

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP Stacey Simpson Duke

PRELUDE Vocalise for Cello and Piano -- *Sergei Rachmaninoff*
Madeline Huberth, cello & Brandon Straub, piano

***INVOCATION** Julien Heidt

***HYMN 185** When morning gilds the skies *LAUDES DOMINI*
(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

***RESPONSIVE READING** from 1 Samuel 2:1-8 (the song of Hannah)

Leader: My heart exults in the Lord; my strength is exalted in my God. There is no rock like our God.

People: Talk no more so very proudly, nor let arrogance come from your mouth; for the Lord is a God of knowledge, who weighs us by our actions.

Leader: The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble put on strength..

People: The Lord raises up the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap to give them a seat of honor.

All: My heart exults in the Lord. There is no Rock like our God.

***GLORIA** (Hymnal, 72)

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

WORDS ABOUT OUR STEWARDSHIP Sarah Heidt

SPECIAL MUSIC This Little Light of Mine -- arr. Ken Berg Jr. Choir
Randy Faber, piano and Madeline Huberth, cello

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.
All through the night, I'm gonna let it shine.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 103:8-14 Julien Heidt

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM O be joyful in the Lord -- *Gilbert Martin*

O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands:

serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before His presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord He is God;

it is He that hath made us and not we ourselves;
we are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

O go your way into His gates with thanksgiving,
and into His courts with praise;

be thankful to Him and speak good of His name.

For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting;
and His truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father; glory be to the Son; glory be to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Stacey Simpson Duke

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING Hebrews 10:11-14,19-25 Paul Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN Sue Ellen Glover

***HYMN 472** Near to the Heart of God *MCAFFEE*
(Preschool – 3rd grade may leave for Children's Worship at this time.)

SERMON *Provoke Me, Please* Paul Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS Jesus, the very thought of thee -- *Glenn Rudolph*

Jesus, the very thought of thee
with sweetness fills the breast;
but sweeter far thy face to see,
and in thy presence rest.

Jesus, our only joy be thou
as thou our prize wilt be;
in thee be all our glory now,
and through eternity.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame,
nor can the memory find,
a sweeter sound than Jesus' name,
the Savior of mankind.

***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 206** I want to walk as a child of the light *HOUSTON*

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Fugue in G Major (Gigue) -- *J.S. Bach*

* If you are able, please stand

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Joe Suits on his 21st birthday.*

~ The Grabb/Suits Family ~

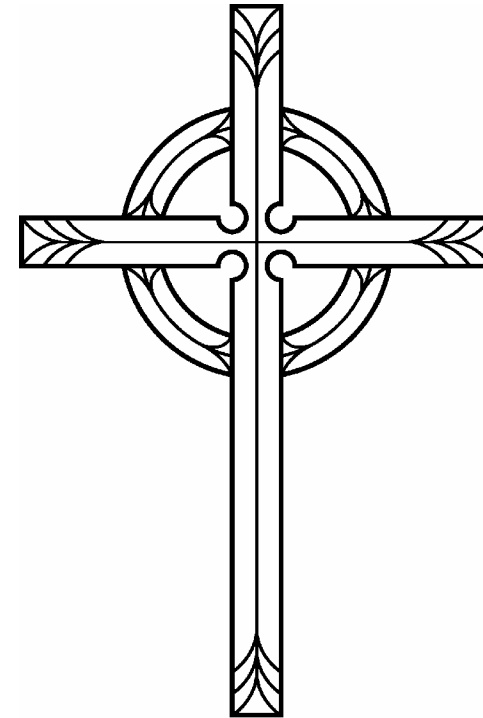
The Prayer Concern Cards are for your use. If you have a prayer concern in addition to those listed here, please fill out a card and pass it to the end of the aisle during the first hymn. We pray for John Moyer, Marilyn Doty, Bill Kerr, Ruth Loring, Elizabeth Lee, Conrad Juchartz, Bonnie Jensen, Alice Weaver, Mildred MacGregor, Marjorie Shannon, Dottie Casler, June Ludwig and Ethan Wright.

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

*24th Sunday after Pentecost
November 15, 2009*

*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. ~

Alternative Fair Concessions The Youth are sponsoring a food concession at the Alternative Fair, with all profits donated to our Sister Church in Nandasmoo. Your donations of food will help keep our expenses low so we have more to donate. Please sign up at the Information Counter and bring your food in by December 6.

Report Available A preliminary report from the homeless review task force is now available. All congregation members are urged to review this important report with care. The report has already been sent by e-mail through the "e-Connection." If you have not received it, you may pick up a copy today at the information counter. The report can also be mailed to anyone who requests a copy.

Members of the task force have been contacting individual members of the congregation to ascertain their views about the pavilion and our ministry to the homeless. We started with members of church boards, but every member of the congregation is invited to share reactions. Copies of a questionnaire about the report are available at the information counter for anyone who has not yet been contacted. Today, November 15, is the deadline for turning in responses to the questionnaire. -- Marlene Francis, moderator

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.

Choir Concert Today at 2:00pm at Huron Hills Baptist Church. The concert will feature the University of Michigan Arts Chorale and the choirs of Huron Hills Baptist Church and First Baptist Church, directed by Mark Marotto and Brandon Straub. The program will feature a variety of sacred and secular works, including the music of Mendelssohn, Handel, Haydn, Whitacre, and Dickau. (3150 Glazier Way, Ann Arbor 734-769-6299)

Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration On Sunday, Nov 22, at 7pm the 15th annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration will be held at Zen Buddhist Temple (1214 Packard Rd). You are cordially invited. Please bring a thanksgiving gift of food and/or turkey money to be shared with those in need in our community.

Communion Servers needed! We need your help! There are openings available for the Dec 6th communion service. If you are able to help out with this important part of the worship service, please sign up at the information desk. 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, Nov 15	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Tuesday, Nov 17	5:30 p.m. - Vespers (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 p.m. - Board of Worship (Room 201B)
	7:30 p.m. - Board of Trustees (Conference Room)
Wednesday, Nov 18	1:30 p.m. - Bible Study (Lounge)
	5:30 p.m. - The Gathering (Campus Center)
Thursday, Nov 19	1:00 p.m. - ABWM Joint Meeting of Circles (Lounge)
	6:30 p.m. - Handbell Rehearsal (Handbell Room)
	7:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal (Room 102B)
Sunday, Nov 22	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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

Pledge Drive 2010 Pledge cards for the 2010 Pledge Campaign should be arriving in your mail, and are now available at the Information counter. This is a critical year for our pledge campaign, as we will have to recover roughly \$15,000 in lost pledges from 2009, due to changes in our membership. Your pledge is vital, therefore. Thank you for your gift and for your pledge. Though we may be small, our resolve and our faith make us large. With gratitude, -- David Cave, Chair, 2010 Pledge Drive

Food Collection The Boards of Christian Education and Mission Action are sponsoring food drive for our friends at Hikone housing in response to last Sunday's Ann Arbor.Com article about Ann Arbor's Hidden Poor. The Christmas holiday break is very tough on low income children – they are not in school so they do not receive their free lunches and breakfasts, the Community Center is not open, Food Gatherers does not deliver, and the food stamps are running out because it's the end of the month. Please help us gather a truck-load of food starting this week through December 20. We are looking especially for kid-friendly non-perishable food such as macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, cereal, soup, oatmeal packets, juice/milk boxes, plastic containers of juice, tuna, canned pasta, breakfast granola bars, fruit cups and cans, etc. We will also accept monetary donations which will be used to purchase milk and bread on the day of the delivery.

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 and children in Kindergarten – 3rd grade are invited to Children’s Worship.

K – 2nd^h grade

10:30 – 11:10 Children’s Worship (Room 202A)
11:10 – 11:30 Children’s Choirs (Rooms 202A)
11:30 – 12:30 Church School (Room 202B)

3rd – 6th grades

10:00 – 11:00 Worship
11:10 – 11:50 Children’s Choirs (Rooms 202A & 102)
11:50 – 12:30 Church School (Room 201B)

Youth (7th – High School)

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

Children’s Music & Arts Ministry

Jr. Handbells.....9:15 – 9:45 (Room 306)
Children’s Choirs (all ages)....11:10 – 11:30 (Room 202A)
Older Choir will continue until 11:50 (Room 102)

Adult Christian Education (11:30 – 12:30)

Ideas and New Opportunities for Advancing Israeli-Palestinian Peace (Lounge)

Aaron Ahuvia, Aura Ahuvia and Ron Gregg and others from Ann Arbor’s Brit Tzedek v’Shalom recently attended a conference in Washington DC on Middle East peace sponsored by J Street, a group that was founded only last year as a pro-Israel, pro- peace group that supports the two state solution, with a viable independent Palestinian state living in peace side-by-side a secure Israel. President Obama has said the U.S. cannot achieve its strategic interests with Muslim and Arab countries as long as the Arab-Israeli conflict continues. He has tried to influence Israel to stop expanding settlements, Palestinians to join in peace talks, and Arab countries to begin to normalize relations with Israel, to no avail. Peace is in everyone’s best interests but there is no progress. Come to hear new ideas about what Americans can do to improve things?

Young Adult Class Room 108

This class consists of conversational Bible study and is devoting its first months to discussing the letter to the Philippians and its application to our living. “Young adult” is defined as mid-twenties to 40(ish!). (Paul and Stacey Simpson Duke, facilitators)

Other Adult Learning Opportunities

Wednesday Bible Study (Memorial Lounge, 1:30 – 2:30)

First Corinthians is the study material for the Wednesday Bible Study class meeting this Fall with the leadership of Ron Tipton. Because Paul often discusses the same topic in different sections of the letter we are studying the letter by topics rather than a verse-by-verse study. On November 18 we will look at Paul’s discussion of “practical problems” in Chapters 8 and 9. On December 2, we’ll discuss “wisdom and folly” which are included in Chapters 1 and 3. (The group will not meet on Nov 25th)

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.

Warm Clothing Collection The children in the Kindergarten – sixth grade church school classes are collecting warm clothing for our friends at Vespers. Hats, gloves, socks, scarves and long underwear are especially needed as are your gently used coats. Other items such as toiletries and individual tissue packs are also appreciated. Please bring your donations to the basket near the Information Counter.

Calendar Sale Once again, the children (K-6th grade) are selling calendars to raise scholarship money for students to attend our Sister Church’s school in Nandasmo, Nicaragua. We know you get many free calendars in the mail but these are heavy-weight, beautifully photographed calendars which have a great surface for writing down your appointments and activities. Plus there are scriptures for inspiration each time you glance at the calendar during your busy schedule! At \$8 they are a real deal compared to other heavy-weight calendars found in stores and these calendars make great gifts! The children will sell them before and after worship, or you may contact Sue Ellen and she will mail you one (or two or three).

Decorating the Sanctuary for Advent All ages are invited to join in a “decorating party” on Saturday morning, November 28, 9:00 am, to prepare the sanctuary for Advent and Christmas. Please let Sue Ellen know if you are planning to come (gloverse@hotmail.com or call the church office).

Flu Prevention We shake a lot of hands on Sundays! Let’s work to prevent the spread of the flu in the congregation. Information sheets regarding flu prevention can be found at the Information Desk on Sunday or in the office Mon-Friday. Hand sanitizer is available at both entrances to the sanctuary, Information Desk, on the tables in the classroom wing and in the Fellowship Hall.

Readings for next Sunday, November 22

2 Samuel 23:1-7 – Psalm 132:1-12 – Revelation 1:4 b-8 – John 18:33-37