

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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*" The Bible is alive, it speaks to me; it has feet, it runs after me;  
it has hands, it lays hold on me"*

- Martin Luther

### GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Paul Simpson Duke

### VOLUNTARY

#### \*INVOCATION

Charise Hastings

#### \*HYMN 598

O Word of God incarnate

*MUNICH*

(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

#### \*THE PSALM

from Psalm 65

Leader: You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it;

People: **The river of God is full of water; you provide its grain, for so you  
have prepared it.**

Leader: You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with  
showers, and blessing its growth.

People: **You crown the year with your bounty.**

Leader: The pastures of the wilderness drip, the hills gird themselves with  
joy,

People: **The meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck  
themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.**

#### \*GLORIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen

#### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 119:105-112

Stacey Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

### ANTHEM

Offertory

- *J.N. Beck*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Paul Simpson Duke

Lord's Prayer ("debts") on hymnal page 896

#### \*GOSPEL READING

Matthew 13:1-9

Charise Hastings

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

### TIME AS CHILDREN

Stacey Simpson Duke

#### \*HYMN 600

Wonderful words of life

*WORDS OF LIFE*

(Preschool – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade may leave for Children's Worship at this time.)

### SERMON

*The Word that Shines*

Stacey Simpson Duke

### SILENT REFLECTION

#### OFFERING OF GIFTS

Savior, Like a Shepherd

- *arr. C. Hansen*

#### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### \*HYMN 599

Break thou the bread of life

*BREAD OF LIFE*

### BENEDICTION

### VOLUNTARY

\* If you are able, please stand

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of Flossy Feiner, mother & grandmother,  
on what would have been her 106th birthday  
~ The Suits Family ~*

*The Prayer Concern Cards are for your use.* If you have a prayer concern in addition to those listed here, please fill out a card and pass it to the end of the aisle during the first hymn. We pray for the family and friends of Paul Dossabhoy who died this week, Dannie Jones, Mary Gregg, Elizabeth Lee, Linda Ames, Wanda Finn, Conrad Juchartz, John Moyer, Bonnie Jensen, Lloyd Crabtree, Marian Carter, Ruth Scott, Mildred MacGregor, Marjorie Shannon, June Ludwig, Blanche Williams and John Caddell.

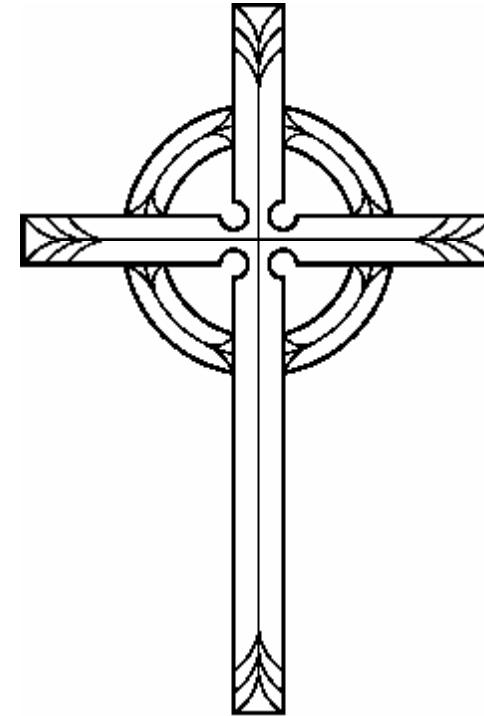
Our choir is going to start its well deserved summer break. Many thanks for their dedication to enhancing our worship experience with great music. Our wonderful organist, Joel Hastings, will also be taking some time off. Talented members of our congregation will be offering their musical gifts each Sunday. Special thanks also goes to John Hummel who has enthusiastically lead our choir since Carole Ott left.

Sue Ellen will be out of the office until July 20th

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

*9th Sunday after Pentecost  
July 13, 2008*

*Please sign the Welcome Pad during the Offertory and pass it down the pew.  
If you are a visitor, please also fill out a yellow "Welcome" slip and place it in the offering plate.*

*~ Please turn off all cell phones and pagers. Thank you. ~*

## Host Families for visiting musicians needed

On July 28-31, 86 young musicians from around the Midwestern United States will be performing at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor as members of the Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp International Youth Symphony Orchestra (IYSO). We are in need of families who are willing to serve as a host family for one or two students (or more, if you are so inclined!).

Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp's International Program, established in 1969, is dedicated to promoting peace and understanding through the universal language of the arts. Since its inception, nearly 30,000 young European, Asian, and American artists have exchanged performances and experienced the love, wonder, and excitement of living with host families in a foreign land. More than 110,000 families in Europe and America have provided generous hospitality for the participants. Countless concert-goers on both continents have also been touched by these goodwill ambassadors.

Details can be found on the information counter.

## Sunday Greeter Sign-up

We are in need of greeters for Sunday worship. Please sign up at the information counter.

Texts for next Sunday, July 20: Genesis 28:10-19a – Psalm 139: 1-12, 23-24 – Romans 8:12-25 – Matthew 13:24-20, 36-43

## Announcements

We warmly welcome all those who have come to worship with us today! Everyone is invited to join the events listed in this insert. Immediately following the service, please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments.

<b>TODAY, July 13</b>	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	11:30 a.m. - Care & Community (Lounge)
	11:30 a.m. - Board of Outreach (Campus Ctr.)
<b>Tuesday, July 15</b>	5:30 p.m. - Vespers (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Sunday, July 20</b>	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Nursery Care is available on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30a.m.

All children are welcome to worship with their families. There is no Children's Worship today so, after the Time as Children portion of the worship service, preschoolers – 6-years old may go to the nursery for childcare. Families should pick up children as soon as worship is completed.

During the month of July there are no church school classes (children, youth or adult).

### Adult Small Groups (ChristCare)

Centered on Bible study, fellowship, mission, prayer and worship, we currently have two groups: one which meets monthly and the other which meets every other week. See Stacey, Paul or Sue Ellen for more information about joining a group.

## The Art Fairs are here!

Starting tomorrow morning, we need almost all parking lot space for the artists and their trucks, trailers and motorhomes. Please do not park in the lot unless you are on church business and then be sure to ask the volunteer where you should park. We always make room for our congregation to park for shopping at the fairs (you will be asked to make a donation, leave your keys and return by 9pm). We still need a few volunteers to supervise the lot. Please sign up at the Information Counter or in the office during the week. You will be helping to raise more than \$2000 for our Youth and our Sister Church in Nandasmo. In addition to our gratitude, volunteers "earn" a *free* half-day parking spot to be used any time during the Fairs!

## Financial statements are ready

Financial statements for the second quarter are available to be picked up throughout the month of July. They can be found on the table near the information counter or in the office during the week.

## Church Picnic

The Church Picnic, with lots of good food, games, fellowship and fun for ALL ages, will be July 27, Noon – 2:00 pm at Allmendinger Park. Chicken and drinks will be provided by the Board of Christian Education. Please sign up at the Information Counter (or in the office during the week) to let us know that you are coming and what pot-luck dish you plan to bring.

## Habitat for Humanity

August 2 will be our FBC workday. We will be working with volunteers from Bethel AME on that day. We will also need volunteers from FBC to provide lunch for workers. If you wish to volunteer, go to the Good News house website:

<http://www.goodnewshouse.org/housevolunteers.cfm>

## Pledge cards for the Youth Minister Financial Campaign are due today

If you have forgotten yours, extras are at the Information Counter. Please turn in your pledge card by giving it to the attendant at the Information Counter, mailing it (attn: Bob Kidd) to the church office, or you may place it in the regular offering.

## Board of Care & Community visits

The Board of Care & Community would like to make sure we are reaching all homebound folks who would like to have visitors. Please let us know if you or someone you know would like to have occasional friendly visits from members of our team. Trained servers are also taking Communion to people on Communion Sunday afternoons. If you have not yet been served and would like to, please call Mary Gregg, 769-3127 or Barb Griffin, 994-3499. We would also like to have more volunteers to serve as friendly visitors.