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Welcome to Burlington Baptist Church today!

* You are invited to stand.

WE APPROACH GOD

Gather us, O God,
that we may come expectantly to worship,
bringing with us the pain and joy of the week that is past.
Grant that all we do here in your name may be done to your glory,
such that justice and peace embrace each other,
and love and faith unite.
Amen.

Prelude

Cameron

Welcome and Announcements

Joanna

Prayer and Preparation

WE PRAISE GOD

Invitation to Worship

* Hymn of Praise “Sing Glory to the Name of God” 10 - GG

1. *Sing glory to the name of God,
whose holy splendor shines abroad. Alleluia, alleluia!
Enthroned above the crashing waves,
the God of grace and glory saves. Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*
2. *The name of God is full of might;
resounding thunder, flashing light. Alleluia, alleluia!
The wilderness cannot contain
the echoes of the great refrain: Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

3. *The name of God is wild and free,
a-whirl in holy mystery. Alleluia, alleluia!
A secret wrapped in smoke and fire,
still chanted by the temple choir: Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*
4. *May God forever be our peace;
may hymns of glory never cease: Alleluia, alleluia!
Let all the faithful people come;
Sing praise to God, the Three-in-One: Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

* Prayer of Approach

WE GIVE OURSELVES TO GOD

Responsive Reading “Aligning Belief with Action”

LEADER: Loving God, you call us to live out our faith
with integrity and compassion.

PEOPLE: **Help us to bridge the gap
between what we believe and how we live.**

LEADER: We profess to love our neighbors,
yet we often turn away from those in need.

PEOPLE: **Forgive us, O God, and guide us to act
with love and justice.**

LEADER: We believe in equality for all,
but we fail to challenge systems of oppression.

PEOPLE: **Give us the courage to stand up for justice
and equality.**

LEADER: We speak of caring for creation, yet we
contribute to its destruction through our choices.

PEOPLE: **Inspire us to be faithful stewards of Creation.**

LEADER: We claim to follow the teachings of Jesus, but we sometimes neglect to show kindness and mercy.

PEOPLE: **Transform our hearts to reflect the love and grace of Christ.**

LEADER: We say we value community, but we often isolate ourselves from those who are different.

PEOPLE: **Open our hearts to embrace diversity and build inclusive communities.**

LEADER: We declare our commitment to peace, yet we harbor anger and resentment.

PEOPLE: **Help us to seek reconciliation and to be peacemakers in our world.**

LEADER: We believe in your abundant provision, yet we cling to material possessions and wealth.

PEOPLE: **Teach us to trust in your provision and to share generously with others.**

LEADER: We proclaim faith in your guidance, but we often rely on our own understanding.

PEOPLE: **Lead us by your Spirit, that we may follow your will in all things.**

LEADER: God of grace, we long to live lives that reflect our deepest beliefs.

PEOPLE: **Strengthen us to close the gap between belief and action, that we may be your faithful disciples.**

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ - who bridges the gap between heaven and earth - we pray,

ALL: **Amen.**

Sunday Morning Friends

A Gift of Song “Come as You Are” The Anderson Family
(The Many)

Prayers of the People of God

Offering Invitation

* Offering Hymn “We Give Thee But Thine Own” 708 - GG

1. *We give thee but thine own, whate’re the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O God, from thee.*
2. *May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,
and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first-fruits give.*
3. *The captive to release, to God the lost to bring,
to teach the way of life and peace: it is a Christ-like thing.*
4. *And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be;
whate’re we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

The Scriptures

Crystal

Epistle Lesson: Acts 12: 12 - 17

Sermon: “*Mind the Gap*”

Rev. Debra Nicholson

GOD SENDS US FORTH

* Hymn of Response “God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens”
24 - GG

1. *God, who stretched the spangled heavens,
infinite in time and place,
flung the suns in burning radiance*

*through the silent fields of space;
we, your children in your likeness,
share inventive powers with you.
Great Creator, still creating,
show us what we yet may do.*

2. *We have ventured worlds undreamed of
since the childhood of our race;
known the ecstasy of winging
through untraveled realms of space;
probed the secrets of the atom,
yielding unimagined power,
facing us with life's destruction
or our most triumphant hour.*

3. *As each far horizon beckons,
may it challenge us anew,
children of creative purpose
serving others, honoring you.
May our dreams prove rich with promise,
each endeavor well begun.
Great Creator, give us guidance
till our goals and yours are one.*

* Benediction

Postlude

Cameron

<p>We extend our grateful thanks to The Rev. Debra Nicholson for leading us in Worship today.</p>
