

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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*"The world is but an altar. We do not sacrifice.  
We are the sacrifice."*

- Abraham Joshua Heschel

### GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Sue Ellen Glover

### VOLUNTARY

Andante

- Louis Lefébure-Wély

### \*INVOCATION

Janet Tarry

### \*HYMN 154

All hail the power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION

(Stanzas 1-4,6)

(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

### \*THE PSALM

Psalms 116:12-13, 16-18

Leader: What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?

People: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord; I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of the people.

Leader: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones.

People: O Lord I am your servant; you have loosed my bonds.

Leader: I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord.

All: I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of the people.

### \*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

### EPISTLE READING

Romans 12:1-3

Janet Tarry

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

### ANTHEM

"How Beautiful are the Feet" from *The Messiah*

- G.F. Handel

Samuel Kidd, soloist

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sue Ellen Glover

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

### \*GOSPEL READING

Matthew 16:13-20

Janet Tarry

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

### TIME AS CHILDREN

Sue Ellen Glover

### \*HYMN 452

My faith looks up to thee

OLIVET

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

### SERMON

*Living Sacrifice*

Paul Simpson Duke

### SILENT REFLECTION

### OFFERING OF GIFTS

"Domine Deus" from *Gloria*

-A. Vivaldi

Bonnie Kidd, soloist

### \*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 (see insert)

Take my life and let it be consecrated

HENDON

### BENEDICTION

### VOLUNTARY

Toccata

- Georgi Mushel

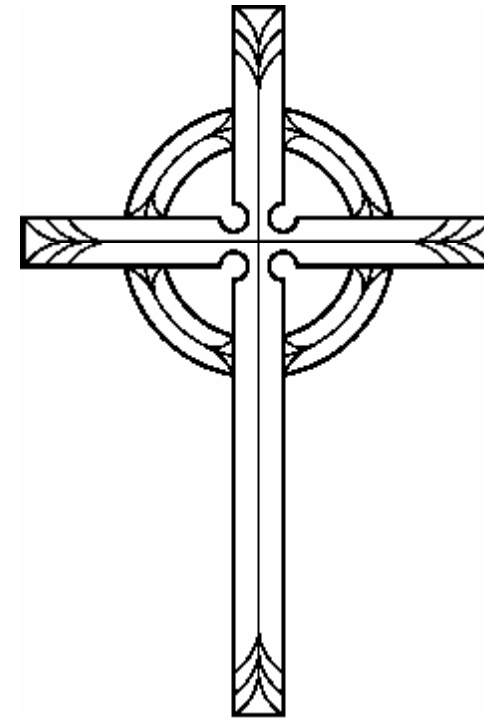
\* If you are able, please stand

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God  
in honor of Keira McDonald's, great granddaughter of  
Jim and Jerry Suits, first birthday.  
~ The Suits 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, Dannie Jones, Elizabeth Lee, Linda Ames, Conrad Juchartz, John Moyer, Bonnie Jensen, Lloyd Crabtree, Marian Carter, Ruth Scott, Mildred MacGregor, Marjorie Shannon, June Ludwig, Blanche Williams and John Caddell.

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



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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

*15th Sunday after Pentecost  
August 24, 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 31st

Exodus 3:1-15 – Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c – Romans 12:9-21 – Matthew 16:21-28

## ABW 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.

## 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.

## 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.

## **A n n o u n c e m e n t s**

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.

<b>TODAY, August 24</b>	10:00 a.m.	-	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Monday, August 25	7:00 p.m.	-	Board of Outreach (Conf. room)
Tuesday, August 27	5:30 p.m.	-	Vespers (Fellowship Hall)
	7:30 p.m.	-	Executive Council (Lounge)
Sunday, August 31	10:00 a.m.	-	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Monday, Sept 1	Labor Day	-	Church building & office closed

Nursery Care is available on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited to Children's Worship.

### August Church School (K-4th grade)

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)

*TODAY: Pastor Manuel and Toni Burton will meet with all Youth (5th – high school) and their parents about an upcoming trip to Nandasma. If you are interested in joining the group going to Nicaragua – or just want to hear information to consider for a later time – please join them in the Youth Room (107) after worship.*

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

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

Today is 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

**No Second Hour classes next week, August 31, due to the holiday weekend**

**Wednesday Bible Study** will resume on September 17 with Ron Tipton as the leader during the Fall term. The group meets on Wednesdays from 1:30 - 2:30 PM. As usual, the first session (on the 17th) will be a potluck meal at the church 1:30 PM. We hope that all the "old" group members will return, and we also hope to see some new faces this year. If you are available on Wednesday afternoons please come and join in the fellowship and discussions.

### **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.

### **Scriptural Reasoning**

You are invited this Thursday night, August 28, to an interfaith "Scriptural Reasoning Event," in which speakers from Muslim, Jewish, and Christian faiths speak on the topic: "This World and the World to Come: How Our Faiths Balance the Present and the Future." Comparisons will be made of how each faith values life in this world in relation to our beliefs about existence beyond death. Paul Duke will be the presenter of Christian perspectives. A religiously diverse audience will be present. Small-group and large-group discussions will follow the presentations; a meal will precede the presentations. The event will begin at 6:30, and will take place at Temple Beth-Emeth / St. Clare's Episcopal Church (2309 Packard).