

**THE TWENTIETH
SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



**OCTOBER 15, 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	“Prière à Notre-Dame” (<i>Suite Gothique, Op. 25</i>) LÉON BOËLLMANN	Christian Broughton
Gathering		Pastor Anita Peebles
Personnel Greeting		
*Hymn #18	“Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer”	CWM RHONDDA
Time with Children		Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove
Invitations to Involvement		Marv Kvamme
*Hymn #46	“Hope of the World”	ANCIENT OF DAYS
Call to Giving		Marv Kvamme
Offertory	Ben Luedcke, Aaron Burkhalter, and Brooke Rolston	
Prayer		Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove
Anthem	“Let the River Run” CARLY SIMON/ <i>arr.</i> C. H. JOHNSON	Sanctuary Choir with Denali Williams, percussion

Coming to the edge, running on the water.

Let the river run: let all the dreamers wake the nation. Come, the New Jerusalem.

Silver cities rise, the morning lights the streets that lead them
and sirens call them on with a song.

It's asking for the taking, trembling, shaking. Oh, my heart is aching:

We're coming to the edge, running on the water.

Coming through the fog your sons and daughters.

Scripture MATTHEW 13:54-58

Sermon	“Is There Anything More Difficult Than Preaching to the Choir?”	Rev. Douglas Avilesbernal
*Hymn (<i>insert</i>)	“Bring Us Home”	HERR WIR BITTEN KOMM
Benediction	Pastor Anita Peebles and Pastor Leigh Curl-Dove	
Postlude	“Fanfare”	Christian Broughton
	JACQUES-NICOLAS LEMMENS	

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for Coffee Hour.

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Rev. Douglas S. Avilesbernal was brought into this world by God, prepared by God, and called by God to be a bridge between different worlds with many different cultures and languages. He is the son of missionaries, having been born in Guatemala, Central America. He is married to Anna Wiegner and they have two sons. His growth in Christian faith has spanned three decades, several continents, many countries, and the requisite number of schools, culminating in his ordination to pastoral ministry in 2010 at Calvary Baptist church in Norristown, Pennsylvania. He is currently the Executive Minister of the Evergreen Baptist Association of American Baptist Churches. His published works include *Welcoming Community: Diversity That Works* and *Trouble the Water*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 15

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

Books Still Available: *Building Lasting Bridges* \$17.75 for the small group of the same name. *Less Is More* \$20 for the Interfaith Climate Action discussion led by Susan Blythe-Goodman, October 30 at 7pm on Zoom. Purchase at the Welcome Table. Pay-what-you-can, credit card, exact cash, or check.

Islander at Seattle Rep: Join Interfaith Climate Action—First Hill in seeing the new musical *Islander* at Seattle Rep, October 29 at 5:30pm. Food and discussion following the performance. Tickets available at seattlerep.org. Let Lynn Gaertner-Johnston or Keith Ervin know you are attending.

Outreach Donations: SFBC Outreach is looking for donations of \$15 or \$20 gift cards to QFC, PCC, Safeway, Fred Meyer, Jack in the Box, Subway, or Taco Bell. Visa gift cards also accepted. Donations of toilet paper, facial tissues, shampoo, and body wash are also needed. See Beth Reis for more information.

SFBC CALENDAR THIS WEEK

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

Sunday 10/15 **Reproductive Justice & Faith** 12:30pm in Fridell and on Zoom

Sunday 10/15 **Gay Men's Group** 12:30pm in the Parlor

Monday 10/16 **Brave Space** 6pm on Zoom

Tuesday 10/17 **Prayer Group** 12pm on Zoom

Tuesday 10/17 **Legacies Group** 1:30pm on Zoom

Tuesday 10/17 **Grief Support Group** 6:30pm on Zoom

Tuesday 10/17 **Parents of Adult Children Living with Mental Illness** 7pm

Wednesday 10/18 **Choir Rehearsal** 7pm

Thursday 10/19 **Interfaith Climate Action Retreat** 10am at Bet Alef Synagogue

Thursday 10/19 **Bible Study** 12pm on zoom

Thursday 10/19 **Building Lasting Bridges** 6pm on Zoom

Friday 10/20 through Sunday 10/22 **Women's Retreat** at Rainbow Lodge

Saturday 10/21 **Men's Group** 10am on Zoom

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

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Rev. Anita Peebles, *Pastor*

Rev. Leigh Curl-Dove, *Pastor*

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