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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Children & Youth Sunday May 7, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING Anna Eavy, Alice VanderVliet, and Luke Shutko

CALL TO WORSHIP James Mast

PRELUDE Sweet Hour of Prayer W. Bradbury & W. Walford

Lex DaSilva, piano

All Night, All Day traditional

Lex DaSilva, piano

Holy, Holy, Holy R. Heber & J.B. Dykes

James Mast, piano

Morning Has Broken traditional, arr. by Nancy Faber

Ingrid and Grace VanderVliet, piano duet

*INVOCATION Allie Yan

(*If you are able, please stand)

*HYMN 617 I Come with Joy DOVE OF PEACE

*THE PSALM Psalm 42 Celia Mlynarek & Ingrid VanderVliet

One: I will bless the Lord at all times; God's praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Many: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and be glad.
One: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt God's name together!
Many: Look to God and be radiant, so your faces shall never be ashamed.

One: O taste and see that the Lord is good!

All: Happy are those who take refuge in God!

*GLORIA (Hymn 72, sung twice in a three-part round)

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 2:42-47 Samuel Spotts

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM Taste and See James E. Moore, Jr.

Children's Choir led by Coley Roberts, guitar

and Heather Reed.

After the children sing *Taste and See* once through, we invite the congregation to join the children in singing.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Cat DaSilva, Andrew Redinger, Liz Redinger, Anna Eavy, and the Godly Play class written by Marissa Alaniz with prayer concerns from the youth

During our prayer we invite you to join us in the prayer refrain below.

One: God, pour out your love

All: over all of us

SPECIAL MUSIC We Are One in the Spirit Father Peter Scholtes

Samuel Spotts, soloist

When the Saints Go Marching In traditional

Allie Yan, piano

Music, Music, Music Stephan Weiss & Bernie Baum

> Piper Morgan, trombone Asher Morgan, bass clarinet

TIME AS CHILDREN

Lex DaSilva, Cat DaSilva, and Chloe Eavy (Children are invited to come forward. Following Time as Children, kids (through 1st grade) will leave for Church School. 2nd-5th graders will remain in worship today.)

We Are the Church (Hymn 558)

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together! All who follow Jesus, all around the world!

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We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces, all colors and all ages, too, from all times and places.

*GOSPEL READING Chloe Eavy John 6:35-40

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON The Great Big Family Table Paul Simpson Duke

CALL FOR THE OFFERING And the Table Will Be Wide by Ian Richardson

Asher Morgan, Teresa Suell, Lincoln Reed, Danny Reed

The King of Love My Shepherd Is Charles Gounod OFFERING OF GIFTS

> Emmanuel Morgan, soloist Mariah Boucher, pianist

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Confession Piper Morgan

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace **Jack Shutko**

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 Cat DaSilva, Chloe Eavy, Emmanuel Morgan,

Liz Redinger, Lex DaSilva, Ingrid VanderVliet

Today we have two stations for communion. We invite you to come forward, as you are able, using the center aisles and go back to your pew by way of the side aisles. If you would like us to bring communion to you at your pew, please indicate to Robbie to let us know. Gluten free bread is available.

Prayer after Communion **Emmanuel Morgan**

*HYMN 557 (verse 1) Blest Be the Tie That Binds **DENNIS**

BENEDICTION Youth Group

POSTLUDE Deep River Spiritual

Cat DaSilva, piano

A. Dvořák *Humoresque* Celia Mlynarek, violin

Mariah Boucher, piano

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

> The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration of and gratitude for the children and youth of FBCA2.

Our organist, Dr. Shin-Ae Chun, is on leave. We welcome Cary Dumas to the piano this morning. Cary Dumas serves as a substitute organist and pianist at a variety of churches throughout Ann Arbor and metro Detroit. He studied piano at Michigan State University and organ with several private instructors. In his spare time, he is an attorney with the Internal Revenue Service in Detroit.

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.

Today's **Fellowship Offering** will go towards the **American Baptist Churches of Michigan Regional Offering** to promote our shared ministry and mission. Your contribution helps with planting new churches, renewing existing churches, and raising pastors. You can contribute directly to ABC-MI using the QR code on the insert or write a check to First Baptist Church, add "regional offering" in the memo line, and drop it 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 1st grade) leave for time together in our Children's Ministry play space and 2nd-5th graders remain in worship with their families and attend Fellowship Time together.

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).

Beginning today and concluding on June 4, our Adult Spiritual Formation series is "Journeys Worth Sharing." On these Sundays (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!

Interested in becoming a member of FBCA2? Our next Blessing of New Members will be Sunday, May 21 and we would love to have you join us. Connect with Pastor Paul or Xan Morgan to 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.

Hope serves our neighbors with the most need. Located in Ypsilanti, it provides food, health and dental care, mental health care, pharmacy and laundry services, and daily hot meals to the area's poorest residents at no cost. Our church is holding a food drive for the next three months to fill and

replenish Hope Clinic's pantry. For the month of May, we are requesting non-food groceries, hygiene items (toilet paper and feminine hygiene), laundry, and cleaning supplies. You may also go to Hope Clinic's website and donate through Amazon at

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/IJNWC729PCQC/ref = cm go nav hz. You may drop donations off at church on Sunday morning. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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.

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. Applications are available from Mary Davis (madrad@umich.edu) and are due by June 1.

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 7	"Journeys Worth Sharing" discussion group @11:30a in the Lounge
May 10	Bible Study @1:00p in Lounge
	The Gathering @6:45p in the Lounge
May 11	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal @7:00p
May 21	Blessing of New Members
June 11-17	Church Camp
lune 18	Baptism Sunday

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