

# Earle Street Baptist Church

10:30 am Worship

October 2, 2022

*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
World Communion Sunday*

CHIMES

WELCOME

Denise Plumblee

PRELUDE

*Jesus Is Lord of All*

arr. Barry Braman

CALL TO WORSHIP

Janice Hinnant

Leader: God of all peoples of the earth, we gather in Your presence to celebrate the presence of Jesus Christ,

**People: Whom we recognize as we join in breaking the bread and sharing the cup.**

Leader: We share communion today, not just with the circle of our family of faith, but with the whole world—

**People: The whole world for whom Jesus gave His life;**

Leader: And the fearful, fallen, broken world which God loves, and holds in His very hands.

**All:** (Please join in singing)

**He's got the whole world in His hands,**

**He's got the whole world in His hands,**

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**He's got the whole world in His hands.**

INVOCATION

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #273 *In Christ There Is No East or West*

McKEE

(All children, grade 5 and under, may come forward on the final stanza.)

**In Christ there is no East or West, in Him no South or North;  
But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.**

**In Him shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find;  
His service is the golden cord, close binding humankind.**

**Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be;  
Who serves my Father as His child is surely kin to me.**

**In Christ now meet both East and West, in Him meet South and North;  
All Christ-like souls are one in Him throughout the whole wide earth.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Karli Selz

(Following this, preschoolers, ages 3 – K5, may go to Sunday School, and children, grades 1 – 5 may return to their seats.)

PASTORAL PRAYER

Jim Wooten

\*OFFERTORY HYMN #463 *From Every Race, From Every Clime*

ST. PETER

**From every race, from every clime Your people gathered 'round  
The emblems of Your grace sublime with gratitude abound.**

**Partaking of the bread, we know our strength from You derives,  
And as we take the cup, we go to witness with our lives.**

**Throughout the world Your table's set, dear Lord, our Savior, Guide,  
In hope we know that we shall yet in fellowship abide.**

**From north to south, from east to west we gather to recall  
In reverent memory Your blest redemptive love for all.**

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER John Love

OFFERTORY *Nothing but The Blood/At the Cross* arr. Cindy Berry

\*RESPONSE *Doxology* OLD 100TH  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

ANTHEM *In His Hands* Tim Osiek

Sanctuary Choir

He's got the whole world, the whole world in His hands.  
He's got the whole world all people, all lands, in His hands.  
In time of doubt and fear, remember, God is near  
With calm assurance that is here in His hands.

He's got the sun and moon in His hands, they're in His hands.  
He's got the wind and rain at His command.  
When it's more than you can bear, know God's strong arm is there  
With all the power, love, and care in His hands.

Gentle power, loving strength, always holding me,  
Healing touch, tender care, and amazing grace.  
What do I have to fear, when He holds me near and I'm safely here in His hands!

He's got you and me in His hands, in His hands.  
He's got all of us as only He can, in His hands.  
In the darkness I can see God reaching out, reaching out to me!  
To know forever I will be, forever I will be, forever I will be in His hands.

GOSPEL READING John 1:29 Stephen Clyborne  
<sup>29</sup> The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

John 3:16

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE **"The World"** Stephen Clyborne

ORDINANCE OF COMMUNION

At this time, all are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper with the communion packs which will be served by the deacons. When invited, you may peel the first top back for the wafer, then

the second top for the juice. When you have finished, please place your empty cup in the cup holder on the back of the pew.

## INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #437

FESTAL SONG

*How Wide the Love of Christ*

**How wide the love of Christ! It knows not class or race  
But holds our one humanity within its broad embrace.**

**How long the love of Christ! Its patience will not cease  
Until this broken world is bound in everlasting peace.**

**How high the love of Christ! Beyond all thought it soars,  
And yet upon our passing lives unmeasured mercy pours.**

**How deep the love of Christ! Descending to a cross!  
He bears within His wounded hands all human pain and loss.**

**All praise to You, O Christ, for love whose depth and height,  
Whose length and breadth fill time and space with endless life and light!**

## INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

\*BENEDICTION

Stephen Clyborne

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*

**He's got the whole world in His hands,  
He's got the whole world in His hands,  
He's got the whole world in His hands,  
He's got the whole world in His hands.**

**He's got the whole church in His hands,  
He's got the whole church in His hands,  
He's got the whole church in His hands,  
He's got the whole church in His hands.**

\*POSTLUDE

*Toccata*

Douglas Wagner

\*Congregation will please stand.

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