

## ORDER OF SERVICE

**First Church Boston**  
**66 Marlborough Street**  
**Boston, MA**  
**Sunday, August 16, 2020, from the Sanctuary**

*Broadcast live, 11:00 am to noon, on WERS, 88.9FM, Vivian Borek, announcer.  
Streamed live on Facebook @firstchurchboston, Craig Hildreth, audio engineer.*

- Prelude** Prelude and Fugue in g# minor, op. 156 Larry Thomas Bell (2019)  
*Larry Bell, pianist*
- Opening Words** from Langston Hughes Rev. Stephen Kendrick
- Hymn # 95** There Is More Love Somewhere BIKO
- Chalice Lighting and Tolling of the Bell** Rev. Kendrick
- Love is the spirit of this church, and Service its law. This is our great covenant, to dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.
- Time for All Ages** Rev. Kendrick
- Responsive Reading # 662** "Strange and Foolish Walls," by A. Powell Davies  
Vivian Borek
- Musical Meditation** "Till There Was You" Meredith Willson, arr. Robert Rund  
*Daniel P. Ryan, soloist*
- Reading** "Words," by Edward Thomas Rev. Kendrick
- Announcements** Rev. Kendrick
- Prayer and Meditation** Rev. Kendrick
- Affirmation # 123** Spirit of Life
- Sermon** "Two Dreams" Rev. Kendrick
- Offertory** "You're Not Alone" Daniel P. Ryan  
*Daniel P. Ryan, solo and accompaniment*

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- Charge** Rev. Kendrick



**Hymn # 308** The Blessings of the Earth and Sky

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The blessing of the earth and sky upon our friendly house do lie.  
The rightness of a master's art has blessed with grace its every part.  
The warmth of many hands is strewn in human blessing on this stone.

The wind upon the lakes and hills performs its native rituals.  
The worship of our human toil brings sacrament from sun and soil.  
With words and music, we, the earth, in nature's wonder seek our worth.

Here we restore ancestral dreams enshrined in floor and wall and beam,  
a monument wherein we build that their high purpose be fulfilled,  
be tool to help our children prove an earth of promise and of love.