



FIRST BAPTIST

CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Transfiguration Sunday
February 19, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Paul Simpson Duke

PRELUDE

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Duane Funderburk
(b.1954, American)
Kristin Reynolds, *oboe*

*INVOCATION

(*If you are able, please stand)

Jeanette Halliday

*HYMN 103

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

*THE PSALM

from Psalm 99

Jeanette Halliday

One: God is Sovereign – let the people tremble!

All: Let the people praise God's name. The Lord is holy, full of power.

One: O God, our Sovereign, you love what is right, you have established equity,
justice, and righteousness.

All: Exalt the Lord our God, and offer your worship, for the Lord our God is holy.

*GLORIA (Hymn 72, sung twice)

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 24:12, 15-18

Jeanette Halliday

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN

Sue Ellen Glover

(Children are invited to come forward. Following Time as Children, kids (through 5th grade) will leave for Church School)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Paul Simpson Duke

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

*GOSPEL READING

Matthew 17:1-5, 14-15, 18-20a

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Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

I Feel the Spirit!

arr. Don Besig

Coley Roberts & Lucy Thompson, *duet*

I've found the Spirit, I'll never let it go.

There's a little wheel, little wheel, little wheel aturnin';

I've found the Spirit, I need to let it show.

There's a little wheel, little wheel, turnin' in my heart.

I've found the Spirit, I want the world to know that the Lord is in my heart.

There's a little wheel, little wheel, little wheel a turnin' 'cause the Lord is in my heart.
 Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit movin' in my heart, I sing with praise!
 Yes, ev'ry time I feel the Spirit movin' in my heart, I sing with praise!
 Glory, hallelujah! I'm singin' glory, hallelujah!
 There's a little song, little song, little song a-singin';
 There's a little song, little song, singin' in my heart.
 Glory, hallelujah! Yes, the Spirit is singin' in my heart!
 There's a little song, little song a singin' 'cause the Spirit of the Lord is in my heart!
 Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit movin' in my heart, I sing with praise!
 Yes, ev'ry time I feel the Spirit movin' in my heart, I sing with praise!
 There's a little wheel a-turnin'; There's a little song a-singin';
 I can feel the Spirit movin' in my heart! I feel the Spirit a-movin' in my heart!

SERMON

Two Truths at Once

Paul Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS

Peace Like a River, Kum Ba Yah arr. by Jean Anne Shafferman
 Coley Roberts & Lucy Thompson, duet

Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah. Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah.
 Someone's praying, Lord, kum ba yah. O Lord, kum ba yah.
 I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.
 I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.
 Someone's singing, Lord, kum ba yah. (I've got love like an ocean in my heart)
 Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah. (I've got peace like a river) Amen.

***HYMN 427** (stanzas 1, 4-6) Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

GERMANY

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata on Lasst uns erfreuen

Charles Callahan
 (b. 1951, American)

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Pearl Hsu and Harry & Elizabeth Lee.*

~ The Lee family ~

We pray for Nancy Rushton, Jill Damon, Stacey Simpson Duke, Mary Margaret Hatt, Deb Levine, Marilyn Marsh, Esther Floyd, Lauren Bowen, Maria Pierantozzi, Grange Burnside, Mrs. Essie Slaughter, Allison Lovell, Mia Jermano, Tom and Terri Rubenstein, John Rowe, Fay Key, Kris Ledyard Arges, and Jackie.

We're glad you're here! Please take a moment to fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in offering plate when it comes by later in the service. You can indicate any prayer requests you have and let us know if you'd like a name tag and/or our bi-weekly communication about the life of the church.



You may place your offering in one of the plates when they are passed. Or make your offering online using this QR code or via PayPal (@fbca2) and place a Connection Card indicating so in the offering plate.

Church service hearing aids are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Inquirers' Gathering today. Interested in becoming a member of FBCA2? Join Pastor Paul and other newcomers at 11:30a in classroom 201B as we gather to get to know one another, 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.

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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. Nursery care is available for children (infant through 3 yrs) on the top floor. Children (through 5th grade) leave for Church School following Time as Children.

Following worship, children (Young 5s-K) have Children's Choir with Coley Roberts and younger children (birth-4s) are invited to have supervised time in our play space. Care is provided for children until 12:30p when 2nd Hour classes for adults and teens wrap up. Please pick up your kids in the play space on the top floor. Youth (grades 6-12) are invited to join adults for Fellowship Time following worship and then head down to the Youth Room (directly underneath the Sanctuary) for Youth Group, 11:30a- 12:30p. If you are visiting and would like more information, please connect with Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org).

Parenting as a Spiritual Journey Book Group. Beginning February 26, we gather following fellowship time (11:30-12:30p) to discuss *Parenting as a Spiritual Journey* by Rabbi Nancy Fuchs-Kreimer. Connect with Xan Morgan to get a copy of the book. Kids will be engaged with Children's Choir and supervised play during this time. For *Parenting as a Spiritual Journey*, Fuchs-Kreimer's interviews with over 100 parents plus her own experience as a mother of two, illuminate the journey we take every day in raising our children. Included are rituals, prayers, and inspiring passages from sacred texts that are woven throughout this wise, funny, and lyrical book.

The Sunday ChristCare Group meets today at 11:30a in the Campus Center living room. Want to check it out? Grab a cup of coffee and join us. Any questions, contact Beth Foster.

Sermon Discussion and Group Sharing. Sundays, 11:30a-12:30p, today through February 26th. Dick Bowser will lead the conversation today on the themes, questions, implications, and possible applications of the sermon just preached in the Sunday service. It's a free-flowing discussion in which all ideas, perspectives, questions, and concerns are welcome. Opportunity is also given each week for participants to offer personal sharing if they wish, so that we can know and support each other better. Join us in the Memorial Lounge for this time of thoughtful discussion and connection.

Ash Wednesday Service. As we enter the season of Lent, we reflect on our penitence and our mortality. Please join us this Wednesday, February 22, at 7:30p, in the sanctuary, for a simple, somber service of prayer and ashes.

Our AD LIBITUM Concert Series resumes in March with two inspiring concerts. "Deep in Thoughts" on **Tuesday, March 14** at noon is a meditative concert. Shin-Ae Chun will perform organ music written by Herbert Howell, J.S. Bach, Frescobaldi, Max Reger, Maurice Duruflé and others. "Born in 1685" on **Friday, March 24** at noon will feature various forms of music by Bach and Handel. Alice Van Wambeke (harpsichord), Phoebe Gelzer-Govatos (violin) and Shin-Ae Chun (organ and harpsichord) will perform in several different musical settings. These concerts are free and open to the public. Mark your calendar and invite your friends and neighbors.

Midweek Bible Study is back! Starting this coming Wednesday, February 22, we will be studying the Gospel of Luke. The study will be led by Dr. Astrid Beck and Pastor Paul, as he is able. We will meet on Wednesdays at 1:00p in the Memorial Lounge. Join us.

Join us for Night Prayer on Tuesdays, 8:30pm, on our church Facebook page (facebook.com/fbca2).

Campus Ministry on Wednesdays at 6:30p in the Memorial Lounge. Subscribe to the weekly e-newsletter at <https://bit.ly/2N0FYGa>.

Poetry and Faith discussion group. Join a lively, though virtual, discussion of poems and faith. We next gather via Zoom at 7:00pm on February 27. The link is fbca2.org/poetry. We anticipate meeting monthly.

FBCA2 Hosts the Overnight Rotating Shelter in March! We host the Overnight Rotating Shelter beginning Monday, March 6 through Sunday, March 12. There are 3 volunteer opportunities each night: 1 evening only shift (6:30-10:00p), 2 evening and overnight shifts (6:30p-7:30a & 8:30p-9:00a). The overnight volunteers will each take a hosting shift (4 hrs) and a sleeping shift in the Memorial Lounge (4 hrs).

Serving for the first time and want to be paired with someone who has done it before? Let us know and we will find you an experienced partner. Thanks for being a part of this important ministry as one of our concrete ways of loving our neighbors as ourselves. Questions? Connect with Kevin Morgan. Sign up at fbca2.org/connect.

FBC Ladies' Book Club. The next meeting of the FBC Ladies' Book Club will be Monday, February 27th at 6:30 pm. We will meet at the home of Janice Stumpf to discuss a classic, *The Painted Veil* by W. Somerset Maugham. All ladies are welcome—even those who don't finish the book! Please contact Mary Gregg or Janice Stumpf with any questions.

FBC Men's Book Club. The next meeting of the FBC Men's Book Club will be Friday, March 3rd at 7:00 pm. We will gather at the home of Dan Barry to discuss, *Rescuing Socrates* by Roosevelt Montas. All men are welcome. Please contact Dan Barry or Cesar Alaniz with any questions.

Let's eat, and talk, and enjoy one another's company with no agenda, no decisions to make beyond whether or not to have seconds... Our newly revived Shared Suppers evenings are starting, with the first one being March 11. The Board of Care and Community sponsors this opportunity for our FBC Family to gather and get to know one another better. What better way to do that than around a table? We gather in smallish groups (6-8ish) in homes for Shared Suppers. They are potluck style and happen on the 2nd Saturday and Sunday, every other month – March, May, July, etc. The groups will be different every time so folks can interact with those they may not know so well. If you are interested in being on the list of participants email Mary Davis or stop by the Ministry Station at church to leave your name and email. Being on the list only indicates interest, not a commitment to come. You will be contacted for availability about two weeks before each supper. Of course, everyone won't be able to come every time. Children/youth are welcome to participate. Shared transportation can also be arranged.

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



Calendar

February 19	ChristCare Group @11:30a in Campus Center Inquirers Gathering @11:30a in Children's Ministry Wing Sermon Discussion Group @11:30a in the Lounge
February 22	Bible Study @1:00p in Lounge The Gathering @6:30p in the Lounge Ash Wednesday Service @7:30p
February 23	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal @7:00p
February 26	Baby Dedication and Baptism in worship at 10:00a Parenting as a Spiritual Journey Group @11:30a
February 27	Poetry and Faith Discussion Group @7:00 via Zoom