



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

9th Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 2022

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP Stacey Simpson Duke

PRELUDE *Nun bitten wir den Heiligen Geist, BuxWV 209* Dieterich Buxtehude
(Now We Implore the Holy Spirit) (1637-1707, German)

*INVOCATION Jill Damon
(*If you are able, please stand)

*HYMN 383 (stanzas 1-5) This Is a Day of New Beginnings *BEGINNINGS*

*THE PSALM from Psalm 50 Jill Damon

One: The Mighty One, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

All: God shines forth, the perfection of beauty! The heavens declare God's righteousness.

One: "Hear, O my people, and I will speak: Every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

All: I know all the birds of the air, and all that moves in the field is mine.

One: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay your vows to the Most High.

All: Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me."

*GLORIA (Hymn 72, sung twice)

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria! Alleluia! Alleluia!

EPISTLE READING Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Paul Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN Xan Morgan
(Children 5th grade and younger come for Time as Children and then leave for Church School.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Stacey Simpson Duke

SPECIAL MUSIC *Turn Thee to Me* Antonín Dvořák
from *Biblical Songs* Isaac Thompson, *baritone*

Turn Thee to me and have mercy, for I am desolate and sore distressed.

Great, great are the sorrows of my heart; bring me out of my distress.

Oh be merciful, look on my sorrow, see mine affliction and forgive me all my wickedness.

Oh, keep my soul in safety and deliver me.

Let me never be confounded. For my hope is in Thee.

SERMON *Into the Unknown by Faith* Paul Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

arr. by Richard Walters

Lucy Thompson, *mezzo soprano*

Come, thou fount of every blessing.
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy never ceasing.
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of Thy redeeming love.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to Thee;
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart. O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Confession

All: Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

The Lord's Prayer ("debts" - hymnal page 896)

The Bread and the Cup

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior - William H. Doane

Keep Us, Lord, in Your Word - Composer Unknown

Prayer after Communion

*HYMN 557 (verse 1)

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Dance Prelude on Unser Herrscher
(See the Morning Sun Ascending)

Neil Harmon

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
in celebration of the birth of our first grandchild, Elliot John Pagor.*

~ Allen & Paula Burton ~

We pray for Ron Tipton, Phyl White, Joe & Kathy Mortensen, Stacey Simpson Duke, Audrey Bon, Esther Floyd, Marilyn Marsh, Laura Parmelee, Maria Pierantozzi, Owen Stearns, Kelly Wilson, Michael Renning, Mike & Suzanne, Mrs. Essie Slaughter, Ulysses Slaughter, Jr., Mia Jermano, Del Jones, Katie Mason, Tom and Terri Rubenstein, John Rowe, Fay Key, Leah Grange, Lisa Hesse, Karl Jacobson, Maren Brogger, and Kris Ledyard Arges.

Today's Fellowship Offering will go towards the **Fellowship Fund** which provides for meeting emergency needs of those within our community. Please give generously.

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Children and Youth are an important part of our life together at First Baptist Church. All children are welcome in worship. Worshipful Play Bags are available as you enter the sanctuary. If you are visiting and would like more information, please connect with Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org) about Children's Ministry or Pastor Stacey Simpson Duke (staceyduke@gmail.com) about Youth Ministry.

Children leave for Summer Children's Ministry following Time as Children. Please pick up your children from the play space on the 2nd floor. The nursery is available during worship for 3 year olds and younger and is also on the 2nd floor.

Summer Youth Group Happenings - subscribe to the youth group e-newsletter to stay informed about summer events at <https://bit.ly/2N0FYGa>.

Poetry & Faith and **Tuesday Night Prayer** groups are taking a break for the rest of the summer and will restart in September.

Membership Matters! Membership is about responding to God's call to take the next step in your spiritual journey, and to belong to a community of people who are striving together to do the work of God's limitless love with purpose and passion. By becoming a member of First Baptist Church, you are making a commitment to partner with us as we seek together to claim, cultivate, and proclaim the good news of God's love for our world. Your commitment will make a positive difference in your life, in the life of this church, and in the world around us. How do I become a member? That's a great question, and we're glad you asked! The first step is to come to our Inquirers Gathering on Sunday, August 28 (3:00p-5:00p, at the Morgan home, 2614 Page Court). This relaxed, outdoor, child-inclusive gathering offers an opportunity to get to know each other, learn more about First Baptist Church, hear how you can connect with the life and ministry of this congregation, ask questions, and get some insight into what membership at FBCA2 means. Let us know if you can come! If you can't attend the Inquirers Gathering, you can contact one of our pastors (Pastor Stacey or Pastor Paul) to indicate your interest in learning more about church membership.

Backpacks and School Supplies for Community Action Network (CAN). Thank you for your generous donations to our commitment to provide 20 filled backpacks and financial assistance for youth who are served by Community Action Network. Ten individuals or families have signed up to provide backpacks. The MacGregor Stitt Circle provided funds for two backpacks and several other households sent financial donations which will be used to purchase and fill the remaining

eight backpacks, as well as provide \$600 in Amazon gift cards for middle and high school youth to use in purchasing their school supplies.

Date Change! Mary Gregg will host the FBC Ladies' Book Club on **Tuesday, August 16th** at 6:30 pm. The group will discuss *Parable of the Sower* by Octavia E. Butler. All ladies are welcome! Please contact Janice Stumpf or Mary Gregg for further information.

Seek, serve, and grow with us! More information about these opportunities at fbca2.org/connect or use the QR code to the right.

