

ORDER OF WORSHIP

"The rules do not change in frightening times; they just get clearer. The proper response is to keep loving God and our neighbors as ourselves."

- Barbara Brown

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Paul Simpson Duke

VOLUNTARY Pastorale "Tenderly he shields and spares us" *Emily Maxson Porter*

*INVOCATION

Cindy Harrison

***HYMN 66** Praise my soul the King of heaven *LAUDA ANIMA*
(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

***THE PSALM** Psalm 24:1, 3-6

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.

People: The world and all that dwells in it belongs to God.

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? Who shall stand in God's holy place?

People: Those with clean hands and a pure heart, who do not reach for worthless things, who do not speak deceitfully.

Leader: These will receive blessing from the Lord, and vindication from the God who saves them.

All: Such is the company of those who look for the Lord, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

***GLORIA** (Hymnal, 72)

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria! Alleluia! Alleluia! (sung twice)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Paul Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

For all the saints

- *R. Vaughan Williams*

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sue Ellen Glover

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

*GOSPEL READING

Matthew 22:34-40

Cindy Harrison

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN

Sue Ellen Glover

*HYMN 121

There's a wideness in God's mercy

WELLESLEY

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

SERMON

If God is One

Paul Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS

God be in my head

- *John Rutter*

God be in my head and in my understanding
God be in mine eyes and in my looking
God be in my mouth and in my speaking

God be in my heart and in my thinking
God be at my end and in my departing.

***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 577** God of grace and God of glory *CWM RHONDDA*

BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY Pièce pour Grand Orgue - *Joseph Jongen*

* If you are able, please stand

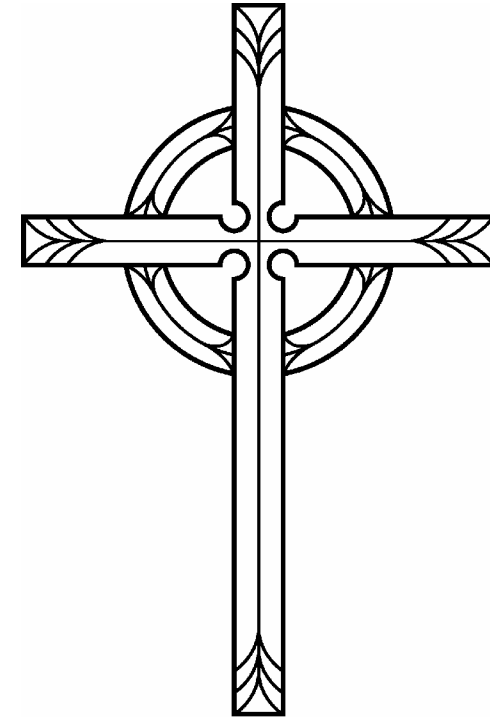
*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory
of the Vary girls, Gladys Vary Eggleton and Lena Vary Lewis, best known to those
whose lives they touched as Grandma Sunshine and Aunt Lena.*

*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,
Bonnie Bates, 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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THE WORSHIP OF GOD



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

*26th Sunday after Pentecost
November 9, 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. ~

Texts for next Sunday, November 16th

Judges 4:1-7 – Psalm 123 – 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 – Matthew 25:14-30

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.

The FBC Ladies Book Club

The group will be discussing "The Undertaking" by Thomas Lynch this Tuesday, November 11th, at 7 pm. We will meet at Barb Griffin's house. All church ladies are welcome! Please contact Janice Stumpf at 663-4871 or jlstumpf@umich.edu for further information.

Communion Servers Needed

We are looking for communion servers for the month of December. If you can participate in this very special service, please sign up at the information counter. Thank you. -- Board of Worship

Youth Collecting Warm Clothing

The Youth are collecting warm clothing for our Vespers guests and others in need. A basket will be out for the next several Sundays for your donations. Socks, hats, gloves, mittens, long-underwear and any other warm clothing will be greatly appreciated.

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, Nov 9 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 1:30 p.m. - Morikawa Conference (Rackham Bldg)
- Monday, Nov 10 5:30 p.m. - Morikawa Conference (Fellowship Hall)
- Tuesday, Nov 11 5:00 p.m. - Nandasm Task Force (Conf. room)
- 5:30 p.m. - Vespers (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00 p.m. - Board of Worship (Conf. room)
- Wednesday, Nov 12 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, Nov 13 6:30 p.m. - Handbell rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 7:30 p.m. - Choir rehearsal (Room 102B)
- Sunday, Nov 16 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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 – 1230

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 grade – High School)

10:00 – 11:00 Worship
11:15 – 12:30 Youth Worship

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

Sermon Discussion Pastor Paul Duke, leader

Please join us for a discussion of the morning's scriptures and sermon.

Other Adult Learning Opportunities

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

The Wednesday Bible Study for Nov. 12 will focus on The Parable of Great Banquet found in Luke 14:1-24. In this story those invited to a great banquet found many excuses for being unable to attend. In our discussion we will have to ask, "What are our excuses?" Join us each Wednesday for fellowship and study. (Coffee and snacks are served)

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.

Fundraising Pledge Campaign 2009

On Sunday, November 16, we will announce the beginning of the Fundraising Pledge Campaign for 2009. We will state the goal of the campaign and, that Sunday and over the next few weeks through the end of December, ask that friends and members of First Baptist commit themselves to make a pledge to the campaign. Our economy is going through turbulent times right now. And we are all affected. At times like this we are led to think seriously on what is most important to us. As you consider your pledge commitment for 2009, therefore, please give much thought to the importance of First Baptist in your life and in the lives of those whom we serve. Thank you.

-- David Cave, Chair