



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

2nd Sunday of Easter
April 16, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Xan Morgan

One: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;

Many: in the night also my heart instructs me.

One: I keep the Lord always before me

Many: because God is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

One: You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy;

All: in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

(from Psalm 16)

PRELUDE

Prelude and Fugue in C (BuxWV 137)

Dietrich Buxtehude
(c1737-1707)

*INVOCATION

Lincoln Reed

(*If you are able, please stand)

*HYMN 308

Thine Be the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Lincoln Reed

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA (Hymn 72, sung twice)

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

**WELCOMING OF NEW MEMBERS: SARA ARMSTRONG, WILL SPOTTS,
JOANN BRUMMETT, JOE BRUMMETT, KAREN RAYNER, SORBIE RICHNER,
DAN WALDEN, AND JODYLYNN WOOD**

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.

TIME AS CHILDREN

Xan Morgan

(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**

John 20:19-31

Heather Entrekin

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

Canticle of the Turning

- arr. by Anne Krentz Organ

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great,
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn,
So from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?

*My heart shall sing of the day you ring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.*

Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,
And your mercy shall last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,
You will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*

From the hall of power to the fortress tower, not a stone will be left on stone.
Let the king beware for your justice tears every tyrant from his throne.
The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn;
There are tables spread, every mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*

Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast:
God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp.
This saving word that our forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound,
Till the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around. *Refrain*

SERMON

In Hope

Heather Entrekin

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

- arr. James Hopkins

Jerusalem, my happy home, when shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
Thy saints are crowned with glory great; they see God face to face;
They triumph still, they still rejoice; most happy is their case.
There David stands with harp in hand as master of the choir;
Ten thousand times that man were blest that might this music hear.
Jerusalem, God grant that I may see thine endless joy and of the same partaker ever be.

***HYMN 529**

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: **And also with you.**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Chaconne in C (Bux WV 137)

Dietrich Buxtehude
(c1737-1707)

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
in honor of Alexandre's birthday.*

~ With love, his family ~

We pray for **Marlene Francis, Jill Damon, Mary Margaret Hatt, Betty Gerstler, Marilyn Marsh, Esther Floyd, Lauren Bowen, Grange Burnside, Graham DePriest, Fred Vanosdall, Mrs. Essie Slaughter, Allison Lovell, Mia Jermano, Tom and Terri Rubenstein, John Rowe, Fay Key, Kris Ledyard Arges, and Jackie.**

Our organist, **Dr. Shin-Ae Chun**, is on leave. We welcome **Dr. Pamela Stover** to the organ this morning. Pamela Stover is an Associate Professor at the University of Toledo where she teaches Music Education and Organ. She has served large and small congregations of various denominations since she was 12. Her minor fields on her PhD (Indiana University, 2003) were church music (with Marilyn Kaiser) and Organ (with Chris Young). She is a world traveler and has taught or presented research on five continents and was a Fulbright research scholar in 2020 at the Kodály Institute in Hungary. She remembers her rural roots and is hosting the national conference of the Country School Association of America, which will feature many of Michigan and Ohio's one-room schools.

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

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Coley Roberts, *Children's Choir Director*

Lee Foley, *Facilities Manager*

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We're glad you're here! Please take a moment to fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in the 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.

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. Our usual programming for children and youth following worship is on pause for today as we have a church-wide bowling event after worship!

Children's Ministry Night. Children's Ministry families gather monthly to spend time together! Mark your calendar for April 21st from 6:15-8:15p. Children will be supervised in the upstairs play space while parents gather in the Campus Center living room. Dinner will be provided for everyone.

Youth Movie Night. Youth leaders will be hosting a movie night for youth group members at the church on Friday, April 21st from 7pm-9pm. We will be watching "The Prince of Egypt," and we will provide pizza and beverages. We hope to host a summer movie night for youth as well! Questions? Email Marissa Alaniz at malaniz@umich.edu.

Lament for a Son Discussion Group. You are invited to take part in a conversation centered on Wolterstorff's *Lament for a Son*, at 11:30a in the Lounge on April 23. Pastor Paul Duke will lead. Nicholas Wolterstorff is a well-known Christian philosopher writing not as a scholar, but as a father grieving his son. There are copies of the book available for purchase in the hallway, before and after worship today. Please note, reading the book is not required for participation. All are welcome.

American Baptist Women's Ministries at FBC next meet at 1:00p on Thursday, April 20, in the Memorial Lounge.

Our Annual Program Meeting will be held after worship on April 30. Everyone is invited to stay after the meeting for a potluck lunch (our first potluck since January 2020!). The Board of Care and Community will provide chicken, rolls, and beverages. To make sure we have enough food and a variety, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0845ADAC2AABF58-annual>. If your last name begins with A-D, please bring a potato, rice, or pasta dish. If your last name begins with E-M, please bring fruit or a dessert. If your name begins with N - Z, please bring a salad or vegetable.

Children & Youth Sunday. On Sunday, May 7th at 10am, FBCA2 will host our annual Children and Youth Sunday. This is a special Sunday where children and youth lead the entire worship service. Children and Youth may participate by playing piano or another instrument and/or by leading a reading or prayer. We will divvy up speaking parts so that all interested children and youth can participate in leading an element of this special service. Our rehearsal will be Sunday, April 23 from 11:20-1:00p; lunch will be provided. Parents, please fill out the form at fbca2.org/candysunday to express your child(ren)'s availability and preferred involvement level for Children & Youth Sunday.

Our next Shared Suppers evenings are May 13 and 14. 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. 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.

Join us for Midweek Bible Study! Wednesdays at 1:00p in the memorial lounge. The group is studying the Gospel of Luke, led by Dr. Astrid Beck.

Campus Ministry on Wednesdays at 6:45p in the Campus Center living room. 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 March 27. The link is fbca2.org/poetry. We meet monthly.

American Baptist Churches of Michigan Central Area invite you to a *Night of Worship* at Mason Community Church (1000 E Columbia St., Mason, MI 48854) on Friday, April 21st. Dinner is at 6:00p and worship at 7:00p. RSVP by April 14 using the QR code to the right.



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

Calendar

April 16	FBCA2 goes Bowling at Station 300 from 12:00-2:00p
April 19	Bible Study @1:00p in Lounge The Gathering @6:45p in the Lounge
April 20	American Baptist Women's Ministries @1p in the Lounge. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal @7:00p
April 21	Youth Movie Night @7:00p in the youth room. Children's Ministry Night @6:15 in the Campus Center
April 23	Children and Youth Rehearsal at 11:20a in the upstairs play space A discussion of <i>Lament for a Son</i> @11:30a in the Lounge.
April 24	Faith and Poetry discussion @7:00 via Zoom
April 30	Annual Program Meeting @11:30a in the fellowship hall.

Welcoming Of New Members: Sara Armstrong, Will Spotts, Samuel Spotts, Lucas Spotts



Sara Armstrong and Will Spotts live in Ann Arbor with their two delightfully weird and wonderful kids Samuel (13) and Lucas (8) and their equally weird and wonderful dogs Dixie (18) and Beatrix (3). Sara– a professional extrovert and personal introvert– works at the Center for Research on Learning and Teaching at UM where she builds theatre-based professional development programs for graduate students, faculty, and academic leaders designed to support them in advancing equitable academic and professional practices. Will– an extrovert extrovert– is an Assistant Director in the Bright Futures Program, housed in EMU, where he provides leadership for eight after school enrichment programs in Ypsilanti. Samuel is currently a 7th grader at Slauson Middle School with passions for choir, Boy Scouts, Dungeons and Dragons–and any kind of imaginative worldbuilding really. Lucas loves reading, art-making of all sorts, moving his body with wild abandon, and general shenanigans. Though most of the family can't remember when they actually started attending First Baptist, Samuel insists it was in early 2018. The Armstrong Spotts family remain grateful to Xan for her kind invitation to visit her then new church home and to the larger FBCA community for the warm welcome they have received and the relationships they have built across the past five (apparently) years.

Joann and Joe Brummett



Joann was born in Russelville Alabama, her family moved to Detroit when she was 9 Years old. Joe was born and raised in Detroit, Michigan. We were married in Detroit in 1960 We have lived and worked in and around the Detroit area most of our life, except for a brief 2 years in Wichita, Kansas. Joann has worked as domestic engineer and more than assisted in raising 4 children Kenneth, Jody Lynn, Lori and Karen. She has also worked as a secretary including 10 years with the University of Michigan. Joe has a degree in electronic engineering from Electronics Institute of Detroit. Joe has worked as a technician for Boeing 2 years, was self-employed for about 35 years (Powertronic Inc.) and worked 17 years with The University of Michigan. We now live in Ypsilanti and are retired.

Karen Rayner



Karen Rayner moved to Ann Arbor (Superior Township) with her husband, Jonathan, and two children, William (18) and Elise (15), in 2017 after living in England for seven years.

Karen works for Lenawee Intermediate School District as an instructional data and assessment consultant and has worked in education for 25 years. She is currently a doctoral candidate and in the final stages of her dissertation, pursuing a degree in Educational Leadership at EMU.

Karen grew up in Northville and attended Cherry Hill Baptist in Dearborn. She began attending First Baptist Ann Arbor shortly after moving to the area and feels right at home here. Karen organizes the amazing FBCA2 monthly meal service team at the Hope Clinic in Ypsilanti (please reach out to volunteer: rayner.kar@gmail.com). She also enjoys singing with her wonderful friends in the church choir.

Sorbie Richner



Sorbie Richner is an Ann Arbor native who has been attending FBC for the past three years. She studied music at St. Olaf College, which is in no way relevant to her current life. She sometimes sings in the FBC choir. She works various service jobs around town and dreams of moving to the countryside someday.

Dan Walden



Dan Walden has lived in Ann Arbor since 2012. After growing up in Chicago and Minneapolis, he moved to the East Coast to finish high school and to study Classics at Columbia University before returning to the Midwest to pursue his doctorate at Michigan. A lifelong choral singer, he sang for many years with the University of Michigan Men's Glee Club before being hired this year by First Baptist Church (with many thanks to his longtime friends the Kidds!). Dan has taught the Greek and Latin classics and general humanities at Phillips Exeter Academy (NH), The Blake School (MN), and the University of Michigan. Aside from his academic work on Greek epic poetry, Dan publishes frequently on subjects at the intersection of theology and social ethics, especially Christian socialism and gay theology. He is an avid fan of opera and an obsessive devotee of American musical theatre.

Jodylynn Wood



Jodylynn Wood grew up in the Detroit Metro area, has lived in Upstate New York and Central Ohio, but returned to Michigan in 2016 and lives in Detroit with her husband John. Jodylynn graduated with a Master of Divinity degree from Colgate Rochester Divinity School in 1990, was ordained by her home church, Cherry Hill Baptist, in 1991 and has served as a Pastor, College Chaplain, Customer Service Rep and Volunteer Coordinator, and has now found her true calling as a Hospice Chaplain. Jodylynn's current favorite pastimes are reading, swimming, camping and spending time with family and friends.