

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

Prelude William Gaithersburg  
*I Just Feel Something Good is About to Happen*  
David Córdoba Hernandez, *pianist*

Call to Worship Susan Weaver  
Leader: O Lord, there is no one like you in heaven above or on earth below.  
**All: Holy is your name.**  
Leader: Heaven, even the highest heaven cannot contain you. How much less this house we have built!  
**All: Great is your presence.**  
Leader: Yet hear the prayers of your people. Make this a place of prayer and us a people of your way.  
**All: Meet us here to worship.**

Invocation Susan Weaver

Hymn of Praise 15 NETTLETON  
*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
The Sanctuary Ensemble

Old Testament Reading Susan Weaver  
*1 Kings 5:1-5*  
(page 298 in the pew Bible)

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us . . .  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

Children's Sermon Rev. Holly Hatton

Moment of Gratitude Rev. Holly Hatton

Choral Worship *Zion's Walls* arr. Lynn Shaw Bailey  
The Sanctuary Ensemble  
*Come, fathers and mothers, come! Come, sisters and brothers, come! Join us in singing the praises of Zion. O fathers, don't you feel determined to meet within the walls of Zion. We'll shout and go 'round the walls of Zion. We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion! We'll shout and go 'round!*

\* Response *Doxology* OLD 100TH  
The Sanctuary Ensemble  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ all creatures here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.*

Old Testament Reading Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel  
*1 Kings 8:1-13*  
(pages 301-302 in the pew Bible)

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us . . .

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Prayer of Preparation Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel  
*Almighty God, to You all hearts are open, all desires known, and from You no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Message Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel  
*Mission over Mansion*

Worship in Song Sara Groves  
*He's Always Been Faithful to Me*  
Courtney Pace, soprano

Prayers of the People Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

The Lord's Prayer Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel  
*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

\* Response 252 *Gloria Patri* GLORIA PATRI  
The Sanctuary Ensemble  
*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen, Amen.*

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

Hymn of Response 390 AUSTRIAN HYMN  
*We Are Called to Be God's People*  
The Sanctuary Ensemble

The Welcoming of New Members  
**In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place; we offer you our love, our care, our kinship, and our hopes. We hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you, by God's grace.**

Commission and Blessing Susan Weaver  
Leader: O Lord, there is no one like you in heaven above or on earth below.  
**All: Be with us, wherever we go.**

\* Benediction Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

\* Postlude Léon Boëllmann  
*Toccatà from Suite Gothique*  
Aaron Foster, *organist*

***Per the policy of FBC, masks must be worn over the mouth and nose at all times in the building. Thank you.***

Today's worship participants are Susan Weaver, a member of the Personnel committee and a member of the Connect 4 SS class; and Courtney Pace, chair of the PR committee and a member of the Connect 4 SS class. Our music ensemble consists of choir members, Doris Gill, Tom Kimmel, Paul Martin, Jenny Pendley, Marc Pendley, Sammy Rich, and Cathy Wilhelm. Harold Weaver is today's audio tech volunteer and Skip Howard is today's video recording volunteer.

### THE CHRISTIAN YEAR

We find ourselves in the season of the Christian Year known as Ordinary Time. This season of the Christian Year is marked with the color green because it is set aside as a season of growth and transformation. Our ministers' stoles and runner on the altar table represent life and growth while the Christ Candle and Bible remind us of the central role the light of Christ and the Word of God in Scripture play in our transformation during these "Great Green Growing Days."