

FIRST CHURCH, SARASOTA  
**Traditional Worship Service**  
**Second Sunday After Pentecost**

June 11, 2023

Michael Stuart, Director of Music/Organist

Rev. Woody Woodward, Associate Pastor

Rev. Sam Wright, Ph.D., Senior Pastor

**Order of Service**

PRELUDE (11 a.m.)

*Allegro* from *Concerto in A minor* Johann Sebastian Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Donna Maynard  
Director of Ministries

HYMN SING (8:30 a.m.)

\*OPENING HYMN *Ye Servants of God* Screens/Hymnal 181

PASTORAL PRAYER. Tony Kenworthy, Lay Leader (8:30 a.m.)  
Rev. Woody Woodward, Associate Pastor (11 a.m.)

CHORAL RESPONSE (11 a.m.) Diane Bish  
*For Thine Is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory Forever!*  
*Amen.*

CHORAL ANTHEM (11 a.m.)  
*Sanctus from Gospel Mass* Robert Ray

Chancel Choir Andrew Nason, soloist  
*Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts; Hosanna be to Thee in the highest; Who gave me victory. There was a man sitting by the road side; he was blind he could not see. Then the master of the earth and skies; touch'd his eyes and he look'd around saying, "Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts; Hosanna be to Thee in the highest; Who gave me victory." Another man lay by a poolside; thirty eight years with his infirmity. Then the Lord troubled the water; the man arose and he jump'd for joy saying, "Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts; Hosanna be to Thee in the highest; Who gave me victory." Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. We will always sing, always sing Thy praise. Hosanna in the highest, sing Hosanna in the highest. Like the blind man and the lame man, I was lost living in sin. Then I opened up my heart one day, I let the Savior in. Now I shout saying, "Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts; Hosanna be to Thee in the highest; Who gave me victory. Holy, Lord Jesus, Holy!"*

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 10:28-39 (CEB)  
Don't be afraid of those who kill the body but can't kill the soul. Instead, be afraid of the one who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Aren't two sparrows sold for a small coin? But not one of them will fall to the ground without your Father knowing about it already. Even the hairs of your head are all counted. Don't be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows.

"Therefore, everyone who acknowledges me before people, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven. But everyone who denies me before people, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven. "Don't think that I've come to bring peace to the earth. I haven't come to bring peace but a sword. I've come to turn a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. People's enemies are members of their own households.

"Those who love father or mother more than me aren't worthy of me. Those who love son or daughter more than me aren't worthy of me. Those who don't pick up their crosses and follow me aren't worthy of me. Those who find their lives will lose them, and those who lose their lives because of me will find them.

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC(11 a.m.)  
*The Lord's Prayer* Leela Sundaramr Albert Malotte  
*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.*

THE MESSAGE  
*Fathers of the Bible: God, Our Father in Heaven*  
Rev. Dr. Sam Wright

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE  
*His Eye Is on the Sparrow* Screens/TFWS 2146

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We are grateful for your generosity to the ministries of First Church. Please place your offering in one of the baskets as you exit the service, mail a check to the church, or you may give online at [www.firstsrq.com](http://www.firstsrq.com); click GIVE. Thank you for your faithful support.

BENEDICTION  
  
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE  
*Make Me A Channel of Your Peace* Screens/TFWS 2171

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune* Henry Purcell

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**ALTAR FLOWERS**  
*The flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Dr. Peter A. Boelens, Brenda's father and missionary of the Lord, by Brenda Boelens and Satish Maripuri.*

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**In Memoriam**  
*Robert Hopkins ~ May 28, 2023*

\*Please stand as you are able.

## UPCOMING EVENTS AND REMINDERS

### ONE SERVICE – 11 A.M. – SUNDAY, JULY 2 PATRIOTIC PICNIC AFTER SERVICE

WE will provide the food! NOT required but helpful for planning, indicate the number in your party on the Attendance Form or contact office (941-955-0935; info@firstsrq.com).

**INVITE FRIENDS FOR WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP!  
WEAR PATRIOTIC COLORS!**

### FATHER'S DAY – SUNDAY, JUNE 18

We will honor fathers and all men on Father's Day. First Church KIDS will have a gift for each man. Come early and linger after to enjoy homemade refreshments in the Narthex.

### HAVE YOU WALKED WHERE JESUS WALKED?

Visiting the Holy Land is a life-transforming experience for many. Walking where Jesus walked is a spiritual, educational, and historical journey. Dr. Sam will lead a 10-day trip to Israel flying out of Tampa on March 5, 2024. For more information, <https://www.eo.travelwithus.com/tours/hl24030524a44151#.ZGOVo-zMIZE>.

### WELCOME HOME TO DR. SAM AND YVONNE!

We hope you enjoyed your time away (and missed us). We are glad you are back. We prayed for your health and safety. We thank Pastor Woody for his inspiring messages and many tasks he added to his workload with smiles and support for all.

### SERMON SERIES: FATHERS OF THE BIBLE

June 11 - *God, Our Father, Matthew 10:28-39*

June 18 - *Adam, Genesis 4:1-7*

June 25 - *Abraham, Genesis 22:1-13*

July 2 - *Isaac, Genesis 25:21-28*

July 9 - *Jacob, Genesis 48:8-15a*

July 16 - *Manoah, Judges 14:1-9*

July 23 - *Saul, 1 Samuel 20:30-34*

July 30 - *David, 2 Samuel 13:20-22*

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, June 11

Online Worship Services: 8:30, 9:45, 11 a.m.

**8:30 a.m. Worship - Chapel**

9:40 a.m. - Faith Cafe, Rm 104 / Zoom

**11 a.m. - Worship - Sanctuary**

11 a.m. - Children's Sunday School, Y.H.

11 a.m. - Middle School Sunday School, Y.H.

12 p.m. - TeamTreble, Choir Rm

### Monday, June 12

### Tuesday, June 13

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Artisans' World Marketplace (Tues-Fri)

2:30 p.m. - Women's Spiritual Growth Group, Room 104/Zoom

### Wednesday, June 14

10 a.m. - VBS Decorating, Fellowship Hall

6 p.m. - Choir Practice, Sanctuary

6:30 p.m. - Praise Band Recording

### Thursday, June 15

10 a.m. - VBS Decorating, Fellowship Hall

2 p.m. - Trustees Meeting, Room 104/Zoom

### Friday, June 16

10 a.m. - VBS Decorating, Fellowship Hall

### Saturday, June 17

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Artisans' World Marketplace

2:30 p.m. - Ukrainian Tutoring, F.H.

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### ADULT SUNDAY CLASSES

Christian Fellowship will resume in September.

Faith Cafe (9:40 a.m. - Room 104/Zoom)

### FIRST CHURCH KIDS (Youth Hall)

(Use elevator or stairs in office area.)

Pre-K - 5th Grade - 11 a.m.

### Church Staff

**Candy Bell**, Early Care Center Director

**Eric Dudley**, Custodian

**Baron Garriott**, Director of Praise Music

**Sally Hires**, Administrative Assistant

**David Jackerson**, Church Technology Coordinator

**Joyce Johnson**, Pastoral Care Assistant/Faith Community Nurse

**Alyssa Machado**, Director of Children and Youth

**Jesse Masters**, Custodian

**Donna Maynard**, Director of Ministries

**Julie Miller**, Director of Finance/Administration

**Maria Mossbarger**, Early Care Center Office Manager

**Mike Pepe**, Tech Assistant/Sound Engineer

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