



FIRST BAPTIST

CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

4th Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING Xan Morgan

PRELUDE *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Johannes Matthias Michel
(b.1962, German)

***OPENING PRAYER** Amanda Shutko

***HYMN** (see insert, vv. 1, 3) I Need Thee Every Hour *NEED*
(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

***RESPONSIVE PSALM** from Psalm 86 Amanda Shutko

One: Incline your ear, O Lord;

Many: Answer us, for we are all in need.

One: Preserve our lives, for we are devoted to you.

Many: To you do we cry continually.

One: For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving;

Many: You abound in steadfast love.

One: There are none like you among the gods;

Many: Your works are without equal.

One: You are great and do wonderful things;

Many: You alone are God.

One: Turn to us and be gracious to us with strength;

Many: Save us, O Lord!

***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 for Summer Children's Ministry in the Play Space.)

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

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 21:8-21 Amanda Shutko
One: The Word of God for the People of God
All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Preserve My Life* Phil Christman

SILENT REFLECTION

INVITATION TO GIVING

Phil Christman

OFFERING OF GIFTS

Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child

Spiritual

Chris Grapentine, soloist

Sometimes I feel like a motherless child
Sometimes I feel like a motherless child
Sometimes I feel like a motherless child
A long way from home, a long way from home
Sometimes I feel like I'm almost gone
Sometimes I feel like I'm almost gone
Sometimes I feel like I'm almost gone
Git down on my knees and pray and pray
Git down on my knees and pray

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Greeting: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

*HYMN (see insert, vv.1-2, 5)

Lord, Speak to Me

CANONBURY

BENEDICTION

Phil Christman

POSTLUDE

Praeludium in E-flat Major (Excerpt)

Georg Dietrich Leyding
(1664-1710, German)

*Please stand in body or spirit

*The flowers on the chancel are given to the glory of God
in memory of my brother, William Shannon, on his birthday.*

~ Carol Shannon ~

We pray for **Grange Burnside, Pidgey Karolyi, Kathy Mortensen, Paula Burton, Jon VanderVliet, Mary Margaret Hatt, Erica Diels, 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 outside for lemonade after the service. We'd love to connect!

We welcome Phil Christman (he/him) to the pulpit this morning. Phil Christman is a writer and a lecturer in the English Department Writing Program at University of Michigan. During the past year, he has led The Gathering, First Baptist's student ministry, and has taught or co-taught adult education sessions on advent poetry, the seven deadly sins, and his own recent book, *Why Christians Should Be Leftists* (2025). Next Sunday, we welcome Robbie Stapleton 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).

Welcome Party for Pastor Laura and her family! This spring we called Rev. Laura Harris-Adam to be our next pastor here at First Baptist Church of Ann Arbor. Pastor Laura's first Sunday preaching is July 5th. The following Sunday, July 12th from 4-6p we'll have a big party to celebrate! Please mark your calendar; more info to come! We are looking for a few folks to partner with Xan Morgan in the planning. Interested? Connect with Xan Morgan (xan@fbca2.org).



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 (hscottdiels@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

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 21	Worship @10:00a
June 24	Bd. of Outreach Meeting @7:00p
June 25	Bd. of Christian Education Meeting 1:30p
June 27	Habitat for Humanity workday
June 28	Worship @10:00a
July 5	Pastor Laura Harris-Adam's first Sunday!
July 12	Welcome Party for Pastor Laura from 4-6p
July 12	Worship @10:00a

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