The First Baptist Church at Worship THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT COMMUNION SUNDAY

March 7, 2021

THE PRELUDE

R. Alan Kimbrough, Organist

Prelude on "Rockingham" ("When I Survey the Wondrous Cross")

C. Hubert H. Parry

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.

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

*OPENING HYMN (See pg. 7)

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation REGENT SQUARE

While originally an unaccompanied plainsong melody, the hymn commonly sung to either the tune of *Westminster Abbey*, adapted from the final section of Henry Purcell's anthem *O God, thou art my God*, or the tune of *Regent Square* composed by Henry Smart. The texts of modern versions of the hymn vary substantially from Neale's original translations. The hymn was sung during the marriage ceremonies of Princess Margaret and Antony Armstrong-Jones in 1960, and Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer in 1981.

The Right Hand of Fellowship

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Today we extend the Right Hand of Fellowship to:

Jeffrey L. Perkins

Jeffrey joins by Statement of Faith. His faith partner is Brad Kallenberg.

Listening for the Word of God

*GOSPEL LESSON Rev. David Coggins

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to John.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ.

John 2:13-22: The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them,

"Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Jason Alspaugh

CALL TO PRAYER (See pg. 8)

#386 v.1 *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* ST. AGNES

Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast, but sweeter far Thy face to see, and in Thy presence rest.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Coggins

SPECIAL MUSIC

First Baptist Quartet Jennifer Mills, Jeanne Kallenberg, Tia Seay, Connie Holmen

Spirit Song arr. James Abbington

Oh, let the Song of God enfold you, with his Spirit and his Love, Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. Oh, let Him have the things that hold you, and His Spirit like a dove, Will descend upon your life, and make you whole. Oh, come and sing this song with gladness, as your hearts are filled with joy, Lift your hands I sweet surrender to His name. Oh, give Him all your tears and sadness, give Him all your years of pain, and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. Jesus, Oh, Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

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THE SERMON Rev. Dr. Berghuis

"The Temple of Jesus' Body"

Holy Communion

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Rev. Alspaugh

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SHARING THE BREAD & CUP

#600 *O How He Loves You and Me* (PATRICIA) (See pg. **9**)

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts and Debtors)

The Response of God's People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE (See pg. 10)

#183 In the Cross of Christ I Glory RATHBUN

It is said that Sir John Bowring once visited Macao, on the South Chinese coast and was greatly impressed by a bronze cross on the summit of an old massive wall that at one time had been a large cathedral. It was built by the early Portuguese colonists but had been destroyed by a typhoon. The only thing remaining was the metal cross on top of the one remaining wall. The scene impressed Bowring to the extent that it inspired him to write this hymn.

BENEDICTION William Henry Caldwell

POSTLUDE R. Alan Kimbrough

Rigaudon Jean Baptiste Lully

(*) 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!





The Right Hand of Fellowship

Receiving the Right Hand of Fellowship

Deacon: In the presence of God and these witnesses, having professed your faith in

Jesus Christ, do you now give yourself unreservedly to Christ's service, and enter into the fellowship, the joys, and the responsibilities of membership in this

church?

Response: I do.

Congregation: As members of this church, we gladly welcome you into the hopes, the labors,

and the joys of the Church of Jesus Christ. We promise to walk with you in Christian love and sympathy, and to promote, as far as in us lies, your growth in

the Christian life.

Deacon: "So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with

the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into the Holy temple of the Lord."

(Ephesians 2:12-21)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Note! Please wear a mask over your mouth and nose, use hand sanitizer, and remain socially distanced from those outside your family group when entering and exiting. Please only enter and exit from the sanctuary and do not go to other areas of the church. If a restroom visit is required, please use the downstairs rooms.

Please fill out a **yellow card** to indicate your attendance, along with the pew number where you are sitting, in case we need to get in touch with you for contact tracing in the event that someone who attends become positive for COVID-19 soon afterward. Adjustments to our service include no offertory, but rather you will be able to leave your offering as you enter/exit. We are not singing aloud, though our musicians will provide hymns when you can read along, sing in your heart or hum quietly with your mask on.

We plan to **livestream** our Sunday worship service to 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.fbcdayton.org/) for later viewing. We will hold our live **Zoom Gathering** Sunday evening at 5:00 PM. 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.

AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING

The theme for the AFC 2021 Offering is "For the Purpose of Equipping Saints" based on Ephesians 4:11-13: "The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry."

Your generous AFC 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.

Offering envelopes are available in the pew racks. Please give generously to reach our goal of \$700.

Lenten Booklets

There are printed copies of the Lenten booklet available in the narthex and also on the table by the church office.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA ZOOM "Songs of Lent" Sundays @ 5:00pm February 21-March 28

During Lent, Pastor Jason will lead our Sunday evening Zoom Gathering in a series of reflections on some of the songs that are traditionally sung in this season. We will consider our own connections to the songs, the context in which the songs were written, as well as the songs' biblical and theological underpinnings. Below is a list of the songs we'll be discussing so that you can listen to them and reflect on the lyrics ahead of time. We hope you'll join us!

NOTE: There is a recurring link for this weekly Zoom gathering: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87556966746

Feb. 21	What Wondrous Love Is This
Feb. 28	All Glory, Laud, and Honor
Mar. 7	Go to Dark Gethsemane
Mar. 14	When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Mar. 21	O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
Mar. 28	Were You There & Jesus, Remember Me

Building Bridges Bible Study Thursdays @ 7:30-8:30am via Zoom

Our Thursday morning Bible study--which we've called "Building Bridges" these past several years--has continued to meet throughout the pandemic (mostly online via Zoom, but also outdoors when the weather is warm enough). And I'd like to send a renewed invitation to any and all early birds who would like to join us for a time of discussion centered on a selected passage of Scripture. Often the Scriptures spark conversations about things in our lives and important matters of the day, so there's no telling exactly where the Spirit will lead us. But it's always a good time, and we invite you to grab a cup of coffee or tea, and join us. Currently, we are meeting via Zoom, and you can email me (Pastor Jason) for that information at jalspaugh@fbcdayton.org.

COVID Vaccinations

Have you made plans for a COVID vaccination yet? Roger Stephens and Gina Greenwood have graciously offered to help people navigate the system so if you have questions, please contact Roger at isteph40@aol.com or 937-470-1972, or contact Gina at ginalee628@gmail.com or 937-750-1014.

LOOKING AHEAD...

March 14: Daylight Saving Time Begins (Spring forward one hour)

March 14: Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 17: Executive Council Meeting via Zoom, 6:30pm

March 20: First Day of Spring
March 21: Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 28: Palm Sunday
April 1: Maundy Thursday
April 2: Good Friday

April 4: Easter Sunday / Communion Sunday April 21: Executive Council Meeting, 6:30pm

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.)

Harry Alsup Neil Earnest Helen Sutton Paige Bartlett **Emily Taylor** Lavanda Ferguson Marlen Berghuis Ken Gordon Torrey Thrash Jessica Blair Bev Harrell Anne Veghte Don Brown Linda Haskins Sara Vice Jessica Brown Barbara Jett Waldrop Family Robert Brown **Doris Landis** Janay Webster William Caldwell Anna Frances Lasley Zachery Williamson Lynn Chadbourne Vincent Liss Peggie Worthey Tami Malone Charles Tim Meador Healthcare Workers Andy Collier Arthur Merkle **Police & Fire Fighters** Marilyn Craig Mary Ann Paloncy Military Duty: Pamela Cress Susan Reichard Sebastian Ewald Martha DeBold Judy See Sunny Ewald Florida Dixon Judy Smith Brittany Kalbfleisch Jim Earnest Michelle Smith Andy Wilson

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING 2021

For the Purpose of Equipping Saints



Ministry focus: Leadership Empowerment

Through American Baptist Home Mission Societies' Co-Creators Incubator, individuals with innovative ministry ideas—called Co-Creators—meet as a cohort. They are then paired with mentors possessing expertise in entrepreneurship, theological framing, leadership development, networking, congregational support, missiology and strategic thinking. Their meeting is one of storytelling, collaboration and experimentation. At "Demo Day," Co-Creators pitch their ideas to Creative Partners who may choose to provide ongoing support and resources to nurture the ideas.





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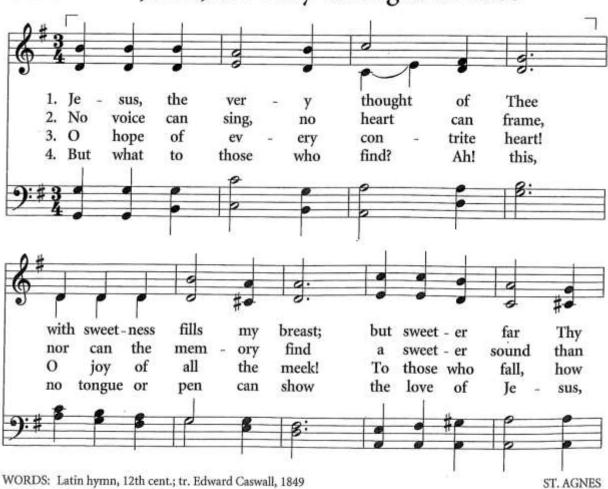
OPENING HYMN

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MUSIC: John B. Dykes, 1866

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COMMUNION HYMN

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HYMN OF RESPONSE



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