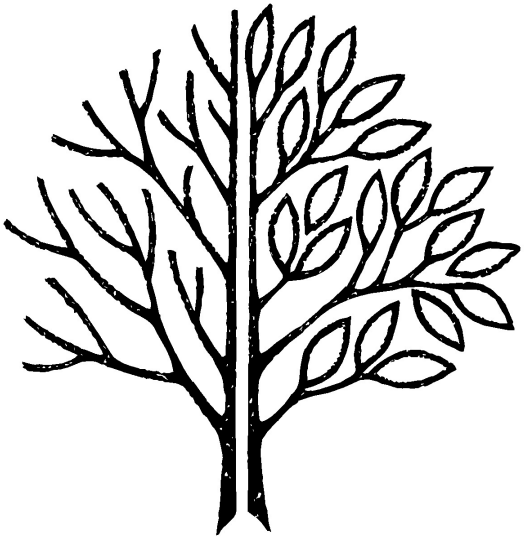
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MADISON



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2026 | 10:30 AM

Reign of Christ Sunday

Welcome to worship! We're so glad you're here at First Baptist.
If this is your first time visiting us, we have a small gift for you!
One of our deacons will find you at the conclusion of the service.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Words spoken by the assembly are printed in **boldface**. Hymns can be found numerically in either the Red or Black hymnals.*

gathering

Prelude — *We Praise you, O God* Setting by Dale Wood

Welcome

Gathering Song — *For the Beauty of the Earth* Black Hymnal #28

† Call to Worship

Great Spirit, we are your children!
We have heard you in the winds, seen you in the sunrise; we have felt your kindness in the seasons.
Great Spirit, we know you! We hear you speak!
We know this very moment you are near to us as the air surrounds us and fills our lungs with life.
Be with us, Great Spirit. Show us the way you would have us go!

† Prayer of Invocation

Creator God, from you every family in heaven and on earth takes its name.
You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love,
and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love,
and to walk in your way towards justice and wholeness.
Mercifully grant that your people, journeying together in partnership,
may be strengthened and guided to help one another to grow into the full stature of Christ, who is our light and our life.
Amen.

Word

Reading — Excerpt from *In the Heart of the World* (p. 13-15, Mother Teresa)

God loves the world through you and through me.
There is much suffering in the world - very much. Material suffering is suffering from hunger, suffering from homelessness, from all kinds of disease, but I still think that the greatest suffering is being lonely, feeling unloved, just having no one.

Let us be very sincere in our dealings with each other and have the courage to accept each other as we are. Do not be surprised at or become preoccupied with each other's failure; rather see and find the good in each other, for each one of us is created in the image of God. Jesus has said it beautifully: "I am the vine, you are the branches." The life-giving sap that flows from the vine through each of the branches is the same.

Song — *Guide My Feet*
Black Hymnal #497

Reading — Matthew 25:14-30

When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory.

All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats,

and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world,

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for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me,

I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.'

Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink?
And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing?

And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?'
And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.'

Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You who are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels,
for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink,

I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.'

Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?'

Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.'
And these will go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life."

Sermon — Pastor Katya

Song — *For the Healing of the Nations*
Red Hymnal #668

community

Stewardship Moment — Leslie Garcia

Prayer Refrain



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† Pastoral Prayer — Pastor Katya

Prayers of the People



You are invited to speak aloud names of those who need prayer when prompted to do so. If you need pastoral care or would like to make specific prayer requests for inclusion in our weekly prayers, please contact the church office or a Deacon.

Prayer Refrain

Prayer of Jesus

…Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught:

Our Creator, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name
Your kin-dom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kin-dom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Sending

Announcements — Amanda Huff

Sending Song — *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*
Black Hymnal #495

Benediction

Dismissal

Go from this place in the peace of God, listening to the calling of the Spirit.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude — *Nun danket alle Gott*
Setting by Egil Hovland

† Call to Worship
adapted from Worship in the Vision of a New Agape (2004), a joint venture from the Anglican Council of Indigenous People (ACIP) and the Faith, Worship, and Ministry committee (FWM) as a part of the Anglican Church of Canada.

† Prayer of Invocation
Written by the Huron Lenni Lenape Algonkian Iroquoian Council (Huron LAIC/First Nations Parishes)

† Pastoral Prayer
From Liturgies from Below, by Cláudio Carvalhaes et al.

Again, we extend a *special welcome* to our guests and visitors. There is always a place for you here!



Leading in Worship today

Liturgist	Amanda Huff
Preaching	Katya Ouchakof
Reader	Sara Kelm
Music	Zach Busch and FBC Choir
Sound	Dennis Ray
Livestream	Morgen Loree Anderson

*We are always **seeking new volunteers** to lead in worship! If you are curious and interested in reading, serving communion, helping with audio for the service, or singing in the choir, please talk with staff, deacons, or email the church office.*

We seek to include the work of writers, composers, or artists in worship who are known to be members of historically marginalized communities. This is an intention imperfect in practice. We acknowledge that the work of equity and inclusion is never complete.

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