



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

10th Sunday after Pentecost
August 6, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Xan Morgan

PRELUDE

My Lord, What a Morning
(African American Spiritual)

Johannes Matthias Michel
(b.1962, German)

*INVOCATION

(*If you are able, please stand)

Julie Smith

*HYMN (see insert)

How Can I Keep from Singing?

ENDLESS SONG

*THE PSALM

from Psalm 5

Julie Smith

One: Give ear to my words, Lord; give heed to my sighing.

All: Listen to the sound of my cry, my Sovereign, my God; for to you I pray.

One: Lord, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I plead my case and watch for you.

All: Lead me, Lord, in your righteousness. Make your way straight before me.

*GLORIA (Hymn 72, sung twice)

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 137:1-6

Julie Smith

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

TIME AS CHILDREN

Xan Morgan

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

All Things Bright and Beautiful (Hymn 147, v.4)

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.

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all things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Cesar Alaniz

SPECIAL MUSIC

Psalm 8

Trad. American Melody
Chris Grapentine, Bass

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic Thy name is,
How great is Thy name in all of the earth,
Who has set Thy glory above the high heavens
And stilleth Thy foes through a child in his birth.
When I think on Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers,
The moon and the stars which Thou hast ordained,
What is man in Thy memory, a man that Thou mindest,
The son of man that Thou cares for him?
Thou hast made us but little lower than angels,
And crowned us with honor and glory.
Thou gavest dominion o'er all of the wide earth,
And all of the creatures that run in the sea.

SERMON

Super Flumina

Rolf Bouma

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS

Amazing Grace

Gilbert M. Martin
(b.1941, American)

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Confession

All: Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

The Lord's Prayer ("debts" - hymnal page 896)

The Bread

The Love of God by Jenifer Cook

The Cup

Jesus Paid It All by John T. Grape

Prayer after Communion

*HYMN 557 (verse 1)

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

I Am Thine, O Lord
(Hymn #419)

Joel Raney
(b.1956, American)

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
and in celebration of Jillian Mast's upcoming birthday,
with love from her parents.*

~ Tom & Sue Ellen Glover ~

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

We welcome **Rolf Bouma** back to the pulpit this morning. Rolf and Sandy Bouma have lived in Ann Arbor since 2002 and joined FBC in September 2022. They have attended First Baptist since Rolf retired from his campus ministry position at the Campus Chapel in 2018. Rolf continues to teach in the Program in the Environment at the University of Michigan.

Pastor Paul is away visiting family and will return to the pulpit on August 13.

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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.

Habitat for Humanity of Huron Valley & FBCA2. The owners of the H4H 2022 projects are living in their new homes and enjoying the fruits of their and our labors. The continued support of FBCA2 has made the many homes possible since 2001 and has contributed seed money for the 2023 homes. Our next FBC Habitat for Humanity workday is August 11. To contribute financially, you can write a check to First Baptist Church ("Good News House" in the memo line). Reach out to Scott Diels (hscottdiels@gmail.com) for information or to sign up.

Church Office Hours this Week. Kat is off this week and the office will be open on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9am to 1pm. The church office and buildings will be closed on Tuesday and Thursday. Kat will be back in the office on August 14.

Parking Lot Repair and Sealing. The parking lot here at church will be closed to all cars on Tuesday (Aug 8) and Wednesday (Aug 9). Rain date for the work is Tuesday and Thursday of the following week.

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 6th 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. To sign up, go to <https://bit.ly/WTPOF>

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



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Calendar

August 8	FBCA2 Office & Buildings Closed
August 10	FBCA2 Office & Buildings Closed Board of Christian Education Meeting @5:30p on Zoom Board of Mission Action Meeting @7:00p on Zoom
August 11	FBC/Habitat for Humanity Work Day
August 26	We the People Opportunity Farm Harvest Festival
September 12	Ladies Book Club @6:30p