

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*"The 'heart' in the biblical sense is not the inward life,
but the whole person in relation to God."*

- *Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP Stacey Simpson Duke

PRELUDE How Fair And How Pleasant Art Thou - *Marcel Dupre*

***INVOCATION** Maryann Bowen

***HYMN 103** Immortal, invisible, God only wise *ST DENIO*
(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

***THE PSALM** Psalm 133

Leader: How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

People: It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.

Leader: It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.

People: For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

***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 Genesis 45:1-15 Maryann Bowen

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM My Lord, What a Morning - *Arr. Jay Althouse*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Stacey Simpson Duke
Lord's Prayer ("debts") on hymnal page 896

***GOSPEL READING** Matthew 15:10-28 Stacey Simpson Duke
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN Toni Burton

***HYMN 402** Lord, I want to be a Christian *I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN*
(Preschool – 3rd grade may leave for Children's Worship at this time.)

SERMON *The Doors of the Heart* Stacey Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS Climbin' Up the Mountain - *Arr. Patsy Ford Simms*

***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 463** Lord, speak to me *CANONBURY*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Invocation, from "A Song to David" - *William Albright*

* If you are able, please stand

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
and in appreciation of our church family*

~ The Alaniz 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 Juhn Han (the Blunt's son-in-law), 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.

Paul is preaching today at Myers Park Baptist Church in Charlotte, North Carolina. He will be back in the office tomorrow.

We welcome Sarah Albright back to the organ this morning. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us.

Special thanks to Lucy Thompson for adding her beautiful voice to our worship this morning.

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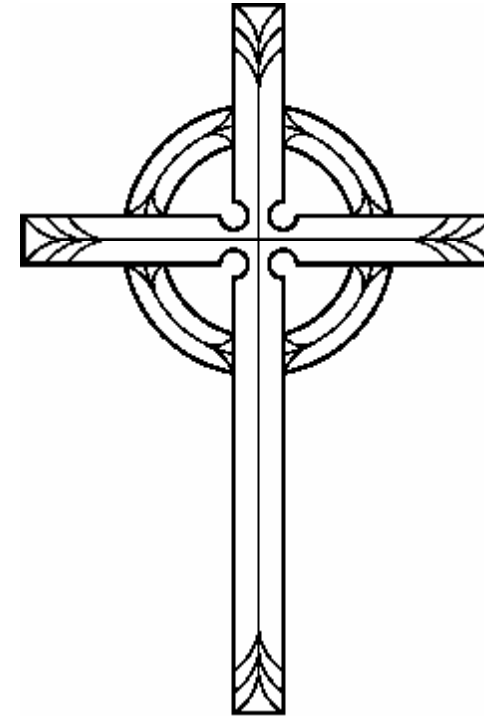
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

14th Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 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, August 24th

Exodus 1:8-2:10 – Psalm 124 – Romans 12:1-8 – Matthew 16:13-20

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.

A BWM Soup label drive

The ABW Ministries continues to collect the Campbell Soup UPC or Barcode off the soup labels. It is no longer necessary to bring in the front of the label – just the UPC or bar code. There is a small white box on the information counter. The labels are redeemed and the funds go towards the many ABW projects.

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, August 17 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Monday, August 18 7:00 p.m. - Board of Outreach (Conf. room)

Tuesday, August 19 5:30 p.m. - Vespers (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, August 24 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

* newsletter deadline*

Nursery Care is available on the 3rd floor from 9:30 - 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. Children in Kindergarten – 3rd grade are invited to Children's Worship.

August Church School (K-4th grade)

(Middle School and High School Youth as teacher's assistants):

10:00 – 10:30 Worship

10:30 – 11:00 Children's Worship (Room 202A)

11:00 – 12:30 Church School (Room 202 A&B, 201 A&B)

Children's Music & Arts Ministry will resume in the fall with Jr. Handbells and three choirs, all rehearsing on Sunday mornings.

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

Today, August 17, Pastor Manuel will present updates on our Sister Church, the school and the farm in Nandasmo

August 24:

This will be our last session using the book *The Life of Meaning: Reflections on Faith, Doubt, and Repairing the World* edited and compiled by Bob Abernathy and William Bole with the contributors to PBS's *Religion and Ethics NewsWeekly*. Copies of these essays are available today at the Information Counter.

David Cave will lead discussion about:

- *Exploring the Spiritual Crisis of Modern Medicine* by Rachel Remen, MD
- *Waltzing with the God of Chaos* by The Rev. Barbara Brown Taylor
- *We're Spiritual and Religious* by Rev. Tilden Edwards and Tina Brown
- *Raging against Boredom* by Rev. William Sloane Coffin

There are no church school classes on August 31st (Labor Day Weekend)

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.

FBC Ice Cream Social

The annual Ice Cream Social, sponsored by the Board of Christian Education, will be held on Sunday, September 7th, after worship. Donations of food and baked goodies are very appreciated. Please see the sign-up on the Information Counter.

The FBC Ladies Book Club

The FBC Ladies Book Club will meet this coming Wednesday, August 20th at 7 pm to discuss Barbara Kingsolver's "Prodigal Summer". We will meet at Janice Stumpf's house, 715 Braeside Place. New attendees are always welcome! Please contact Janice at 663-4871 or jlstumpf@umich.edu for further information.

Address change postcards available

If you receive mail at the church, we have cards ready to send to vendors and contacts, notifying them of the change of mailing address. The cards can be picked up in the office.