

†HYMN 619

[My Life Flows On](#)

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

Amen, Alleluia
The First Church Choir

John L. Bell

POSTLUDE

Carillon de Westminster

Louis Vierne



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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Trinity Sunday

June 15, 2025

10 o'clock

To Give Online: <http://www.whfirstchurch.org/giving/give>

First Church's worship services are live streamed every Sunday downstairs in our church library, the John P. Webster Library. Watch church while your toddler plays in our children's area or if you need a separate place to worship for any other reason.

Rev. Fredd Ward, Senior Pastor
Jim Boratko, Director of Worship Arts
Amanda Bethune, Director of Faith Formation

PRELUDE

Vater unser im Himmelreich
("Our Father, Who Art in Heaven")
Swing Low Sweet Chariot

J. S. Bach
Arr. by Patricia Cota

The Whitechapel Handbell Choir, Jessica Berube-Sengupta, director

WELCOME

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Kelly Munro

One: God has no physical form now on earth but yours,
Many: **no hands but ours, no feet but ours.**
One: Yours are the eyes through which God’s compassion looks upon the world.
Many: **Our character is a means by which God manifests miracles.**
One: God has no face now on earth but yours.
Many: **We are examples of God’s beauty for others to behold.**

†HYMN 485

[Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race](#)

TALLIS’ CANON

†OPENING PRAYER

Spirit of truth, your glory is written across the starry heavens. Your wonder is evident in the earth and seas. Who are we that you care for us so deeply? How is it possible that you know us so thoroughly and love us so completely? Speak to us this day, that our lives may be steeped in your wisdom, and that the path to personal and global freedom may be marked with your goodness. Amen.

ANTHEM

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Arr. by Lloyd Larson

The Whitechapel Handbell Choir, Jessica Berube-Sengupta, director
Lisa Abel, pianist

INTRODUCTION TO SCRIPTURE

SCRIPTURE READING PART 1: [2 Kings 5:1-7 \(OT p.416-417\)](#)

SCRIPTURE READING PART 2: [2 Kings 5:8-14 \(OT p.417\)](#)

† Please stand in body or spirit as you are able.

†RESPONSE (HYMN 263)

[Surely the Presence of the Lord](#)

WOLFE

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel his mighty power and his grace. I can hear the brush of angels’ wings, I see glory on each face; surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

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SERMON

Free to Be Your Own Kind of Beautiful

Rev. Fredd Ward

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

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 501

[There Is a Balm in Gilead](#)

BALM IN GILEAD

CALL TO OFFERING

In our giving, we offer hospitality and healing to others. We extend the peace of God beyond this building. May our offerings honor the one who has first given us all that we have.

OFFERTORY

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

arr. Joel Martin

The First Church Choir, Michelle Kneeland, soloist

†DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†OFFERTORY PRAYER

Creator God, with gratitude and humility, we offer you these gifts. Pour your spirit upon them and magnify them for your purposes. We pray that the world may come to know your many expressions of beauty and blessing. Amen.

Please join us for fellowship and refreshments following the service!