

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Paul Simpson Duke

Leader: Come and worship, people of God!

People: We celebrate with songs of praise!

Leader: For God – the Most High – is seated on his holy throne,
Sovereign over all the earth!

All: Praise God!

HARPSICHORD PRELUDE

Air
from *Suite in D Minor, BWV 428*

- G.F. Handel
(1685-1759)

*INVOCATION

Marissa Alaniz

*HYMN 315 Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain
(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

ST. KEVIN

*THE PSALM from Psalm 47

Leader: Clap your hands, all you people!

People: Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

Leader: For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome,

People: Ruler over all the earth.

Leader: God has gone up with a shout!

People: Sing praises to God! Sing praises!

Leader: God reigns over the nations; God sits on the holy throne.

People: God is exalted beyond all.

All: Sing praises to God! Sing praises!

*GLORIA (Hymnal, 72)

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

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 1:15-23

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

O Lord, How Excellent Is Thy Name - Benedetto Marcello

O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the Earth. I will be glad and rejoice in Thee. I will sing praise unto Thy name, for Thou shalt judge in righteousness. The Lord shall judge in righteousness. O Thou Most High, Great God of Zion, we put our trust in Thee. O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the Earth.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Paul Simpson Duke

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 1:6-11

Stacey Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN 177

He Is Lord

HE IS LORD

TIME AS CHILDREN

Xan Morgan

*HYMN 177

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

SERMON

The Leaving

Stacey Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS

O For a Closer Walk with God

- C.V. Stanford

O for a closer walk with God,
A calm and heav'nly frame;
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb!

So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.

Return, O holy Dove,
Sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,
And drove thee from my breast.

*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.

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!

You are invited to Hope Clinic's Celebration of Hope on Thursday, June 8 at Earhart Manor on the campus of Concordia University, 4090 Geddes Rd., Ann Arbor. The event activities will include a delicious BBQ dinner, live music and the presentation of the Daniel D. Heffernan Humanitarian award to Kevin Sloan, DDS,MS given in recognition of his service to the community in the name of Christ. Ticket price is \$50 per person. Easy registration is available online at <https://thehopeclinic.ejoinme.org/COH2017> For more information or to attend contact Kathy Neumar at kneumar@thehopeclinic.org or 734-484-2989.

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.



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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, May 28	10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Monday, May 29	<i>Memorial Day - Church Office & Buildings Closed</i>
Tuesday, May 30	5:30 p.m. - Vespers - <i>Northside Comm. Church</i> (Fellowship Hall)
Thursday, June 1	7:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal (Room 102)
Saturday, June 3	10:00 a.m. - Children & Youth Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Sunday, June 4	10:00 a.m. - Children & Youth Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	11:30 a.m. - Second Hour classes

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

Volunteers needed for Vacation Bible School

We have a variety of opportunities to serve at VBS. We need teens and adults to help at craft booths, in the kitchen or as a small group leader. VBS is Tuesday, June 20, through Thursday, June 22, from 9:30-12:15 p.m. Please let Xan know if you're able to help in this way. Xan@fbca2.org or 734.663.9376

Children and Youth Sunday - Pentecost, June 4th

The children have been hard at work getting ready to lead us in worship on Children and Youth Sunday. It has been a treat to watch and listen as they work together to write an Invocation. Quick reminder for parents, our rehearsal is Saturday, June 3rd from 10:00-noon in the Sanctuary for kids in preschool through high school. Everyone is invited to wear red for Pentecost.

Readings for Next Sunday, June 4

Acts 2:1-21 * Psalm 104:24-34, 35b * 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 * John 7:37-39

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).

No Second Hour classes for Children or Youth today. Children's choir will meet with Shin-Ae from 11:15 to 12:00.

The following schedule resumes on June 4th:

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
11:15 - 12:00 Children's Choir (2nd - 5th Grade; Rm. 306 and Sanctuary)
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

No Adult classes today. The following schedule will resume on June 4:

Heroes of the Bible (Astrid Beck, leader) Library

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 will resume in September.

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.

Communion Servers Needed

The Board of Worship is looking for volunteers to help in this important part of the worship service on the first Sunday of each month, particularly the summer months when so many people are away. Please sign up for June 11, July 2, or August 6 at the Information Counter.