

## The Worship of God

September 13, 2020

10:00 am

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

First Baptist Church

Gainesville, Florida

**Invitation to Worship**

**Pastor Eric Spivey**

### **Hymn of Declaration – *The Master Hath Come* - #421 (st. 1 & 3)**

Words by Sarah Doudney, music is a Traditional Welsh Melody ASH GROVE

The Master hath come, and he calls us to follow  
The track of the footprints He leaves on our way;  
Far over the mountain and through the deep hollow,  
The path leads us on to the mansion of day;  
The Master hath called us, the children who fear Him,  
Who march 'neath Christ's banner, His own little band;  
We love Him and seek Him, we long to be near Him,  
And rest in the light of His beautiful land.

The Master hath called us, in life's early morning,  
With spirits as fresh as the dew on the sod:  
We turn from the world, with its smiles and its scorning,  
To cast in our lot with the people of God:  
The Master hath called us, His sons and His daughters,  
We plead for His blessing and trust in His love;  
And through the green pastures, beside the still water,  
He'll lead us at last to His kingdom above.

**Call to Worship**

**Pastor Lynn Williams**

Hear these words based on the words of Jesus...

I am the holy vine which God my Father tends,  
Each branch that yields no fruit my Father cuts away  
Each fruitful branch He prunes with care  
To make it yield abundant fruit.

If you abide in me, I will in you abide  
Each branch to yield its fruit must with the vine be one.  
So shall you yield much fruit;  
But none if you remain apart from me.

—from the hymn *I Am the Holy Vine*, by James Quinn © 1969 James Quinn

**Songs of Devotional Praise – *Lord, Be Glorified* - #542 (st. 1 & 3)**

Words and music by Bob Kilpatrick © 1978 Bob Kilpatrick Ministries BE GLORIFIED

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In your church, Lord, be glorified today.

***Seekers of Your Heart* - #548**

Words and music by Melodie and Dick Tunney and Beverly Darnall © 1987 BMG Songs ISAAC

Lord, we want to know You, live our lives to show You  
All the love we owe You – we're seekers of Your heart.

***Jesus, Draw Me Close* - #553 (twice)**

Words and music by Rick Founds © 1990 Maranatha Music, Inc. FOUNDS

Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord to You.  
Let the world around me fade away.  
Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord, to You;  
For I desire to worship and obey.

**Invocation**

**Dick Brodbeck**

**Song of Testimony – *Thrive***

**Worship First, Bill Smith, soloist**

Words and music by John Mark Hall and Matthew West  
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Here in this worn and weary land, Where many a dream has died  
Like a tree planted by the water, We never will run dry

So living water flowing through, God we thirst for more of You  
Fill our hearts and flood our souls, With one desire

Chorus

Just to know You and make You known, We lift Your name on High  
Shine like the sun made darkness run and hide, We know we were made for so much more  
Than ordinary lives, It's time for us to more than just survive  
We were made to thrive

Into Your word we're digging deep, To know our Father's heart  
Into the world we're reaching out, To show them who You are

So living water flowing through, God we thirst for more of You  
Fill our hearts and flood our souls, With one desire

Chorus

Joy unspeakable  
Faith unsinkable  
Love unstoppable  
Anything is possible

Chorus

**Scripture – John 15:1-2**

**Pastor Eric**

**Message – “The Vine”**

**Pastor Eric**

**Responding to God’s Call**

**Song of Response – *The Greatest Thing* - #527 (all 3 stanzas)**

Words and music by Mark Pendergrass © 1977 Birdwing Music THE GREATEST THING

The greatest thing in all my life is knowing You;  
The greatest thing in all my life is knowing You.  
I want to know You more, I want to know you more.  
The greatest thing in all my life is knowing You.

The greatest thing in all my life is loving You;  
The greatest thing in all my life is loving You.  
I want to love You more, I want to love you more.  
The greatest thing in all my life is loving You.

The greatest thing in all my life is serving You;  
The greatest thing in all my life is serving You.  
I want to serve You more, I want to serve you more.  
The greatest thing in all my life is serving You.

**Benediction**

**Pastor Eric**

**Song of Sending – *We Go in Peace* - #512 in *Celebrating Grace Hymnal***

Words and music by Keith Christopher © 2010 Celebrating Grace Inc. EDWARDS

We go in peace, we go in love. We go with grace and mercy from the Lord above  
To tell the world this very thing that Jesus Christ is Lord and King.  
Jesus Christ is Lord and King!

**Please remain seated until dismissed by one of our hosts. Thank you.**

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**The Vine**  
**The Trellis Series: Sermon 1**  
September 13, 2020  
John 15:1-2

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener.

John 15:1 (NIV)

**Sermon Guide**

**Boundary-Marker Spirituality:** A spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ defined by highly visible, relatively superficial practices (dress, vocabulary) whose purpose is to distinguish between those on the inside of a group and those on the outside.

Signs of Distorted Spirituality:

1. Am I spiritually \_\_\_\_\_?
2. Am I becoming judgmental, exclusive or \_\_\_\_\_?
3. Am I measuring my spiritual life in superficial \_\_\_\_\_?

Jesus Centered Spirituality = Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_

John 15

Jesus is the Vine (v.1)

The Father is the \_\_\_\_\_ (v.1)

We are the \_\_\_\_\_ (v.5)

Jesus – the Vine – is our \_\_\_\_\_ for life.

Questions for Action:

1. Will you commit to participate in The Trellis Spiritual Exploration this fall as an individual or family?
2. Will you pray this fall for spiritual direction as you learn about the Trellis?