

# The Worship of God

## GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost • August 11th, 2024 • 10:30 AM

### GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

During this time of reflection, we invite you to take a few moments to prepare yourself for worship. Take a few deep breaths and settle into the quiet. Center yourself through art by coloring the attached picture. Slip off your shoes and remember that you are on holy ground. No matter what this time looks like for you, your whole self is welcome in this space.

### CHIMING THE TRINITY

Lisa Horn

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Annie Campbell

\*Responsive readings like this one are a part of worship. The congregation's part is in **bold**.\*

One: We are witnesses,

**Many: Witnesses to the love God has poured into us.**

One: We are witnesses of God's love,

**Many: sharing it with each person we meet.**

One: We are witnesses to everyone we encounter,

**Many: little children like us, sisters and brothers in God's family.**

One: Let us tell the world of the love we have found!

**Many: Let us tell the world what Christ did for love!**

### INVOCATION PRAYER

### HYMN 215

"Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"

ST. KEVIN

### SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Annie Campbell

\*Prayer requests are shared out loud with the gathered community. If you have a joy or a concern to share, please raise your hand to request the microphone\*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (ALL)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.**

**Amen.**

### HYMN No. 595

"Be Thou My Vision"

SLANE

SCRIPTURE

[Luke 24:36-48](#)

Anita Laffoon

One: This is the Word of God, for the people of God

**Many: Thanks be to God**

SERMON

“What I Did For Love”

Anita Laffoon

TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE “I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked’ with ‘What I Did For Love”

Arr. Horn

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

HYMN NO. 102

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

ST. AGNES

CLOSING COMMISSION

One: We have sung, we have prayed, we have worshiped together.

**Many: Now we go back out into the world.**

One: We came together to build relationships,

**Many: Relationships with each other, and our relationship with Jesus.**

One: We go out as people who are strengthened by our connections

**Many: Ready to love and to serve. Ready to carry God's love to the world.**

One: As you journey through the ups and the downs of the coming week,

**Many: Let us remember that God, who has invited us into relationship, is always with us.**

One: Go with God, as the people of God.

**Many: So be it! Amen**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ is with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

\*\*Our services are hybrid, meaning there are cameras in the worship space to allow those joining us via Zoom to fully participate. If you would rather not be on camera, we have marked the areas where our cameras can't see you.\*\*



Are you visiting with us today? We'd love to get to know you better!

Scan the QR code to tell us more about you.

## **Announcements**

### **Metro Richmond at Prayer**

During the week of August 11, we pray for the workplaces and businesses of Metropolitan Richmond: For financial institutions, sustainable and just investment policies, and effective development efforts to benefit the entire community.

### **Pray for our Ministry Partners**

RPS Foundation - The mission of Richmond Public Schools Education Foundation is to partner with Richmond Public Schools to actively develop philanthropic resources and community relationships that support the goal to improve student learning and achievement in preparation for success in college, career, and community.

### **Lunch Bunch**

Join us for lunch after church today! We will meet at Kitchen 33 (on Staples Mill Rd) after worship.

### **Reclaiming Faith**

We're partnering with Grace Baptist Church, Tabernacle Baptist Church, and Seventh Street Christian Church to host author Trent Clifford for a weekend of reflection, healing, and creating based on his new book *Reclaiming Faith: Learning to Reimagine Church, God, and Ourselves*. Please mark your calendars for August 23rd (6-8pm) and 24th (9:30am-12:30pm). We also have books for sale if you want to read *Reclaiming Faith* before the event. Look for a sign-up link on Realm!

### **VA Pride**

We have our official acceptance to be a vendor at Pride! If you can help on Saturday, September 14th from 12pm to 5pm, look for a sign up link on Realm.

### **Study Opportunities**

Our study opportunities and Children's worship will be resuming soon!

- **Children's Worship** - if you haven't already, let Anita know if you would like to be added/removed from the list of volunteers by August 18th.
- **Sunday Morning Small Group** - will discuss the ideas for the fall today at lunch.
- **Thursday Morning Bible Study** - will resume their study of Acts on September 12th.
- **Weeknight Small Group** - will begin in September and will be reading *Unclobber: Rethinking Our Misuse of the Bible on Homosexuality*. This book reexamines six passages in the Bible - often known as the "Clobber Passages" - to talk about what the Bible says (and does not say) about homosexuality. We will talk about outdated and inaccurate assumptions and interpretations in this study, as well as learn how to articulate our own theology. Time and date TBD. Let Anita know if you are interested in joining this study!

### **Worship isn't the same without you...**

...and we'd love to have your help! We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings by leading the Call to Worship and the Prayers of the People, and to facilitate the Zoom room. Contact Anita to sign up (alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org)!

### **Backpack Update**

Our deliveries will begin soon! If you are interested in helping this year, let Dixie Leathers or Connie Bak know. As always, please continue to bring in your paper grocery bags (with handles!).

## **Hymn Texts**

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### **Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain**

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness;  
God hath brought his Israel into joy from sadness:  
loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters,  
led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.

'Tis the spring of souls today: Christ hath burst his prison,  
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath risen;  
all the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying  
from his light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.

Now the brightest season dawns with the day of splendor,  
with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;  
comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection  
welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.

### **Be Thou My Vision**

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art  
thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my redeemer, my love thou hast won, thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
thou and thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

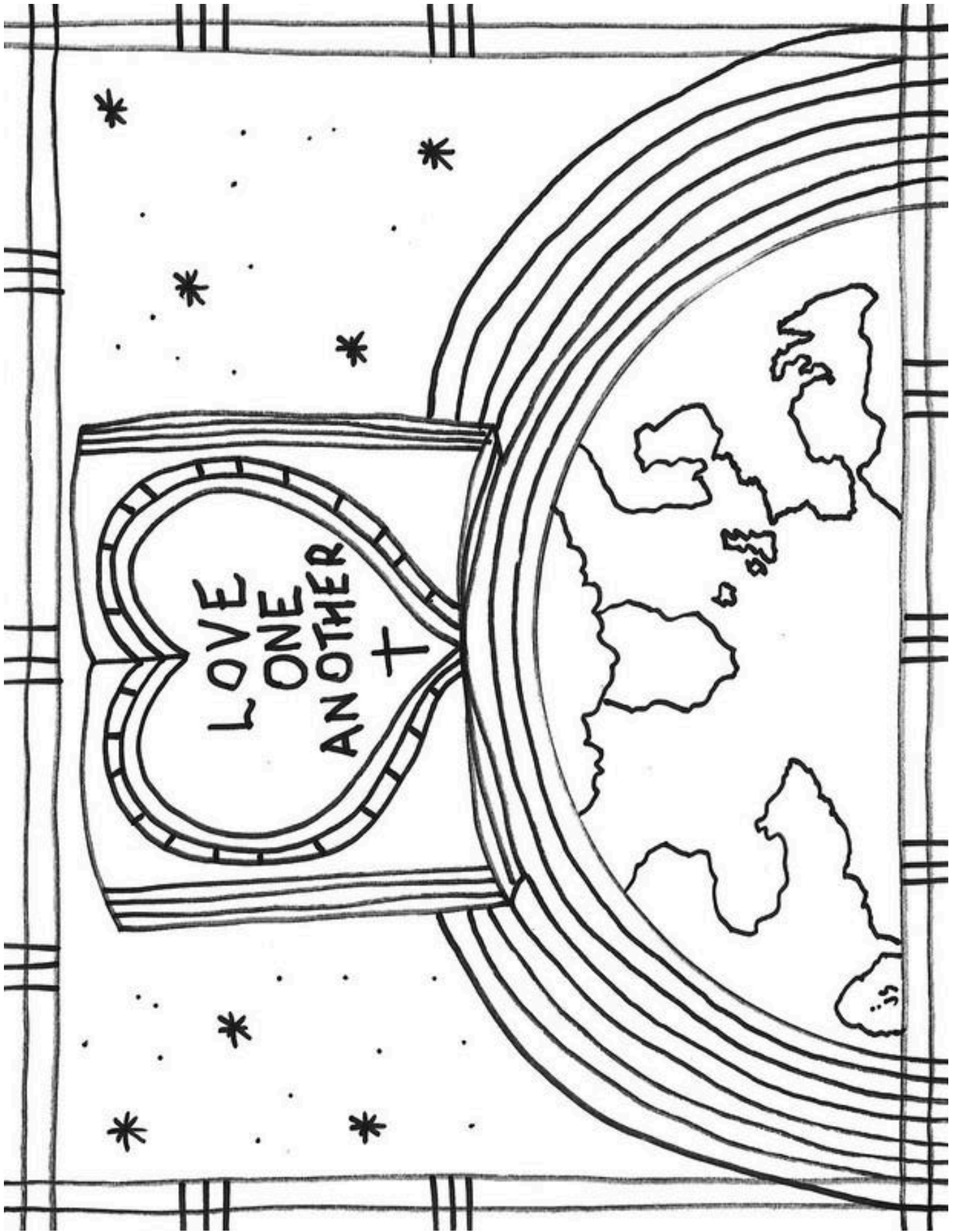
### **Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee**

Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast;  
but sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind recall  
a sweeter sound than thy blest name, O Savior of us all.

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,  
to those who ask, how kind thou art! How good to those who seek!

Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be;  
Jesus, be thou our glory now; and through eternity.



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