

ORDER OF WORSHIP

"May God deny you peace, but give you glory!"

- Manuel de Unamuno

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Sue Ellen Glover

VOLUNTARY

Toccatà on "St. Anne"

- Frank Ferko

*INVOCATION

Ashley Kerns

*HYMN 117

O God our help in ages past

ST. ANNE

(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

*THE PSALM

Psalm 19:1-2, 7-8, 12, 14

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; the sky proclaims God's handiwork.

People: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

Leader: The Lord's teaching is perfect, reviving the soul; the Lord's decrees are sure, making wise the simple;

People: the Lord precepts are right, delighting the heart; the Lord's command is clear, enlightening the eyes.

Leader: But who of us can detect our own errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

All: Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

*GLORIA (p. 71)

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

PRESENTATION TO MARLENE CRANDELL FRANCIS

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-17

Ashley Kerns

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

The Heavens are Telling from *The Creation*

- F. J. Haydn

The Heavens are telling the glory of God,
The wonder of his work displays the firmament.

Today that is coming speaks it the day,
The night that is gone to following night.

In all the lands resounds the word,
Never unperceived, ever understood.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Paul Simpson Duke

*EPISTLE READING

Philippians 3:4b-14

Paul Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN

Sue Ellen Glover

*HYMN (see insert)

Higher Ground

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

SERMON

Pressing On

Paul Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

- arr. Moses Hogan

Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit, moving in my heart, I will pray
Yes, ev'ry time I feel the Spirit, moving in my heart, I will pray.

On the mountain, my Lord spoke, out His mouth cam fire and smoke.
Down in the valley, on my knees, asked my Lord have mercy please. (Refrain)

Jordon river, chilly and cold, chills the body not the soul.
All around me, looked so fine, asked my Lord if all was mine. (Refrain)

Ain't but one train on this track, runs to heaven and right back.
St. Peter waitin' at the gate, said come on sinner, don't be late. (Refrain)

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Confession and the Lord's Prayer ("debts")

(Lord's Prayer on hymnal page 896)

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

The Bread and the Cup

Prayer after Communion

*HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP
(PG. 557)

Blest be the tie that binds
(1ST stanza)

DENNIS

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

WELCOME OF CAREY GARDINER MACK

BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY "Little" Prelude and Fugue in F - J.S. Bach

* If you are able, please stand

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory
of Marie Johnson Scott, mother, from son Thomas Scott*

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, Helen Foley, Carole Lamerson, Juhn Han, Dannie Jones, Elizabeth Lee, Linda Ames, Conrad Juchartz, John Moyer, Bonnie Jensen, Jim Martin, Ruth Kitchen, Marian Carter, Ruth Scott, Mildred MacGregor, Marjorie Shannon, June Ludwig, Blanche Williams and John Caddell.

Today's Fellowship Offering will go towards the World Mission Offering. Please give generously.

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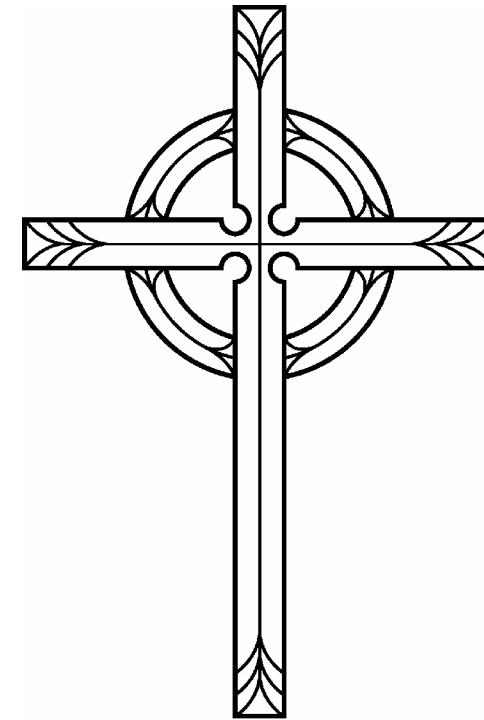
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

*21st Sunday After Pentecost
October 5, 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. ~

Celebrating Kalamazoo College History

Alumni and friends of Kalamazoo College are invited to a presentation this evening on the College's history, from its beginnings as a frontier academy, to its brief role as a Branch of the University of Michigan, to its growth and change through 175 years to become a nationally recognized liberal arts college. Marlene Crandell Francis will be discussing and showing pictures from her recently completed comprehensive history, A Fellowship in Learning: Kalamazoo College 1833-2008. Copies of the book will be available at the meeting. Presentation at 7:00 p.m. followed by discussion and dessert reception. (Please sign up at the Information Counter.) Childcare will be available.

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, October 12th

Exodus 32:1-14 – Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 – Philippians 4:1-9 –
Matthew 22:1-14

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 5	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Tuesday, Oct 7	5:30 p.m. - Vespers (Fellowship Hall) 7:00 p.m. - Board of Worship (Conf room)
Wednesday, Oct.8	1:30 p.m. - Bible Study (Lounge) 5:30 p.m. - The Gathering (Campus Center) 7:30 p.m. - Davis/Diels ChristCare (Davis/Diels home)
Thursday, Oct. 9	6:30 p.m. - Handbell rehearsal (Sanctuary) 7:30 p.m. - Choir rehearsal (Room 102B)
Sunday, Oct. 12	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Annual Celebration of Care

Next Sunday, Oct. 12 is the date for our **Annual Celebration of Care**. Following another challenging Chili Cook-Off luncheon (corn chowder will also be available), we'll review the programs that the Board of Care and Community has initiated in the last year and talk about new programs that this board and other groups have planned for the future. Think about how our church can become a better caring community and bring your suggestions. New members and recent visitors are especially invited. Sign up at the information counter and note your need for child care.

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

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- 6th grades

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 (7th – High School)

10:00 – 11:00 Worship
11:15 – 12:30 Church School (Room 107)
11:50 – 12:30 Jr. Choir (Room 102)

Children's Music & Arts Ministry (Sunday Mornings)

These groups meet each Sunday for rehearsal.

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

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

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 express this emphasis in our worship service, in our hymns, in our prayers, without being keenly aware of it. William Sloane Coffin expressed it, when he said, "When you're grateful for the undeserved beauty of a cloudless sky, you're praying." We sing it in our hymn: And God will raise you up on Eagles' wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand. Or: How beautiful are the feet of him who brings...peace...good tidings...salvation. (Isa 52:7, Rom 10:15) In this sequence, 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.