



# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
August 13, 2023

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Paul Duke

PRELUDE

*Intermezzo*

Willibald Richter  
(1890-1922, English)

\*INVOCATION

(\*If you are able, please stand)

Rob Duke

\*HYMN 66

Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

*LAUDA ANIMA*

\*THE PSALM

Psalm 37:3-5, 7a, 8-9

Rob Duke

One: Trust in the Lord and do good, so that you will live in the land and be secure.

**All: Delight in God, and God will give you the desires of your heart.**

One: Commit your way to the Lord; trust in God and God will act.

**All: Be still before the Lord. Wait patiently for God.**

One: Calm your anger and forget your rage. Do not fret – it leads only to evil.

**All: For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land.**

\*GLORIA (Hymn 72, sung twice)

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 105:1-5

Paul Simpson Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

CONGREGATIONAL SONG (Hymnal 147, v. 4) All Things Bright and Beautiful

*ROYAL OAK*

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.

God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell  
how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.

TIME AS CHILDREN

Robbie Stapleton

(Following Time as Children, kids (through 2nd grade) will head to Summer Children's Ministry in the upstairs play space.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Paul Simpson Duke

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

**EPISTLE READING**

Colossians 3:12-15

Rob Duke

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*City Called Heaven*

arr. by Hall Johnson  
Coley Roberts, *soprano*

I am a po' pilgrim of sorrow,  
I'm tossed in dis wide worl' alone.  
No hope have I for tomorrow  
I've started to make Heav'n my home.  
*Sometimes I am toss-ted an' driven, Lord,*  
*Sometimes I don't know where to roam,*  
*I heard of a city called Heaven,*  
*I've started to make it my home.*

My mother has reached that pure glory,  
My father's still walkin' in sin,  
My brother's an' sisters won't own me,  
Because I am try'n' to get in.  
*Sometimes I am toss-ted an' driven, Lord,*  
*Sometimes I don't know where to roam,*  
*I heard of a city called Heaven,*  
*I've started to make it my home.*

**SERMON**

*Thanks!*

Paul Simpson Duke

**SILENT REFLECTION**

**OFFERING OF GIFTS**

*Steal Away*

Gilbert M. Martin  
(b.1941, American)

**\*HYMN 102**

Now Thank We All Our God

*NUN DANKET*

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: **And also with you.**

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Offertoire sur les Grand Jeux (Excerpt)*

Francois Couperin  
(1668-1733, French)

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God  
in loving memory of Roberta Smith Grange,  
mother of Robbie Stapleton and Mary Fay Grange.*

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

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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.** Worshipful Play Bags are available as you enter the sanctuary. Nursery care is available for children (infants through 3 yrs) on the top floor. Children (through 2nd grade) leave for time together in our Children's Ministry play space following Time as Children. Please pick up your kids after worship and before heading to Fellowship Time. If you are visiting and would like more information about Children and Youth Ministry, please connect with Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org).

**Please join us for fellowship time after worship.** During summer Sundays, we'll gather outside near the parking lot and playground. On Sundays with uncooperative weather, we'll gather in the Fellowship Hall.

**Our next Shared Suppers evenings are September 9 and 10.** 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.

**The FBC Ladies' Book Club** will next meet on Tuesday, September 12th at 6:30 pm to discuss *The Trees* by Percival Everett. Paula Burton will be hosting the group. All ladies are welcome! Please contact Janice Stumpf or Mary Gregg if you have any questions.

**Art on a Journey Exhibition.** You're invited to attend the Art on a Journey Art Show at the Ann Arbor District Library Downtown Branch. The Art on a Journey Art Show displays artwork created by homeless and formerly homeless people. The exhibit runs from August 1 to September 14 in the lower-level display case area. All artwork is for sale (cash only). Artists donate 10% of what they sell to Journey of Faith's homeless ministry. When homeless artists create and sell their art, they gain much needed financial support while making sense of the world and finding meaning and purpose in it — it's a journey we're all on. Learn more at <https://www.artonajourney.gallery/>

**We The People Opportunity Farm** are having their 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Harvest Festival of Thanks event and are seeking volunteers. August 26, 12:00p-3:00p, at 1301 South Harris Rd, Ypsilanti. Tasks Include set up, tear down, check-in/welcome booth, pick up food, serve food, bounce house monitor and more! For more information, contact them at [info@wtpof.org](mailto:info@wtpof.org). To sign up, go to <https://bit.ly/WTPOF>

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



### Calendar

August 26	We the People Opportunity Farm Harvest Festival
September 9 & 10	Shared Suppers
September 10	Home Coming Sunday
September 12	Ladies Book Club @6:30p