

**Welcome to Plymouth First Baptist Church
The Lord's Day, October 25, 2020**

And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us,
fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. Heb. 12:1

11 AM Morning Worship

Prelude B.J. Lyle

Welcome Karen Pruetto

*Call to Worship **Psalm 1:1-6**

LEADER: Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

**PEOPLE: Their delight is in the law of the Lord, and they meditate on his law day
and night.**

LEADER: They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with
leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

PEOPLE: It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

LEADER: Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the
sinner in the council of the righteous.

**PEOPLE: For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is
doomed.**

*Prayer of Invocation Karen Pruetto

*Praise Songs ***"Grace Like Rain"*
*"Give Thanks"***

Children's Sermon Karen Pruetto

*Hymn of Preparation ***"I Know Whom I Have Believed"*** Page 527

Pastoral Prayer Karen Pruetto

Special Music ***"Where Could I Go?"*** B.J. Lyle
Scott Bradshaw

*Scripture **Matthew 22:34-46** Karen Pruetto

*Hymn of Praise ***"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*** Page 11

Introduction of Speaker Karen Pruetto

Ministry in Music ***"Draw Me Close/I Need Thee"***

Message Mary Anne Croom

*Hymn of Dedication ***"At the Cross"*** Page 323

Benediction

***Indicates the congregation should please stand if able**

Jesus Loves the Children

The Gospels present endearing images of Jesus welcoming children. Children were brought to Jesus that He might lay hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked the people. *Jesus does important things*, the disciples must have thought. *Children aren't important!*

Mark explained, "When Jesus saw it, He was indignant". Jesus became angry. Then Jesus spoke against anyone hindering the children from coming to Him. Unlike the disciples, Jesus thought it was important to welcome children. He blessed them and cited them as examples of citizens of the kingdom of heaven. To receive children is to receive Jesus.

Children are totally dependent on adults. They look to them for all their needs to be met. There is a natural innocence in children. There is a trust that, when violated, is the greatest of violations. Children are vulnerable because they are so very dependent. The song is true, "Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world, red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in His sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world." Therefore, we are to do our all to reach and teach them the truths of the gospel of Christ. The children do not belong to the government or any other man made organization. They first and foremost belong to God. As stewards of them, let us do our best to receive them with the same love and compassion of Christ.

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Min. of Children, Youth & Education - Rev. Karen Pruette
Choir Director – Scott Bradshaw; Organist – B.J. Lyle
Deacons of the Month – David Carraway
Office Administrator- Danita Davis

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