

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Paul Simpson Duke

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord.

People: We worship with gladness; we come singing.

Leader: Enter with thanksgiving, find yourselves at home, speak your praise.

People: We give our thanks and praise!

Leader: For God is sheer beauty, all-generous in love, faithful always and forever.

All: Praise the Lord!

(adapted from Psalm 100, *The Message*)

PRELUDE

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier, BWV 731
(Dearest Jesus, We Are Here)

- J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

*INVOCATION

Ron Tipton

*HYMN 308

Thine Be the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

*RESPONSIVE READING

based on 1 Peter 1:3-9

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: By God's great mercy we have been given a new birth into living hope!

Leader: In this you rejoice, so that your genuine faith may result in praise and glory when Jesus Christ is revealed.

People: Although we have not seen him, we love him;

Leader: And even though we do not see him now, we trust him.

All: We rejoice with an indescribable joy!

*GLORIA (Hymnal, 72)

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 16

Stacey Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

This Joyful Eastertide

- Charles Wood

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!

My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.

*Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst His three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain: but now hath Christ arisen.
Death's flood hath lost his chill, since Jesus cross'd the river:
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver. Refrain*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Paul Simpson Duke

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

*GOSPEL READING

John 20:19-31

Ron Tipton

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN

Xan Morgan

*HYMN 347

Spirit Song

SPIRIT SONG

(Preschool through 5th grade may leave for Church School)

SERMON

Therefore, Joy

Stacey Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS

E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come

- Paul Manz

Peace be to you and grace from him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
That we might saved be.
Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing holy, holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,
For Christ is coming soon!
E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

*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 306

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

VICTORY

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

WELCOMING OF NEW MEMBERS: AUDREY AND JEREMY BON

Congregation: We gladly welcome you into this church home. We pledge to learn with you, to serve with you, and to grow with you in the family of Jesus Christ.

New Members: We accept your welcome and offer our lives to love and serve with you to the glory of God.

Congregation: We are all made richer in faith because of your joining us. May the Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us all to be good friends to each other and fully faithful to the calling of God on our lives together.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Minute Gothique - Léon Boëllmann
from *Suite Gothique, Op.25* (1862-1897, French)

* If you are able, please stand

*The flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of
Edward & Frances Hinderer and Gary Alton.*

~ Shelley, Nichole, and Noelle Alton ~

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 & Anna Moyer, Ginny McKeachie, Juanita Dieterle, Pat Huebel, Iris Martin, Ethan Wright, Wally Jordan, Saw Charlie, Logan Sweet, and Dottie Casler.

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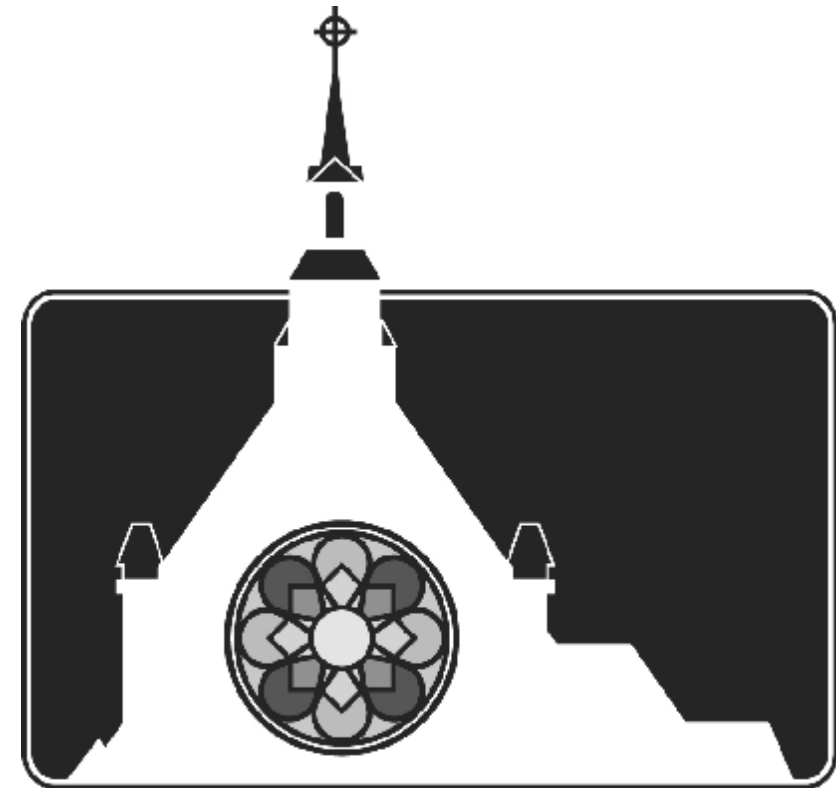
The Reverends Paul and Stacey Simpson Duke, *Pastors*

Xan Morgan, *Director of Children's Ministries*

Bonnie Kidd, *Sanctuary Choir Director*

Shin-Ae Chun, *Organist and Director of the Children's Choir*

The Reverend James Middleton, *Pastor Emeritus*



FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

2nd Sunday of Easter

Bright Sunday

April 23, 2017

~ Please turn off all cell phones and pagers. Thank you. ~

Pastor Stacey is leaving tonight for Fort Lauderdale, where she will be attending the American Baptist Women Pastors Colloquium this week; she returns on Friday.

Next Shared Supper May 13

The Board of Care and Community is sponsoring an opportunity for our FBC Family to gather and get to know one another better. What better way to do that than around a family table?. We gather in smallish groups (6-8ish) in homes for shared suppers. They are a potluck-style and happen on the 2nd Saturday, every other month, i.e. , May 13, July 8, etc. The groups will be different every time so folks can interact with those they may not know so well.. If you haven't already signed up and are interested in being on the list of participants, sign up at the Information Counter or contact Mary Davis (madrad@umich.edu or (734) 352-0732). Also, let Mary know if you can be a host sometimes. You will be contacted for availability about two weeks before each supper. Of course everyone won't be able to come every time. Children are welcome to participate, or we can help arrange child care. Shared transportation can also be arranged.

Can & Bottle Drive Youth Fundraiser

On June 18, our Youth Summer Mission Team will head to Spirit Lake Nation in North Dakota to work with the United Methodist mission there on the reservation. Every Sunday between now and the trip, the youth group will be collecting cans and bottles to take in to receive the deposit money on; this money will be used to help offset the costs of travel to North Dakota. Collection boxes are located next to the Information Counter. Thank you!

Scholarships Available Scholarships are available from the Chester and Violet Loucks fund for post-secondary education. For an application, please contact Mary Davis (madrad@umich.edu or (734)352-0732). The deadline for receipt of applications for the Loucks scholarships is May 22.

Worship Service Recordings

All of our worship services and sermons, including today's, are available on our church website as podcasts. Please consider sharing them with friends.



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.

Sunday, Apr 23	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary) 11:30 a.m. - Second Hour Classes 4:00 p.m. - Concert4aCause (Sanctuary)
Tuesday, Apr 25	9:30 a.m. - AB Women's Ministries Board (Lounge) 5:30 p.m. - Vespers - <i>Bethel UCC Manchester</i> (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday, Apr 26	1:30 p.m. - Bible Study (Lounge)
Thursday, Apr 27	7:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal (Room 102)
Sunday, Apr 30	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary) 11:30 a.m. - Annual Program Meeting & Potluck Lunch (Fellowship Hall)

Nursery Care for infants, toddlers and preschoolers is available on the 3rd floor from 9:30 - 11:30.

Our Annual Program Meeting is Next Sunday!

The meeting will be held after fellowship time (11:15) on April 30. After the business meeting we will enjoy a potluck lunch. Please plan to attend. There is a sign-up sheet at the information desk and in the church office during the week. The Board of Care and Community will provide chicken, rolls, and beverages. Last names beginning A-D bring salad or some kind of vegetable; E-J bring potato, rice, or pasta dish; and K-Z bring fruit or a dessert. Copies of the Program Report are available today, so that you have a chance to read it before next Sunday's meeting and vote. There are also draft copies of the telephone directory at the Information Counter and in the Fellowship Hall. Please take a moment to look at your information and update as needed. We are missing a lot of birth dates (Don't worry! No year needed, just month and day!), so please add that information. If you don't see your name and would like to be included, we would love to get your information.

Children & Youth Christian Education and Music

Children and Youth are an important part of our life together at First Baptist Church. All children are welcome in worship. During the second hymn, preschool through 5th grade leave for Church School. If you are visiting and would like more information about our ministry with kids and youth, please connect with our Director of Children's Ministry, Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org) or our Youth Minister, Stacey Simpson Duke (staceyduke@gmail.com).

Preschool – 1st Grade:

10:00 - 10:30 Worship
10:30 - 11:15 Church School (Rm. 202A&B)
11:15 - 11:30 Grace Notes Music (Preschool - 1st Grade; Rm. 202)
11:30 - 12:30 Activities (Rm. 202A&B)

2nd - 5th Grade:

10:00 - 10:30 Worship
10:30 - 11:15 Church School (Rm. 201B)
11:15 - 11:30 Snack
11:30 - 12:00 Children's Choir (2nd - 5th Grade; Rm. 306)
12:00 - 12:30 Children's Worship (Rm. 201B)

Youth (6th Grade - High School):

10:00 - 11:00 Worship
11:00 - 11:30 Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
11:30 - 12:30 Church School (Room 107)

Adult Christian Education

11:30-12:30

Heroes of the Bible (Astrid Beck, leader)

Room 102

For this new series, Astrid Beck will lead the discussion on Heroes of the Bible. We will look at great men and women, outstanding leaders in the biblical account, who are foundational to our faith, who not only defined it, but who also taught the values inherent in our faith practices. We will begin with Moses, continue with Elijah (highlighted again in the Gospels of Mark and Luke in the

Transfiguration account; why those two?), and work our way through other major men and women in the Old Testament and the New Testament. No background readings required. Bring your favorite Bible or use one of ours.

Conversations about Race

Memorial Lounge

(La'Ron Williams, Ron Gregg, and Paul Simpson Duke, leaders)

This class provides an opportunity to gain better understanding of racial perceptions and divisions in our culture. Events in recent years make such conversations more urgent. Special attention will be given to the character of systemic racism and white privilege, and to the choices we might make to help bring transformation. Three of the sessions will be led by La'Ron Williams, an expert facilitator on issues of race. The other three sessions will be co-led by Ron Gregg and Paul Simpson Duke.

Young Adult Class

Room 108

The group is continuing their study of the Gospel of Mark.

Other Adult Learning Opportunities

Wednesday Bible Study: Pastor Paul is leading *Studies in the Prophets*. We will discuss the work of the prophets in their historical context and will examine selected texts for closer understanding. Please join us!

Small Groups: We have continuing small groups centered on study, sharing, prayer, worship and mission meeting at various times. See Stacey or Paul for information on how to join an existing group or form a new group.

College/University Students: The Gathering is for undergraduates and graduate students. We gather during the school year for a free home-cooked meal, friendship, and study. Our program will resume in September. If you would like to be added to our email list for announcements, please email Stacey Simpson Duke at staceyduke@gmail.com.

Northside Community & First Baptist Churches

21st CONCERT 4a Cause

Supporting local nonprofits

Sunday, April 23, 2017- 4 pm

First Baptist Church
517 E. Washington Street

**Let All the World
in Every Corner Sing!**

Benefiting The Corner Health Center

Five Mystical Songs Ralph Vaughan Williams
Samuel Kidd, baritone Michigan Sinfonietta Chamber Ensemble
First Baptist Church Choir Bonnie Kidd, Director

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Timothy McAllister and UMSMTD Saxophone Ensemble
Shin-Ae Chun, organist
Corner Health Center Theater Troupe
VokylDuo, Clark-Guerriero Duo, Perry-Goodson Duo

CORNER
Health Center

Free & open to the public • On-site reception
Donations to the Corner Health Center Accepted

Acolyte Training

On Sunday, April 30, all 3rd through 12th graders are encouraged to attend our acolyte training/refresher course following worship on the 30th. We'll gather in the Sanctuary immediately following worship (11:10 am). We'll use our time together to learn how to light the candles, collect prayer cards and for the older kids, how to pass the offertory plate. We're excited to have our kids and teens serve in this way during worship. For more information, contact Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org).

Readings for Next Sunday, April 30

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 * Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 * 1 Peter 1:17-23 * Luke 24:13-35

Used Musical Instrument Collection

A group at First Presbyterian are taking up a collection of used musical instruments for the young people in the remote village of La Florida, Peru. The collection date has been extended to June 1. We have been informed that, in addition to wind, brass and percussion, used string instruments would also be most welcome. Even instruments needing minor repairs are valuable in this collection. Put your unused instrument into the hands of an eager young musician. Call Ginny Rezmierski 734-971-6221 or Jeff Taggart, 734-358-4353 for a drop-off or pick-up appointment until June 1. Donations are tax deductible.

The Interfaith Round Table of Washtenaw County

At 4pm on Sunday, May 21, the Interfaith Roundtable will present a unique interfaith music event - Voices of Children: Many Faiths, One Song. Four children's choirs from: the Hindu Chinmaya Mission, Temple Beth Emeth, St. Clare's Episcopal Church and The First Unitarian Universalist Congregation. This will be held at Genesis, 2309 Packard Street (Temple Beth Emeth and St. Clare's Episcopal). Given this current climate in our county and country, this will be a beautiful way to show our support for diversity and inclusion. There will be an opportunity to donate to the work of the IRT. For more information, call 734-424-1535 or email gbrides@umich.edu