

ORDER OF WORSHIP

“For life to be full and large it must contain the care of the past and of the future
in every passing moment of the present.”

- Joseph Conrad

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Sue Ellen Glover

VOLUNTARY All Creatures of our God and King - *arr. J. Endean*
Johnson Memorial Handbells

***INVOCATION** Gad Lim

***HYMN 79** (Stanzas 1-4) Holy God, we praise thy name *GROSSER GOTT*
(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

***THE PSALM** Psalm 90:1-4

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

People: Before the mountains were brought forth, before the earth was
formed, from everlasting to everlasting, you are God.

Leader: You turn us back to dust, and say, “Turn back, you mortals.”

People: A thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or
like a watch in the night.

All: Lord, you have been our dwelling palace in all generations.

***GLORIA** (Hymnal, 72)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Paul Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM O How Amiable - *R. Vaughan Williams*

O how amiable are Thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:

My heart and flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her a house,

And the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:

Even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house:

They will be always praising thee.

The glorious Majesty of the Lord our God upon us:

Prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.

O prosper thou our handiwork.

O God, our help in ages past,

Our hope for years to come,

Our shelter from the stormy blast,

And our eternal home.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Paul Simpson Duke

Lord’s Prayer (“debts”) on hymnal page 896

EPISTLE READING 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Gad Lim

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN Sue Ellen Glover

***HYMN 206** I want to walk as a child of the light *HOUSTON*

(Preschool – 3rd grade may leave for Children’s Worship or Tiny Grace Notes at
this time.)

SERMON *Fulfillments Beyond Us* Paul Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS Deep River - *arr. H.T. Burleigh*

Deep river, my home is over Jordan,

Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

Oh don't you want to go to that gospel feast,

That promised land where all is peace?

***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 724** On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand *PROMISED LAND*

BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY

Moto Ostinato

- Petr Eben

* If you are able, please stand

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration of
Jeanette and Geoff Halliday's 10th wedding anniversary
on October 31st.*

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 Lloyd Crabtree, Ruth & Bill Kerr, Helen Foley, Carole Lamerson, Juhn Han, Dannie Jones, Elizabeth Lee, Linda Ames, Conrad Juchartz, John Moyer, Bonnie Jensen, Ruth Kitchen, Marian Carter, Mildred MacGregor, Marjorie Shannon, Blanche Williams and John Caddell.

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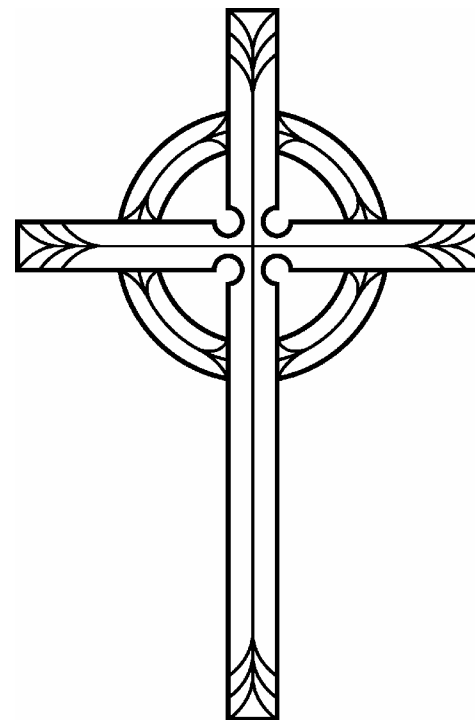
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

24th Sunday after Pentecost

October 26, 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. ~

Communion Servers Needed for November and December. If you can participate in this very special service, please sign up at the information counter. Thank you. -- Board of Worship

New in the Family Resource Center

Take a look at the 50+ new DVD's available for check-out in the Family Resource Center located in the classroom hallway (middle level) and 201A. This Resource Center is sponsored by the Board of Christian Education and maintained through gifts and donations. In addition to all of these new Veggie Tales and NEST Family Education Bible stories, there is a book cart filled with resources for parenting and addressing issues of all stages of family life. There are also many, many children's books with religious themes. All of these may be checked out on a clipboard located on top of the book cart, and returned when you are finished using the materials. We hope you will take advantage of these wonderful resources.

Cooks Needed for The Gathering

Volunteers are needed to cook meals for our campus ministry program, The Gathering. This is a much-appreciated ministry of hospitality for students who are away from home and don't often get a home-cooked meal. Please sign up at the Information Counter and take an instruction sheet with you.

Texts for next Sunday, November 2nd

Revelation 7:9-17 – Psalm 34:1-10, 22 – 1 John 3:1-3 – Matthew 5:1-12

Financial Statements for the 3rd quarter are available to be picked up throughout the month of October. They can be found on the table near the information counter or in the office during the week.

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.

TODAY, Oct 26	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary) 7:00 p.m. - Budget Meeting (Lounge)
Tuesday, Oct 28	9:30 a.m. - ABWM Board Meeting (Lounge) 5:30 p.m. - Vespers (Fellowship Hall) 7:30 p.m. - Executive Council (Lounge)
Wednesday, Oct 29	1:30 p.m. - Bible Study (Lounge) 5:30 p.m. - The Gathering (Campus Center)
Thursday, Oct 30	6:30 p.m. - Handbell rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:30 p.m. - Choir rehearsal (Room 102B)
Sunday, Nov 2	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service – <i>Communion</i> * newsletter deadline*

Nursery Care is available on the 3rd floor from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 a.m.

Children's Music & Arts Ministry (Sunday Mornings)

Jr. Handbells (Room 306).....	9:15 – 9:45
Tiny Grace Notes (Rm. 306).....	10:30 – 10:45
Grace Notes Choir (Room 306).....	12:00 – 12:30
Jr. Choir (Room 102).....	11:50 – 12:30

Children and Youth Christian Education

All children are welcome to worship with their families. After the Time as Children portion of the worship service, preschoolers may go to the nursery for childcare or to Tiny Grace Notes. Children in Kindergarten – 3rd grade are invited to Children's Worship. Church School begins after worship (about 11:00).

Preschool

10:00 – 10:30 Worship
10:30 – 10:45 Tiny Grace Notes
10:50 – 11:00 Children's Worship
11:00 – 12:00 Church School (in K-2nd grade class)
12:00 – 12:30 Childcare in Nursery or Room 202 A & B

K – 2nd grade

10:30 – 11:00 Children's Worship (Room 202A)
11:00 – 12:00 Church School (Room 202B)
12:00 – 12:30 Grace Notes (Room 306)

3rd grade

10:00 – 11:00 Worship
11:00 – 11:50/12:00 Church School (Room 304)
11:50 – 12:30 Jr. Choir (Room 102) or
12:00 – 12:30 Grace Notes (Room 306)

Youth (4th grade – High School)

10:00 – 11:00 Worship
11:15 – 12:30 Youth Worship
11:50 – 12:30 Jr. Choir (Room 102)
or
12:00 – 12:30 Grace Notes (Room 306)

Adult Christian Education 11:30-12:30 (Lounge)

TODAY: Please join us for a discussion of the morning's scriptures and sermon with Pastor Paul Duke.

November 2: Last class for

CELTIC CHRISTIANITY – What does it mean for us today?

Astrid Beck, discussion leader

In the days of early Christianity, in 644, at the Northumbrian Abby of Whitby, northern Christianity came to a crossroad. The Celtic tradition of Iona lost out to the see of Rome. Celtic Christianity was pushed into the background, into the Northern and Western provinces of Scotland, Wales, Ireland, but the Celtic mission, inspired by the Gospel of John, survived and remains an integral and important part of our heritage. Its focus is in seeing the image of God in all of creation, including the human who represents the image of God on earth. This spirituality lends itself to listening for God at the heart of life, experiencing communion with God in nature at the deepest levels. We will study how our Celtic heritage has inspired us in our awareness of God through prayer and by studying related OT and NT biblical passages.

Other Adult Learning Opportunities

Wednesday Bible Study (1:30-2:30; Memorial Lounge) Ron Tipton, Leader

What does it mean to "meditate" on the Scriptures? The first six weeks of the Wednesday Bible Study will be a group meditation on six passages from the Gospel of Luke. We will read the passages not only for information, but also to hear what the words of Scripture are saying to us in particular. With thoughtful reflection, imagination, faith, and open hearts, we will seek personal meaning in the words of Scripture. Join us each Wednesday for fellowship and study.

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.