



FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR
THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Pentecost
May 28, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING

Paul Simpson Duke

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: That first day found us together,

All: All of us, old and young, waiting as he told us, praying as he taught us.

One: Then the Spirit came as wind and fire!

All: Wind of freedom! Fire of courage!

One: We found our voices!

**All: We cried out praise! We spoke with friend and stranger! We shared the gladdest news!
They heard the gladdest news!**

One: They heard it and we heard it, too— that Jesus Christ is Lord, and no one is excluded from the gift!

All: The Spirit is given! We are changed! The church is born! Alleluia! Amen!

PRELUDE

Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist
(We now implore the Holy Spirit)

J. G. Walther

*INVOCATION

(*If you are able, please stand)

Allen Burton

*HYMN 545 (stanzas 1-2, 4-5) The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

*THE PSALM

from Psalm 104

Allen Burton

One: How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your riches.

**All: There is the sea, vast and wide, with its moving swarms past counting,
living things great and small.**

One: All of these look to you to give them their food in due season.

You give it, they gather it up; you open your hand, they have their fill.

All: You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth.

*GLORIA (Hymn 72, sung twice)

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Joel 2:28-29

Allen Burton

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

CONGREGATIONAL SONG (Hymn 558, v2) We Are the Church

PORT JERVIS

(Children 5th grade and younger come forward while we sing)

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

Xan Morgan

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

ANTHEM

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

arr. by William L. Dawson
Chris Grapentine, *bass-baritone*

Ev'ry time I feel the spirit, moving in my heart, I will pray.
Upon the mountain, my Lord spoke, out of His mouth came, fire and smoke.
Looked all around me, it looked so fine, till I asked my Lord if all was mine.
Jordan river is chilly and cold, it chills the body, not the soul;
There ain't but one train upon this track, it runs to heaven and right back.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2:1-18, 41-42

Paul Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Spirit of Courage and Joy

Paul Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS

O Spirit of the Living God

Austin C. Lovelace

O Spirit of the living God, thou light and fire divine,
descend upon thy church once more, and make it truly thine.
Fill it with love and joy and power, with righteousness and peace;
Till Christ shall dwell in human hearts, and sin and sorrow cease.
Blow, wind of God! With wisdom blow until our minds are free from mists of error,
Clouds of doubt, which blind our eyes to thee.
Burn winged fire! Inspire our lips with flaming love and zeal,
To preach to all thy great good news, God's glorious commonweal.
Teach us to utter words of truth which all may hear,
That all may understand when love speaks loud and clear;
Till every age and race and clime shall blend their creeds in one,
And earth shall form one family by whom thy will is done.
So shall we know the power of Christ who came this world to save;
So shall we rise with him to life which soars beyond the grave,
And earth shall win true holiness, which makes thy children whole,
Till, perfected by thee, we reach creation's glorious goal!

*HYMN 577 (stanzas 1-2, 4) God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: **And also with you.**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Deep River

arr. by Harry T. Burleigh
Sam Kidd, *baritone*

Deep river, my home is over Jordan,
Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into camp-ground.
Deep river, my home is over Jordan
Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into camp-ground.
Oh, don't you want to go to that gospel feast,
That promised land where all is peace?
Oh deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into camp-ground.

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Joe Mortensen on his May 28th birthday.*

~ *Kathy Mortensen* ~

We pray for **Jill Damon, Betty Gerstler, Mary Margaret Hatt, Marilyn Marsh, Esther Floyd, Lauren Bowen, David Gregg, Grange Burnside, Graham DePriest, Fred Vanosdall, Mrs. Essie Slaughter, Simona Butler, Mia Jermano, Tom and Terri Rubenstein, John Rowe, Fay Key, and Jackie.**

Our organist, **Dr. Shin-Ae Chun**, is on leave. We welcome **Gale Kramer** to the organ this morning. Gale Kramer retired in 2007 after thirty years as organist of the Rice Memorial Organ at Metropolitan Methodist Church in Detroit. During fifteen years of that time, he was the organist for Temple Beth El in Bloomfield Hills. Before that, he served nine years as organist of Ann Arbor's First Congregational Church.

A note on the prelude: "We now implore the Holy Spirit for, above all, a right faith, that it may preserve us at our end when we go home from this exile." The first stanza of *Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist* dates from the 13th century. Martin Luther added three stanzas addressing the Holy Spirit and these appeared in one of the earliest Protestant hymnbooks, published by his contemporary Johann Walther. The composer of today's setting was another J G Walther who was a contemporary of Bach.

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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 an 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.

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.

On most Sundays following worship, children (Young 5s-5th grade) 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 12:30. 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. **This Sunday, our programming after worship is on pause for the holiday weekend.** If you are visiting and would like more information, please contact Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org).

Our Adult Spiritual Formation series is "Journeys Worth Sharing." On Sundays through June 4 (with the exception of the Memorial Day weekend), some members of our congregations will share stories of their own faith experience. Two people will speak each week, telling of how their faith has developed and changed through the years. We will hear of the challenges some of them have faced, perhaps their doubts and triumphs, their spiritual practices and insights, and what their faith means to them now. Ample time will be given each week for questions and group discussion. This series promises to be thought-provoking and inspiring and will provide a great opportunity to get to know each other better. Please join us!

For the past 40 years, Hope Clinic has been serving those in need in our community. Located in Ypsilanti, it provides food, health and dental care, mental health care, pharmacy and laundry services, and daily hot meals at no cost. Our church is holding a food drive for three months to fill and replenish Hope Clinic's pantry. In June, we are looking for baby care items: size 6 diapers are in constant demand, generic formula, and baby thermometers. Any and all food items are also always welcome. You may go to Hope Clinic's website and donate through Amazon. If you decide to donate through Amazon, please email Nancy Paul at nkpaul1505@gmail.com and let her know what you ordered. Of course you may always drop off items at church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Volunteering Together at the Ann Arbor Summer Festival. Let's have some fun and spread some love while we volunteer together at the A² Summer Festival! On Wednesday, June 21 from 5-7:45p, you're invited to join folks from FBCA2 to greet attendees at Top of the Park and offer guidance regarding compost, recycling, and landfill items to help reach the Festival Footprint goals! All ages are welcome; **sign up at fbca2.org/connect!** Volunteers under the age of 10 yrs do not need to officially sign up but are invited to come with their families! **After we are done volunteering, you are invited to stick around and enjoy the festival with those who are gathered. Some of us, the Youth Group in particular, will be staying to watch Inside Out on the big screen at 10:00p.**

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. **Note: The group will not meet on May 31, and will resume June 7.**

Scholarships Available. Applications are available for the Chester & Violet Loucks and Fullerton scholarships which are awarded to members of the FBC family in support of post-secondary education and church camp. Applications are available from Mary Davis (madrad@umich.edu) and are due by June 1.

SAVE THE DATE. Our FBC Habitat for Humanity workdays are July 29 and August 11. Contact Scott Diels (hscottdiels@gmail.com) for more information.

Campus Ministry is on summer break and will resume in September. Subscribe to the weekly e-newsletter at <https://bit.ly/2N0FYGa>.

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



Calendar

May 29	Memorial Day – Church Buildings & Office Closed
June 1	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal @7:00p
June 4	“Journeys Worth Sharing” discussion group @11:30a in the Lounge`
June 7	Bible Study @1:00p in Lounge
June 11-17	Church Camp
June 18	Baptism Sunday
June 21	Volunteering at Ann Arbor Summer Festival and Youth Movie Night
June 24	Bowser Memorial Service @11a in the FBCA2 Sanctuary
June 28	Board Retreat