergreen Worship Service** 7pm in the Sanctuary

Saturday 10/14 **Men's Group** 10am on Zoom

Saturday 10/14 **Women's Conversations** 11:30am on Zoom

Saturday 10/14 **Evergreen Worship Service** 7pm in the Sanctuary

Sunday 10/15 **Back to the Future** 9:30am in the Parlor

Email contact@seattlefirstbaptist.org to reach any of the following people.

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