



FIRST BAPTIST

CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Pentecost Sunday

May 24, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING

Gretchen Sanewsky

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Betsy Foote

One: Holy Spirit, bring life to this day.

Many: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

One: Holy Spirit, let the earth spring forth.

Many: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

One: Holy Spirit, embolden this church.

Many: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

One: Holy Spirit, put fire in our hearts for worship.

Many: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

PRELUDE

Komm, Gott Schöpfer, heilger Geist
(Come, God Creator, Holy Spirit)

Johann Philipp Kirnberger
(1721-1783)

*OPENING PRAYER

Betsy Foote

*THE PSALM

from Psalm 104

Betsy Foote

One: O Lord, how manifold are your works!

Many: In wisdom you have made them all.

One: All living things look to you for their food;

Many: Season by season.

One: When you open your hand, life is filled with good things;

Many: When you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust.

One: When you send forth your spirit, they are created.

Many: Your spirit renews the face of the earth.

One: May the glory of the Lord endure forever;

Many: May God delight forever in God's creations.

*HYMN (see insert)

Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow

ABERSTWYTH

(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

*OLD TESTAMENT READING

Numbers 11:24-30

Betsy Foote

One: The Word of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA (Hymn 72, sung twice)

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

TIME AS CHILDREN

Abby Schottley

(children through 5th grade come up)

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

There's a sweet, sweet spirit in this place,
and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
there are sweet expressions on each face,
and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
when we shall leave this place.

(Following Time as Children, kids (through 5th grade) will leave for Church School.)

SHARING OUR MISSION ACTION

DJ Reed, Chair of Mission Action
and Lindsay Calka and Pony Bush, Groundcover

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Gretchen Sanewsky

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2:1-21

Gretchen Sanewsky

One: The Word of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

arr. by William L. Dawson

Isaac Thompson, *baritone soloist*

Ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray;
Yes, 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.
Ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray;
Yes, ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.
Jordan river is chilly an' cold, it chills the body, but not the soul;
There ain't but one train upon this track, it runs to heaven an right back.
Ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray;
Yes, ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.

SERMON

Powered by a Called Community

Gretchen Sanewsky

SILENT REFLECTION

INVITATION TO GIVING

Gretchen Sanewsky

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 living words of truth which all may hear,
 the language 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!

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100TH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God all creatures here below;
 Praise God above you heavenly hosts;
 Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Gretchen Sanewsky

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.***HYMN (see insert)**

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

*CANTERBURY****BENEDICTION**

Gretchen Sanewsky

POSTLUDE

O Day Full of Grace
 (Danish tune: Den signede Dag)

Wayne L. Wold
 (b.1954, American)

*Please stand in body or spirit

*The flowers on the chancel are given to the glory of God
In honor of Ashley Harrison's birthday today.*

~ Cindy Harrison ~

We pray for the family and friends of **Archibald McLellan** (grandfather of Nick McLellan). We also pray for **Pidgey Karolyi, Paula Burton, Jon VanderVliet, Mary Margaret Hatt, Emily Wright, Erica Diels, Ed Parmentier, Katherine Cartee, Marilyn McKenzie, Keith Pickelmann, Marlene Francis, Roberta Hause, Mervyn Juchartz, Esther Floyd, Marilyn Marsh, Helga Mortensen, Cindy Okarski, Greg DuBois, Keith Maurer, and Beth Granberry.**

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.



Join us downstairs after worship. We'd love to connect!

We welcome Rev. Gretchen Sanewsky (she/her) to the pulpit this morning.

Gretchen Sanewsky, and her daughter Kylen, have been members of First Baptist for ten years. She is a graduate of Cornell University, Palmer Theological Seminary, and she holds a graduate certificate in Health Administration from Eastern Michigan University. Gretchen spent 23 years of her career as a Pastor, serving churches in New York State and First Baptist Church of Jackson, Michigan. Immediately following her ministry in Jackson, she was the Director of Outreach for Huron Valley PACE serving older adults with chronic health conditions. Gretchen currently serves as the Executive Director of The Arc of Northwest Wayne County, a nonprofit providing advocacy and support to people with disabilities. She is a native of Canada but has spent many years in New York State and Michigan. She has three adult children and a brand new daughter-in-law. Next Sunday, we welcome Rev. Rolf Bouma to the pulpit.

Children's Ministry. All children are welcome in worship; Worshipful Play Bags are available as you enter the sanctuary. Nursery care is available for children (infant - 3 years). Children through 5th grade leave for Children's Ministry following Time as Children. Due to the holiday weekend, there is no children's choir today. Please pick up your children after worship.

The Youth Group for students in grades 6-12. We are not meeting for Youth Group this week, and we encourage our youth to attend the formation gathering in the lounge. For more information, please contact Jillian Mast (jillian@fbca2.org).

Mission Sunday. Today we welcome Lindsay Calka, who is the director and publisher of Groundcover. Joining Lindsay Calka is Pony Bush, a beloved part of our church family and a committed vendor for Groundcover for many years. Groundcover News is a 501(c)(3) organization founded in April 2010 as a means to empower low-income persons to make the transitions from homeless to housed, and from jobless to employed. Groundcover News exists to provide economic

opportunities for self-determined individuals impacted by poverty, produce a street newspaper that gives a platform to underrepresented voices in Washtenaw County, and promote an action to build a just, caring and inclusive society. For more information, visit <https://insp.ngo/>. Please join us in the Memorial Lounge at 11:30a during our Adult Formation Hour where Lindsay will be informing us about their work with children and families experiencing homelessness. Also, please see the information table in the Fellowship Hall for information about Groundcover and their work in the community.

Sunday Young-Ish Adult Gathering. If you consider yourself to be a young-ish adult (roughly 20s - 40s), there's a small group for you! While the group is not officially meeting regularly over the summer, there will be occasional gatherings planned as folks are available. If you'd like to join our email list to get notified of our gatherings, contact Meg Suell (meghansuell@gmail.com), Valerie Francia (valerie1francia@gmail.com), or Jamie Mills (jamie.mills08@yahoo.com).



Online Photo Directory. As a way to welcome Pastor Laura Harris-Adam, and to allow us all to put faces with names and feel more at home in our congregation, we are encouraging everyone to update our online photo directory! We use Servant Keeper for our online directory, as we use this software already for our giving statements.

Scan this QR code to register/login to your account to update your information and add a photo to your profile. Reach out to Christina Alaniz (cnalaniz@umich.edu) if you need any help!

Wednesday Bible Study meets at 1:00p. The group will read and discuss the Bible passages for the upcoming Sunday. Our last session is May 27 before we break for the summer. Please join us.

American Baptist Women's Ministries of Michigan Retreat. Please think about attending our annual conference June 5-7, 2026 at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt Michigan! A wonderful place to rest and rejuvenate your spiritual health. For more information, see Carolyn Grapentine (csgrape@aol.com) for details!

Land Acknowledgement. We acknowledge that we are gathered on the ancestral homeland of the Anishinaabe people of the Three Fires Confederacy - the Ojibwe, Ottawa & Potawatomi - and the Wyandot, and that this unceded land is still sacred to them.



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 25 Memorial Day – Office & Building closed
May 27 Bible Study @1:00p
May 28 Choir Rehearsal @7:00p

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