



FIRST BAPTIST

CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 7, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING Xan Morgan

PRELUDE *Jesus, meine Zuversicht* Edvard Grieg
(Jesus, My Confidence) (1843-1907, Norwegian)

***OPENING PRAYER** Grace VanderVliet

***HYMN** (see insert, vv. 1-2) Be Thou My Vision SLANE
(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Allen Burton
The Lord's Prayer ("debts" – hymnal page 896)

***GLORIA** (Hymn 72, sung once)
Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria! Alleluia! Alleluia!
(Children through 5th grade come up)

TIME AS CHILDREN Xan Morgan
(Following Time as Children, kids (through 5th grade) will leave Summer Children's Ministry in the Play Space.)

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 12:1-9 Brian Burton
One: The Word of God for the People of God
All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON *The Secret to Going, Without Knowing* Brian Burton

SILENT REFLECTION

INVITATION TO GIVING Xan Morgan

OFFERING OF GIFTS *How can I keep from singing?* arr. by Alan Bullard
Isaac Thompson, *baritone*

My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation;
I hear the clear though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.
Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing;
It finds an echo in my soul, how can I keep from singing?

What though the tempest loudly roars, I know my Saviour liveth;
Although the darkness binds me close, deep in the night sweet songs he giveth.
His inner peace makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing;
Since love is Lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

LJ Brazier & Xan Morgan

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

The Bread & Cup (see insert) Let Us Break Bread Together *LET US BREAK BREAD*

The Prayer of Blessing

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

*HYMN (see insert, v. 1)

Blest Be the Tie that Binds

DENNIS

BENEDICTION

Joyce Eilers Bacak

POSTLUDE

Toccata in G Major, BuxWV 165 (Excerpt) Dieterich Buxtehude
(1637-1707, German)

*Please stand in body or spirit

*The flowers on the chancel are a colorful floral arrangement
in celebration of the LGBTQIA+ community
and all those that Pride-fully embrace living in full color.*

~ Amanda Shutko~

We pray for **Grange Burnside, Pidgey Karolyi, Kathy Mortensen, 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.**

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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.



Join us outside for lemonade after the service. We'd love to connect!

We welcome Rev. Brian Burton (he/him) to the pulpit this morning. Brian Burton is Native of Little Rock where he serves as CEO of the Arkansas Foodbank. He is an Ordained Baptist minister with an MDiv from Southern Seminary and an MBA from LSU. He has 30 years of experience in nonprofit sector and formerly minister to adults at Wilshire Baptist Church in Dallas. He shares his home with Lucy, a Jack Russell terrier mix who often attends church with Brian. Next Sunday, we welcome Rev. DJ Reed 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 through 3 years) upstairs. Children who have completed 5th grade and younger, leave for Summer Children's Ministry following Time as Children in the Play Space upstairs and should be picked up after worship. If you are visiting and would like more information about Children's Ministry, please connect with Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org).

The Youth Group for students in grades 6-12. Youth group on Sundays will resume in the fall. Keep an eye out for youth activities this summer. For more information, please contact Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org).

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).

A note from Jillian. Dear church family, As our regular Christian Ed programming has ended for the school year, I will be transitioning out of my role as Associate for Youth Ministry and my duties will end in June. I have cherished my time with everyone in Youth Group and it has been incredibly nurturing for my soul to walk with these special young people on this part of their faith journey. My veterinary work schedule and my single parent duties have become increasingly more demanding and I need to center my focus on these commitments at this time.

As a lifelong member of FBCA2, I know how important the Youth Group is to our congregation. I will remain active as a volunteer Youth Group mentor and am always available to any Youth Group member if you want to reach out for support, encouragement, laughs, and love. - Jillian

Thank you, Jillian. It is with immense gratitude that we say good-bye to Jillian as Associate for Youth Ministry. Jillian stepped in to lead our youth with energy, skill and love; our teens have been blessed by her leadership, as have we all. As she takes on more responsibility and hours in her work as a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine we wish her all the best, grateful that she will continue to be a member of our Youth Ministry Team. As Pastor Laura joins us, she and the Personnel Committee and Board of Christian Education will lead the effort to fill Jillian's rather sizable shoes! Thank you, dear Jillian! - Robbie Stapleton for Board of Christian Education



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!

Habitat for Humanity FBC Workdays. Our FBC Saturday workday is June 27th, and our Friday workday is Aug 21st. The FBC volunteers will work with another Good News group congregation to provide labor and perhaps lunches on work days. If you have the time and wish to volunteer during the week go to the Good News house website: H4H.org/goodnewsgroup for home page and H4H.org/goodnewsvolunteer for signing waivers.

As in past years, our congregation has also committed financial support to the project. We are asking you to contribute as you have in the past to aid this effort to provide affordable housing in our community. We have committed to raising \$2500 in 2026. Checks can be written to FBC, with H4H in the memo line. Reach out to Scott Diels if you have any questions.

A Service of Sending. At the invitation of First Baptist Indianapolis, Bill and Beth Foster, Scott and I attended their Service of Sending for Pastor Laura. We were warmly welcomed despite their sorrow at her departure. With lovely words and actions, the church released Laura from her call there and commissioned her to come to us. Bill and I shared greetings from Ann Arbor, our excitement over Laura and her family's arrival, and our prayer that they prosper in God's work through their own transition. (from Mary Davis)

Summer Hours. For the month of June, the main office and building will be open Tuesdays-Thursdays from 8:30a-12:30p and Fridays from 9a-1p. Kat, our Office Administrator, will also be available by phone on Mondays from 8:30a-12:30p.

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

June 7	Worship @10:00a
June 14	Worship @10:00a
June 15	Executive Council Meeting @5:30p
June 21	Worship @10:00a
June 27	Habitat for Humanity workday