

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP Sue Ellen Glover

VOLUNTARY Prelude II - *F. Mendelssohn*

*INVOCATION Greg Cartee

*HYMN 57 O for a thousand tongues to sing *AZMON*
(Stanzas 1-5)
(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

*THE PSALM Psalm 139:7-10

Leader: Where can I go from your Spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

People: If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

All: If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.

*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 Exodus 3:13-15 Rev. Manuel Ruiz

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM *In the Joyful Celebration/Nicaraguan Folk Tune - arr. G. Allen*
Christina Alaniz, Marissa Alaniz, Jackie Snyder, voice
Rev. Manuel Ruiz, guitar

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sue Ellen Glover

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

EPISTLE READING

Philippians 2:5-11

Greg Cartee

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN

Rev. Manuel Ruiz & Sue Ellen Glover

*HYMN

How great Thou art

HOW GREAT THOU ART

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

SERMON

Como Tener Una Verdadera Relacion con Dios
(Having a Real Relationship with God)

Rev. Manuel Ruiz

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS

El Señor Es Mi Rey

- *Christian ballad*
Rev. Manuel Ruiz, guitar

*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 454

Open my eyes, that I may see

OPEN MY EYES

BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY

Postlude

- *A. Guilman*

* If you are able, please stand

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
and in celebration of Kathryn Gregg's birthday on July 25th
~ Ron and Mary Gregg ~*

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 Dannie Jones, 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.

We welcome Pastor Manuel Ruiz back to our pulpit today. He is the pastor of our sister church in Nandasmo, Nicaragua, and is in Ann Arbor for most of the summer. We are grateful for all the ways that he and his congregation are partners with us in ministry.

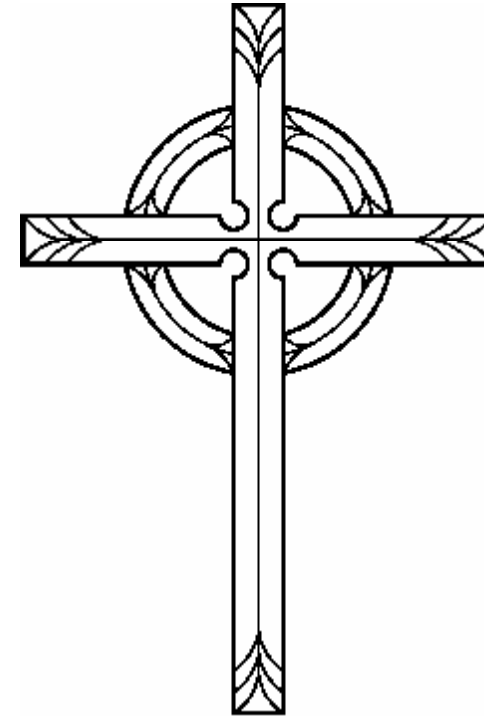
Special thanks to David Cave for sharing his talents as translator with us this morning.

We welcome Sarah Albright to the organ this morning. Sarah has recently retired as music director of the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Ann Arbor where she served for twenty-two years. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us.

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

*11th Sunday after Pentecost
July 27, 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. ~

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, July 27	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Monday, July 28	5:30 p.m. - Board of Christian Education (Conf room)
Tuesday, July 29	5:30 p.m. - Vespers (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday, Aug 3	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service – <i>communion</i> Rev. Ron Tipton, guest preacher

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

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 and children in Kindergarten – 3rd grade are invited to Children's Worship in Room 202A. Parents should pick children up from the nursery or from Children's Worship as soon as worship is completed.

During the month of July there are no church school classes (children, youth or adult) after worship. Classes for all ages resume next week.

(starting next week)

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

The Life of Meaning: Reflections on Faith, Doubt, and Repairing the World

We will be discussing essays from this book edited and compiled by Bob Abernathy and William Bole with the contributors to PBS's *Religion and Ethics NewsWeekly*. Copies of the essays will be available at the Information Counter before each Sunday's discussion.

On August 3, Mary Davis will lead discussion about these three essays:

- *The Measure of Diversity* by Harvard professor Diana Eck
- *The Only Way to Heaven* by Rev. James Merrit, past president of the Southern Baptist Convention
- *Is Every Truth True?* By Robert Wuthnow, sociologist of religion at Princeton

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 FBC Church Picnic is Today! The Church Picnic, with lots of good food, games, fellowship and fun for ALL ages, is TODAY from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm at Allmendinger Park. Chicken and drinks will be provided by the Board of Christian Education. Please bring a dish to pass, your own table setting (extras will be available), blankets or folding chairs, and equipment for any ball game you'd like to play. Maps to the park are available at the Information Counter.

FBC Habitat for Humanity workday is this coming

Saturday, August 2nd We will be working with volunteers from Manchester United Methodist Church 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>

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.