

The First Baptist Church at Worship
7TH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY
February 20, 2022 ~ 10:00 AM



THE PRELUDE

Gregory Land, Organist
William Henry Caldwell, Soloist

Three Spirituals for Organ Raymond H. Haan

Steal Away to Jesus
My Lord, What a Morning
Let Us Break Bread Together

He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word (Crucifixion) arr. Moses Hogan

*Wasn't it a pity and a shame? And He never said a mumbalin' word, not a word.
They pierced Him in the side, and He never said a mumbalin' word, not a word.
His blood came trickalin' down, and He never said a mumbalin' word, not a word.
He bowed His head and died, and He never said a mumbalin' word, not a word.
Not a word, not a word, not a word.*

My Good Lord's Done Been Here arr. Moses Hogan

*My good Lord's done been here, blest my soul and gone away, my good Lord's done been here,
blest my soul and gone. Never did I think that He was so nigh, blest my soul, and gone; He spoke and
He made me laugh and cry, blest my soul and gone. Sinner better min' how you walk on the cross, blest my
soul and gone, your foot might slip and your soul get lost, blest my soul, and gone. My good Lord's done been
here, blest my soul and gone away, my good Lord's done been here, blest my soul and gone.*

In Praise to the Lord

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

A three-fold ringing of three signifies the presence of the triune God:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

CHORAL INTROIT

Chancel Choir

This Is the Day Michael Kenneth Ross

*This is the day which the Lord hath made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Let us rejoice, let us rejoice! Amen*

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#536 *Lord, You Call Us to Your Service*
LAUDA ANIMA

Stephen P. West is a husband, father, minister, musician, and writer. Along with his wife Sandy, also an ordained elder, he serves as a pastor in the North Alabama Conference of the United Methodist Church. Coming from a long line of Methodist clergy, he finds that, with Augustine, singing is his way of 'praying twice.' As a vocalist, pianist, and trombonist he has performed in major choral works and played in local musical theater productions. He leads singing at the piano for Annual Conference, clergy retreats, and events such as SoulFeast at Junaluska. He has coordinated liturgy and led music at Academies for Spiritual Formation in Alabama, Florida, Wisconsin, Iowa, Indiana, and Singapore. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Birmingham-Southern.

Listening for the Word of God

PSALTER LESSON

Rev. Mark Craig

Psalm 37:1-11: Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers, for they will soon fade like the grass, and wither like the green herb. Trust in the LORD, and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security. Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act. He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday. Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices. Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath. Do not fret--it leads only to evil. For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land. Yet a little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look diligently for their place, they will not be there. But the meek shall inherit the land, and delight themselves in abundant prosperity.

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God!

*GOSPEL LESSON

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Luke.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

Luke 6:27-36: "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us.

People: Thanks be to God!

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN (See pg. 7)

O Jesus, I Have Promised
ANGEL'S STORY

John Ernest Bode was an Anglican clergyman serving a small parish near Cambridge, England when his three children, a daughter and two sons, were ready for confirmation. Bode not only presided over their confirmation, but also wrote this hymn especially for the occasion telling the children that the hymn included "all the important truths I want you to remember."

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

(Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Message during the last stanza of the fellowship hymn.

Following the message they may go to Sunday school—PreK-3 graders will be downstairs in Rm. 4, and 4-6 graders will be in the 1st Floor Parlor. Parents are asked to pick up their children after worship.)

CALL TO PRAYER (See pg. 8)

O Lord, Hear Our Prayer
Stephen F. Key

**O Lord, hear our prayer. O Lord, hear our prayer. Grant the desires within Your will.
Help us to wait and just be still. O Lord, please hear our prayer. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND
THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts/Debtors)

Rev. David Coggins

ANTHEM

William Henry Caldwell, Soloist

Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child arr. Moses Hogan

*Sometimes I feel like a motherless child, a long way from home.
Sometimes I feel like I'm almos' gone, a long way from home.*

Walk Together Children arr. Moses Hogan

*Oh, walk together children, don't you get weary, there's a great camp meeting in the promised land.
Gonna walk, sing, and shout and never tire, (yer). There's a great camp meeting in the promised land.*

THE SERMON

Rev. Alspaugh

"On Loving Enemies"

The Response of God's People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#52 O Worship the King
LYONS

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." These may be some of the best-known words in the Bible, but in 1835, Robert Grant wrote a text that helps us see the creation story in a new light. His meditation on the creation theme of Psalm 104 consists of six verses that parallel the six days of creation. But rather than simply paraphrase the psalm or the first two books of the Bible, Grant focuses on how creation is a testimony to God's "measureless might." And Grant's beautiful text doesn't stop at Genesis Two. Rather, in the fourth and fifth verses we celebrate God's saving grace to his creation. When God took that seventh day of rest, he was not signaling an end. He continued to bless His creation, even those as feeble and frail as us. In the last verse, Grant points to Christ as the ultimate reconciler of a broken, but still beautiful creation. An original last stanza that we no longer sing reads, "The humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall lisp to Thy praise."

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Alspaugh

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go Ye Now in Peace
Joyce Eiler

*Go ye now in peace, and know that the love of God will guide you.
Feel his presence here beside you. He will see you through.
Go ye now in peace. Go ye now in peace.*

POSTLUDE

William Henry Caldwell, Soloist
Gregory Land, Piano

Deep River arr. Moses Hogan

*Deep river, my home is over Jordan. Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.
Oh, don't you want to go to the Gospel feast; that Promised Land, where all is peace?
O, deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.*

(*) You're invited to rise in body or in spirit!

Please drop your offering and yellow card in the basket as you leave. Thank you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our in-person worship! If you are visiting, we would love to get to know you. Please fill out a yellow card with your contact information and a pastor will be happy to get in touch with you. Anyone is welcome to use these cards to communicate with our office and share prayer requests or other information, too. We have baskets for our offering and communication cards at our entrances/exits.

COVID-19 Practices: Due to the high spread of COVID-19 by way of the very contagious omicron variant, we ask that everyone, vaccinated and unvaccinated, please wear a mask and practice physical distancing during our worship and Sunday School times.

We continue to **livestream and video record** our Sunday worship service through our YouTube channel. This can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/> and look for First Baptist Church Dayton Ohio, or check our website (<http://www.fbcd Dayton.org/>). Live zoom gatherings are usually held on the first Sunday of the month at 5:00PM unless otherwise announced. This is a time to connect with one another, pray, and have a lesson. Anyone is welcome to join us through any of these venues as we try to reach people in safe and meaningful ways.

Prayer for the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials and temptations, give them courage to face the perils which beset them, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

(If you have someone you'd like to add or remove, please let us know.)

Elizabeth Ard	Lavanda Ferguson	Bill Salyers
Paige Bartlett	Joel Frydman	Judy See
Marlen Berghuis	Bev Harrell	Judy Smith
Jessica Blair	Linda Haskins	Chas Snyder
Don Brown	Barbara Jett	Sutton Family
Melinda Brown	Anna Frances Lasley	Anita Suro
Robert Brown	Brad Lawson	Kaye Suryk
Tami Malone Charles	Jerry Lawson	Emily Taylor
June Collier	Trish Lawson	Anne Veghte
Ruth Cook	Steve Liss	<i>Healthcare Workers</i>
Pamela Cress	Kelly Family	<i>Police & Fire Fighters</i>
Dilworth Family	Tim Meador	Military Duty:
Florida Dixon	Arthur Merkle	Sunny Ewald
Downs Family	John D. & Shirley Nash	Brittany Kalbfleisch
Jim Earnest	Mary Ann Paloncy	Will Radachi
Neil Earnest	Susan Reichard	Andy Wilson

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Week of Feb. 20 – 27

Sun. 20	10:00a	.....	Worship Service
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	.....	Sunday School Classes / Activities
Wed. 23	2:00p	.....	Bible Study
Thu. 24	7:00p	.....	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sun. 27	10:00a	.....	Worship Service
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	.....	Sunday School Classes / Activities
	4:00p	.....	Equity in Justice

Baptist Youth Fellowship (BYF) Gatherings
Sunday, February 13th and March 13th @ 12:15-2:30pm

(NOTE: No gatherings on Feb. 27th or March 27th)

Our BYF (grades 6-12) continues to gather here at First Baptist on the second and fourth Sundays of the month (unless otherwise noted). We gather to share in food, fellowship, faith conversations and generally good fun. Friends are always welcome. We just ask that they turn in a completed and signed BYF Medical-Transportation form, which is available from Pastor Jason (jalspaugh@fbccdayton.org). And if you have any questions or would like to help provide a meal for the group some time, please contact Pastor Jason.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING

Understanding the Black Church in America

Led by Rev. David Coggins

Sundays @ 11:30am in the 1st Floor Chapel

Feb 20: A Liberationist Movement

Feb 27: A (New) Liberationist Theology w/guest Rev. Marva Hughes

In concert with the celebration of Black History Month at FBC, the Adult Sunday School class will focus its attention on understanding the Black Church in America. Based upon the writings of leaders in the African American community the class will present a survey of the social and religious development history of the Black Church in America. In particular the class will be structured around the four movements of the Black Church as identified by Raphael Warnock, senior pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, who is also the recently elected senator representing Georgia. Other contributions to the class come from the writings of Martin Luther King, Jr., E Franklin Frazier, C. Eric Lincoln and Clarence Jones.

Heritage Committee

Collection of Reflections:

Our Faith Journeys at Dayton First Baptist

Another reminder to submit your written reflections. If you would prefer to be interviewed, why not consider setting an appointment with Donna for after the service one Sunday. Interviews usually last 30-40 minutes and are recorded and then a transcript is made of the interview. You can contact Donna Curry directly at 937 470 5643 or donna.curry@wright.edu. If you phone and don't get an answer, please leave a voice mail.

COMING IN MARCH ~ NEW ADULT EDUCATION CLASS

"From the World to Dayton: Global Christianity in Our Congregation

Facilitator: Pastor Kent Berghuis

Sundays @ 11:30am / 1st Floor Chapel / March 6 – 27

Participants:

- March 6: Okway Omot, from Ethiopia
- March 13: Tarun Joga, from India
- March 20: Timothy Mattackal, Indian-American
- March 27: Tathiane Sampaio Tadin Ayers, from Brazil

During March we will highlight the stories of several people in our church who have fascinating international connections in their family backgrounds. Some of these people may be newer to some of us, and this will give us a chance to get to know one another better. Their insights into both international and American Christianity will enrich us as we consider the global nature of today's world. Our presenters will be prepared to answer some questions as well as engage in conversation with the class. It's a small world, after all, and we will all be better for knowing it from all angles!

INTERFAITH FORUM OF GREATER DAYTON

Equity in Justice

A Faith Perspective

Sunday, February 27 @ 4:00-5:30pm

Hybrid/In-Person at First Baptist Church of Dayton

Join panelists Dr. Derrick Forward, Sheherazadh Ishaq, and Rev. Alice Diebel

for a lively and information discussion

(Zoom meeting ID 820-7871-9830, passcode 969931)

MARCH OFFERING

America for Christ Offering 2022

“Testimony”

“I will praise you and testify about what you have done.” Psalm 22:22

American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) is promoting the America for Christ Offering 2022, which seeks to raise \$1,000,000 to support American Baptist mission and ministry across the United States and Puerto Rico. Your generous gifts support our mission—connecting our partners to cultivate leaders and equip disciples who bring healing and transformation to communities across our nation and Puerto Rico. Your contributions share God’s love by:

Cultivating Leaders – Strong leaders advance the mission of faith communities

Equipping Disciples – Broadening the understanding of what it means to be a follower of Jesus

Healing Communities – We believe the power of Christian love can, and will, change the world.

Jesus’ two greatest commandments are to love God and to love people—the essence of discipleship and what it means to be a Christian. Through your generous support, you become the hands and feet of Jesus, serving those in need throughout the U.S. and Puerto Rico with transformational ministries of ABHMS. Special offering envelopes will be available in the pew racks next month.

Matthew 25 Clothing Bin

A Matthew 25 Ministries clothing bin is located in the church parking lot near the garden. Items to be placed in the bin include: New and gently-used clothing and shoes; new underwear and socks; new and gently-used household linens (towels, curtains, sheets, comforters, totes, aprons, backpacks).

Secret Place Booklets

The new Secret Place booklets are available now and located in the literature racks in the narthex and in the hallway near the church office.

El Salvador Scholarships

If you are sponsoring a student from El Salvador and are paying yearly, now is the time to do that.

If you are paying monthly, please continue to do so. Thank you!

FELLOWSHIP HYMN

O Jesus, I Have Promised

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1. O Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end;
 2. O let me feel thee near me! The world is ev - er near;
 3. O let me hear thee speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,
 4. O Je - sus, thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low thee

be thou for-ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend.
 I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt-ing sounds I hear;
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
 that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be.

I shall not fear the bat - tle if thou art by my side,
 my foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 And Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way if thou wilt be my guide.
 but Je - sus, draw thou near - er, and shield my soul from sin.
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard - ian of my soul.
 O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my Friend.

WORDS: John E. Bode, ca. 1866 (Lk. 9:57)
 MUSIC: Arthur H. Mann, 1881

ANGEL'S STORY
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CALL TO PRAYER

657 O LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

*Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.
Psalm 54:2*

The musical score is written in 3/4 time and G major. It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "O Lord, hear our prayer. O Lord, hear our prayer. Grant the de - sires with - in Your will. Help us to wait and just be still. O Lord, please hear our prayer. A - men." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

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