



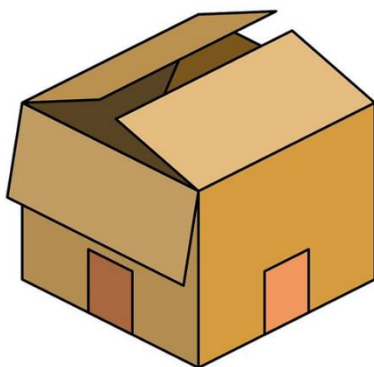
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“It’s Hidden in the Box”

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Welcome to Burlington Baptist Church today!

* You are invited to stand.

WE APPROACH GOD

Each day we are given a new start:
when we wake, a new morning is breaking forth,
and we are called to contemplate what we shall do with it,
and with our days ahead.

We contemplate, and we pray.
Be blessed as we are drawn by the music of the Prelude

Prelude “When Morning Gilds the Skies” Lisa
(Caswell/Joseph Barnby, arr. Carol Tornquist)

Celebrations & Concerns of the Congregation Joanna

Silent Prayer

WE PRAISE GOD

Call to Worship (responsive)

Leader: The waning days of autumn are a reminder
of the passage of time and of the seasons of life.

People: **The creator has blessed us with fall colours,
the beauty of our world,
and the harvest of a season’s toil.**

Leader: We come together in thanksgiving

People: **for yesterday and in hope for today,
and for tomorrow,**

Leader: for this new day sees a new creation
limited only by our imaginations
of what God may still lead us to be and to do.

People: **For a new day has dawned, let us rejoice in it**

Leader: So we come. Amen.

1. *Morning has broken like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!*
2. *Sweet the rain’s new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dew-fall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where God’s feet pass.*
3. *Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation; praise every morning,
God’s recreation of the new day!*

* Prayer of Approach

A Gift of Song “Wayfaring Stranger”
(American Folksong)

Allison (a cappella)

WE GIVE OURSELVES TO GOD

Prayers of the People of God

The Lord’s Prayer – a responsive adaptation

Leader: Holy God, Spirit of Heaven, Hallowed be Your name.

People: To name is to know; we know you through your
revelation in Jesus and through your active Spirit
of goodness and beauty in our world.

Leader: May Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth,
as it is in heaven.

People: Help us to be appreciative of what is beautiful,
and responsive to what is good;

Leader: Make us quick to see and ready to encourage whatever brings a Divine meaning into what otherwise might be the common round of an uninspired day.

People: Let us seek out the positive among the negative, the good among the seemingly discarded and neglected, the opportunity for service to those in need.

Leader: Help us to believe that the ideals of Your Spirit are not far-off dreams,

People: but a power for us to lift up, and to be caring, in our own real worlds.

Leader: Give us this day our daily bread.

People: Make us grateful for what we have,

Leader: and fill us with active pity for the millions who hunger, for the homeless and displaced, for the sick and the suffering, for all those who live with little hope, and who need the skills and materials which You have led us to discover for their help and healing.

People: While mindful of the needs of others, keep us also free from anxiety over meeting our own daily needs.

Leader: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

People: Forgive us when we have thought only of ourselves to the disadvantage of others, when we have failed to conduct ourselves in caring and compassionate ways,

Leader: when we have sought power and privilege
at the expense of others,
when we have failed to attempt to understand
the situations of others,

People: when we have been unworthily impatient
and inconsiderate, when we have been unjustly
judgmental.

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

People: Let us not be overcome by the temptations
which are along our paths,
but given the strength of our deeper convictions
to pursue what is good and beautiful,
no matter the cost.

Leader: For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

People: Goodness and mercy can prevail

All: for ever and ever. Amen.

Offering Invitation

* Offering Prayer “For the Life that You have Given” 717 - GG

*For the life that you have given,
for your love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labour,
with these gifts that are your own:
here we offer, God, our praises;
heart and mind and strength we bring;
give us grace to love and serve you,
living what we pray and sing. Amen.*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

The Scriptures

Sylvia

Hebrew Lesson: Psalms 14:1-2 and 51: 10-12

Gospel Lesson: Luke 15: 1 - 10

Thought for Today: “It’s *Hidden in the Box*”

GOD SENDS US FORTH

* **Hymn of Response** “In The Bulb There is a Flower” 250 – GG

1. *In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree,
in cocoons, a hidden promise; butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there’s a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*
2. *There’s a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
there’s a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*
3. *In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory.
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

* **Benediction**

Postlude

“Take Time to be Holy”

Lisa

(George C. Stebbins, arr. James Michael Stevens)

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We extend our sincere thanks to the Rev. Gary Caldwell for leading
our Worship this morning.
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