

# Burlington Baptist Church

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**Sunday, September 10, 2017**  
10:30 a.m.

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## *Welcome* to Burlington Baptist Church today.

We pray you will find our fellowship warm and our worship meaningful.

Guests are encouraged to sign one of our guest books before leaving.

Regular and large print bulletins, and hearing-assist devices, are available.

Everyone is encouraged to stay for lunch today following the service.

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

### WE APPROACH GOD

God of all ages, God before beginning,

and without end;

draw close to us this day.

As we settle into this new season of autumn,

approach us again,

that we might draw upon your strength,

that we might learn from you,

that we might know your presence on our journey.

At this time of returnings and new beginnings,

begin again with us.

Amen.

**Prelude** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (Wyeth, arr. Raney)

\* **Welcoming Each Other** Dave Ogilvie

**Announcements**

**Prayer and Preparation**

### WE PRAISE GOD

**Call to Worship**

\* **Hymn of Praise** “Here in This Place” 401 - GG

\* **Prayer of Approach**

**Responsive Reading** “A Litany of Dedication” [insert]

**A Gift of Song** “Somebody Bigger Than You and I” Malcolm Paterson

Children's Time

\* Children's Hymn "God is Like a Flashlight" 25 - ST

WE GIVE OURSELVES TO GOD

The Offering "Sing to the Mountains" (Dufford, arr. Hytrek)

\* Offertory Prayer "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

*We give thee but thine own, whate're the gift may be;  
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.*

*Amen.*

Prayers of the People of God

Prayer Response "The Lord's Prayer" 66 - ST

*Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name  
Your kingdom come, your will be done  
On earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil;  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,  
Now and forever. Amen.*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

The Scriptures Marlene Hugill

Epistle Lesson: Romans 13: 7 - 14 (p. 923)

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 18: 15 - 20 (p. 799)

Sermon: "Refocusing"

\* Communion Hymn "We Gather Here" 510 - GG

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

## GOD SENDS US FORTH

\* Hymn of Response      “Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”      529 - GG

\* Benediction

\* Choral Benediction      “May the Spirit Bless You” (Mallory)

*May the Spirit bless you,  
Comfort, love and keep you,  
Shine God’s light upon you  
And give you peace.*

Postlude      “In a Monastery Garden” (Ketelby)

# *A Litany of Dedication*

PASTOR: O God of parents and children, of young and old,  
married and single, varied and beautiful,  
as we once more open the doors of our Sunday School,  
and as we begin a new season  
of learning and growing and serving,  
we turn to you in prayer.

ALL: **We praise you, O God, for the children, youth,  
and adults who are part of our faith community.  
And we thank you for opportunities  
to learn and grow and serve together.  
May this year that stretches before us,  
be one of greater discipleship for us all.**

PASTOR: Would all who will serve as teachers and leaders  
in our Spiritual Growth ministries – Sunday School,  
Youth Group, and Nursery – please stand. [Pause]  
Living God, these teachers and leaders who stand before us  
will give much of themselves throughout the coming year.

PEOPLE: **For their commitment, their dedication,  
and their willingness to give generously of themselves,  
we thank them, and you, O God.**

PASTOR: It is our prayer that as they give, so shall they also receive.  
Our children, in their childlikeness and youthfulness,  
give us a way to follow.  
They learn what they know by falling down and getting up,  
by trying new ideas - sometimes succeeding and  
sometimes failing, always daring to try again.

**ALL:** We would learn from them and be like them  
in our efforts to live out our faith –  
trying and failing, but always daring to try again.

**LEADERS:** Gracious God, we face a world very different  
from that in which our grandparents grew up.  
Help us to resist the tendency to recreate the past –  
to recapture the experiences which were meaningful  
only to earlier generations. Challenge us, we pray,  
to find new ways to teach old values and express a faith  
that is ever-changing and ever-growing.  
As leaders and teachers, may we walk *with* our students,  
not ahead of them nor behind them.

**PASTOR:** Our God, we know that the experience of growing  
and learning was never meant to be limited to children.  
Encourage us all to continue that lifelong process,  
through our participation in Sunday School,  
in our study of the Bible, in school,  
in art and in literature,  
and wherever your truth makes itself available to us.

**ALL:** God of all knowledge and wisdom,  
remind us that the greatest learning takes place  
in the classroom of human relationships.  
May we all be teachers of tolerance, peace, patience,  
kindness, faith, and love,  
in what we say and in how we respond to others.  
May we also be students of your wisdom.  
Bless our Sunday School, our Youth Group, and our  
Nursery, and all who are involved in these ministries,  
and guide us in your way.  
In the name of Jesus - that great maker of disciples  
and student of life - we pray.  
Amen.