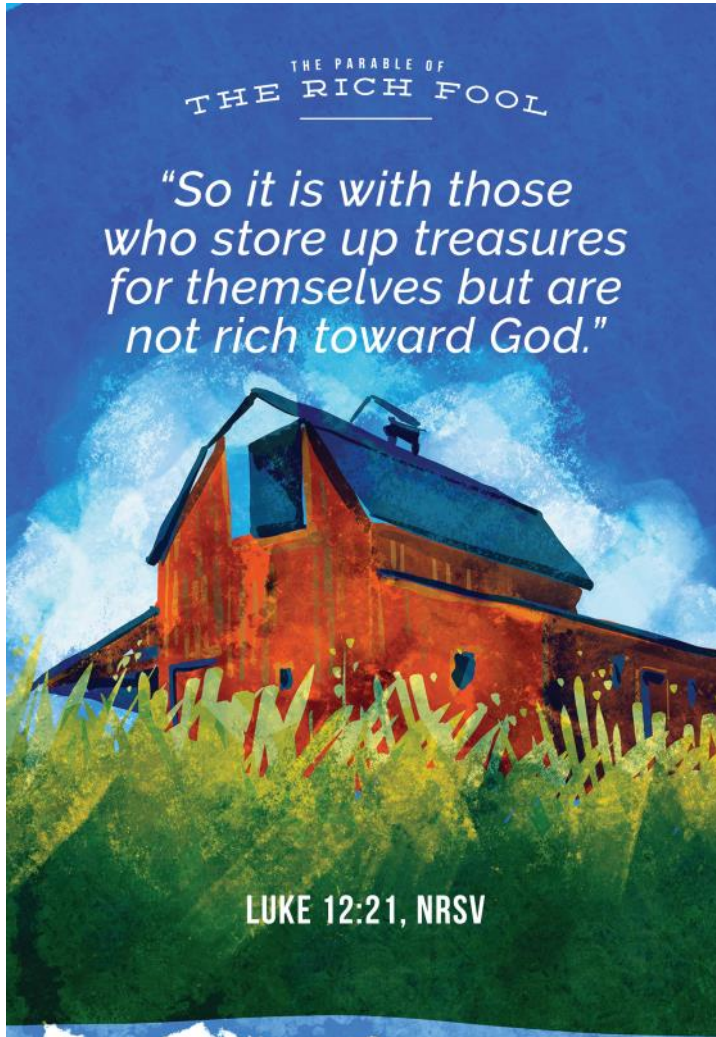


# Barnstorming July 31, 2022



**EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

July 31, 2022

10:00 am

*Welcome! Please participate in as much or as little of the service as you feel comfortable.*

*We love children in worship—their noises and wiggles are welcome, too.  
There are pillows in the front where they can see the instruments and participate fully,  
or the coloring, book, and play area is available in the corner near the windows.  
Their movements back and forth are a joy for all of us.*

**PRELUDE**

Judy Widrig

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Davi Weasley

**RINGING THE BELL**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Sharon Camblin

One Voice: Sometimes our possessions give life: food and art and gear that  
keeps us warm and dry.

**Many Voices: Sometimes our things possess us, guiding our actions  
to wealth and greed**

One Voice: God bless our resources, as we gather them up—

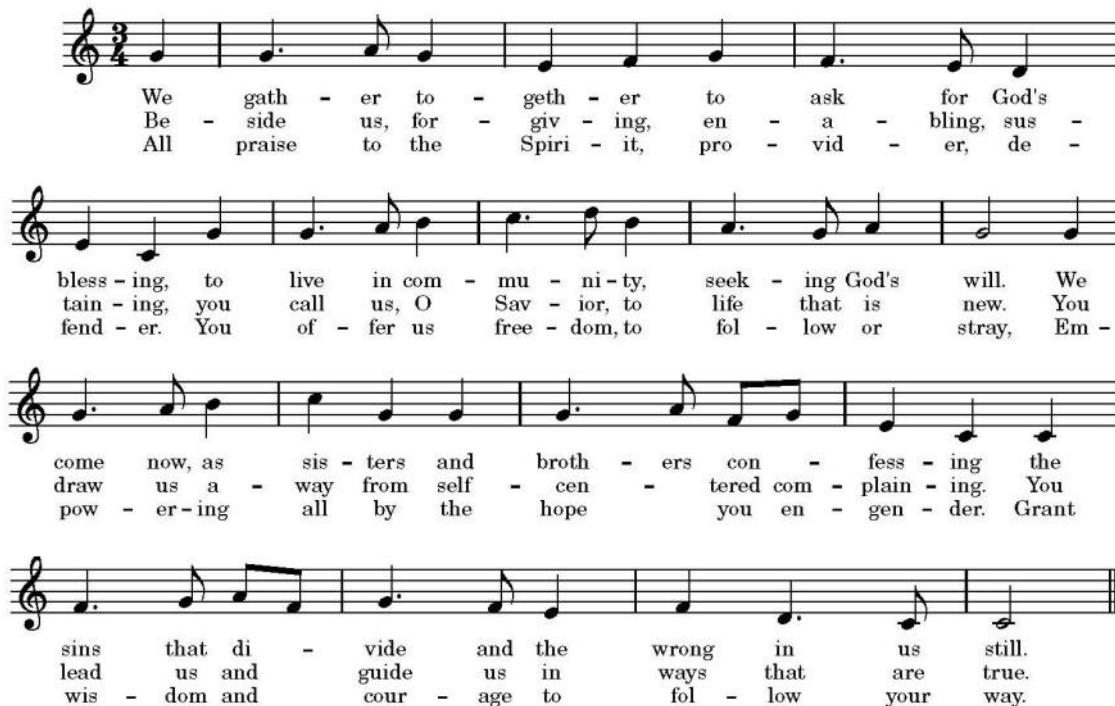
**Many Voices: and bless our resources as you call us to share them,  
scatter them, plant them**

One Voice: When we are troubled by scarcity thinking and fear of failure

**Many Voices: Remind us that you bring true abundance,  
and the only true safety there is.**

One Voice: Lead us, God, in Love.

**Many Voices: Lead us, God, in Love.**



We gath - er to - geth - er to ask for God's  
Be - side us, for - giv - ing, en - a - bling, sus -  
All praise to the Spiri - it, pro - vid - er, de -  
bless - ing, to live in com - mu - ni - ty, seek - ing God's will. We  
tain - ing, you call us, O Sav - ior, to life that is new. You  
fend - er. You of - fer us free - dom, to fol - low or stray, Em -  
come now, as sis - ters and broth - ers con - fess - ing the  
draw us a - way from self - cen - tered com - plain - ing. You  
pow - er - ing all by the hope you en - gen - der. Grant  
sins that di - vide and the wrong in us still.  
lead us and guide us in ways that are true.  
wis - dom and cour - age to fol - low your way.

## \*PASSING THE PEACE

Davi Weasley

*If you're willing, please come to the microphone to offer "peace" to those worshiping online; or you might stay in your seat and type a message into your smartphone to someone at home; or you might wave, bump elbows, or show other signs of peace with others.*

## \*SUNG RESPONSE

"Receive My Peace"

by Rachael Weasley



I do not give as the world gives, A - le - lu - ia! A - le - lu - ia - al!  
I do not give as the world gives, re - ceive my peace.

The Prayer of Jesus

*We invite you to use the language for God that is most comfortable for you:*

*“Our Creator,” “Our Father” or “Our Mother.”*

**Our Creator**

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 and ever. *Amen.*

*If you have a prayer request you'd like to share confidentially with our pastors, have added to the confidential prayer list, or spoken aloud in worship, go to [www.fccb.net/contact-us/](http://www.fccb.net/contact-us/) to send a message or call the church to talk with a pastor.*

SUNG RESPONSE

“Be Now My Vision” alt.

SLANE

Be now my vi - sion, O God of my heart; Make of our  
wand'-rings a dar - ing new start. Teach us to lis - ten and  
teach us to breathe, Trou - ble the Wa - ters; Love, come set us free.

**SUNG RESPONSE**

“I’m Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing”

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of three staves of music. The lyrics are: "I'm gon-na sing\* when the Spir - it says sing, \_\_\_ I'm gon-na sing when the Spir - it says sing, \_\_\_ I'm gon-na sing when the Spir-it says sing, \_\_\_ Oh - sing for the Spir-it of our God. \_\_\_". The asterisk on "sing\*" indicates a specific note value. The score includes a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with some words underlined. There are three measures of music on each staff, with a double bar line at the end of the third measure of each staff.

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**A READING FROM SCRIPTURE**

Luke 12:13-21

Sharon Camblin

New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

**SCRIPTURE RESPONSE**

Sharon Camblin

One: For the Word of God in scripture,  
for the Word of God among us,  
for the Word of God within us:

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

“Barnstorming”

Davi Weasley



1. "If on - ly I had known the  
 2. If on - ly we could see which  
 3. And, too, if we could hear a  
 4. If on - ly we could learn what  
 5. O Christ, if we could know God's



cost of hu - man greed, per - haps I would have  
 bar - gains in the store are made in dis - mal  
 mo - ther's lull - a - by; she's sing - ing now to  
 keeps us want - ing more: we build our big - ger  
 will for all the earth! And yet, by your own



reached out more to those in need.  
 sweat - shops that op - press the poor.  
 calm her hun - gry todd - ler's cry.  
 barns so we'll feel more se - cure.  
 Spir - it, you have shown God's truth:



But now I see the truth a -  
 For each sub - sis - tence wage, each  
 For rich ones came one day, took  
 But you a - lone, O God, give  
 "Do jus - tice, help the poor, share



cross the great di - vide! If on - ly I had  
 ti - ny, cripp - ling stitch, makes wi - der the di -  
 land and wa - ter rights, and left the poor with  
 true se - cur - i - ty; pos - sessed by our pos -  
 life and love and land, and when you see the



known and changed," the rich man cried.  
 vide be - tween the poor and rich.  
 hope - less days and hun - gry nights.  
 ses - sions, we can - not be free.  
 hun - gry, o - pen wide your hand."

**INVITATION TO OFFERING**

Sharon Camblin

*There are several options for giving: 1) Give at our website, <https://fccb.net/giving/>.  
2) .Mail checks to First Congregational Church, 2401 Cornwall Avenue, Bellingham, WA 98225. 3) Use the GivePlus app. Download from your app store, set up an account, and give!  
4) Give by text. Text a dollar amount to 208-516-2657, and set up your account. You're ready for easy giving by text! 5) Give by PayPal. Our easy link is [PayPal.Me/fccbucc](https://www.paypal.com/merchot/?x=1&from=paypal-me&to=paypal.com).*

**Offering Music**

"A Simple Beginning"

Tim & Doug Shepherd

by Tim Shepherd. Used with permission.

**\*BENEDICTION**

Davi Weasley

**POSTLUDE**

Judy Widrig



**Open and Affirming (ONA):** As an Open and Affirming congregation believing in a loving God, all people are welcome in this church without regard to gender, race, ethnicity, economic or social status, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

**We Try To Use Language** which will help people feel included in our worship. Since not everyone is comfortable with the same language, we invite you to amend the words of the service as we sing and pray if they do not adequately express your faith. We invite you to assist us in creating new expressions of our common faith and life together.

**Technical Support:** If you need help streaming our worship services or connecting in other ways, please let us know.

### **APPOINTMENTS WITH PASTORAL STAFF**

Pastoral staff are available by appointment virtually, or in person with masks. Contact them by email or call the pastoral care line, 360-733-4255.

Davi: [davi@fccb.net](mailto:davi@fccb.net)

You can also email our Office Manager Cydne at [office@fccb.net](mailto:office@fccb.net) and she'll pass your message on.

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**LEAD PASTOR: Sharon Benton –  
on sabbatical**

**PASTOR FOR YOUTH, YOUNG ADULTS,  
& MISSION: Davi Weasley**

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**MINISTER OF MUSIC: Lucy Bledig**

**ORGANIST: Judy Widrig**

**ACCOUNTANT: Erin Kennedy**

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**CUSTODIAN/MAINTENANCE: Kurt Aagard**

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**Georgia Drost**

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