

The Gathering

THE PRELUDE Gregory Land, Organist

Fanfare for the Common Man Aaron Copland
Yankee Doodle Anonymous
A Shaker Hymn Tune "Simple Gifts"
setting by James Southbridge
Variations on "America" (1891) Charles Ives

In Praise to the Lord

ACOLYTES BRING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE SANCTUARY
TO LIGHT THE CANDLES

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 Rev. Jason Alspaugh, Leader

Leader: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the
greatest and first commandment.

**People: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these
two commandments hang all the law and the
prophets.**

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN (SEE INSERT) *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*
LAUDA ANIMA

In the mid-nineteenth century, the pressure was on hymn writers to keep their versifications of psalms as close to the Scriptural text as possible. Henry F. Lyte would have none of this however, and boldly published a book of psalm paraphrases entitled *Spirit of the Psalms*. Lyte decided he could maintain the spirit of these beautiful texts while still using his own words, probably with the intention of making the reader see the psalms in a new light. One such paraphrase is "Praise, my Soul, the King of Heaven." Lyte's text speaks to the love of God and our dependence on Him in a clear and imaginative way. Think of what might happen if we woke up every day with these words on our lips: "Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praises sing." How would our lives change if we walked through our days singing "Alleluia!" or through our times of sorrow declaring that we rest in the gentle hand of God? This is a text with beautiful imagery and thoughtful prose that, like Psalm 103, gives us words to praise our God with heart, mind, and soul.

*OPENING PRAYER Rev. Alspaugh

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (SEE INSERT) *We Are Standing...*
Davis

**We are standing on Holy Ground,
and I know that there are angels all around;
Let us praise Jesus now.
We are standing in His presence on Holy Ground.**

*WELCOME & PASSING THE PEACE Rev. Alspaugh

*(Please register your attendance by filling out a yellow card from the
pew rack and placing it in the offering bag this morning.)*

We are invited to greet our nearest neighbors, extend our hand,
and greet one another in the name of Christ.

(Please be seated.)

Reading & Proclaiming God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Linda Ginter-Brown

2 Kings 5:1-14: Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People: Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON Linda Ginter-Brown

Galatians 6:2: Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

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People: Thanks be to God!

*THE GOSPEL LESSON Rev. David Coggins

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Luke.
People: Praise be to you, O Christ.

Luke 4:20-30: And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

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!

*THE FELLOWSHIP HYMN #278 *We Are Travelers on a Journey*
BEACH SPRING

Richard Gillard, who provided the text for this familiar hymn tune, was the eldest of six children and was born in England on May 22, 1953 He immigrated to New Zealand with his family when he was three years old. He speaks of having no formal musical training, and he taught himself to play guitar in folk style, which basically is strumming simple chords to accompany a sung melody. The tune Beach Spring is also familiar to many of us for the hymn tune *God Whose Giving Knows No Ending* that is sung throughout the Christian church.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Alspaugh

(Following the message, children in preK-5 grades will be led downstairs for Sunday School. PreK-1 graders will be in Rm. #4. Grades 2-5 will be in Rm. #3B. Parents are asked to pick up their children after worship.)

CALL TO PRAYER #413 v.1 *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*
REST

**Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind;
in purer lives Thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.**

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Coggins

ANTHEM Jerome Stueart, Soloist

A Man After Your Own Heart Kirkpatrick & Sprague

THE SERMON Rev. Coggins

“United Against Hate”

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

(Celebrants: Rev. Coggins & Rev. Alspaugh)

PREPARATION TIME

INVITATION TO THE TABLE Rev. Coggins

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Rev. Coggins

SHARING THE BREAD Rev. Coggins

#461 v.1 *Let Us Break Bread Together* BREAK BREAD

SHARING THE CUP Rev. Alspaugh

#459 v.1 *Come, Share the Lord* DIVERNON

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING and THE LORD’S PRAYER (Debts and Debtors) Rev. Alspaugh

The Response of God’s People

THE OFFERTORY Jerome Stueart, Soloist

The Servant Song Gillard & Daniels

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #667 v.3 *As Saints of Old...*
FOREST GREEN

**In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today,
to serve Your cause, to share Your love and show to all Your way.
O God, who gave Yourself to us in Jesus Christ Your Son,
teach us to give ourselves each day until life’s work is done.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER Linda Ginter-Brown

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP Rev. Coggins

(Persons wishing to join First Baptist Church are invited to come forward while the organist plays the first verse of the recessional hymn. You may join First Baptist Church by transfer of letter, statement of faith, or baptism. The pastor will greet you as you come forward this morning.)

ACOLYTES ENTER ON LAST VERSE OF HYMN

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #698 *For the Healing of the Nations*
CWM RHONDDA

Yes, this tune is also very familiar to many of us as *God of Grace and God of Glory*; however, today we hear it to a text by Fred Kaan which is most appropriate. We pray this morning asking God to heal this great nation as we continue to celebrate the birthday of the most powerful free nation on earth.

ACOLYTES EXTINGUISH THE LIGHT AND LEAD THE PASTORS OUT,
SYMBOLICALLY CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

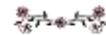
*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL Rev. Coggins

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION #522 v. 1 *O Christ, the Way,...*
ST. PETER

**O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life,
be with us now, we pray;
direct our steps as we go forth
to do Your will this day.**

*POSTLUDE Gregory Land

Fanfare on “America the Beautiful” “Materna”
setting by Matthew H. Corl



*The chancel flowers are given today by Yudi Hance:
“I am very thankful that I live in a country where freedom
still endures. With my heartfelt respect and
love ~ Yuriko Noda Hance”*



Dayton Dragons

FBC NIGHT AT FIFTH THIRD FIELD

Thursday, August 1 @ 7:00PM

Tickets are \$10

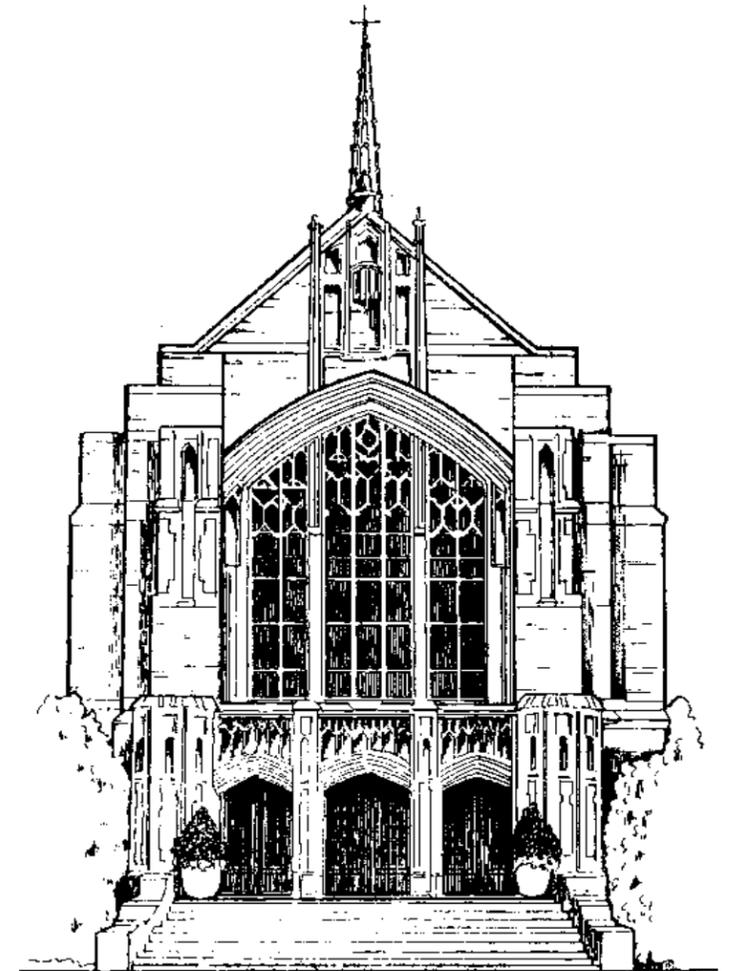
Deadline to order is Friday, July 12

**Order forms are available on the table by the church office
and online through our website. The online link will also be made available
in the weekly email announcements.**

First Baptist Church of Dayton

4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
COMMUNION SUNDAY

JULY 7, 2019



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*To celebrate God's love as a community of believers
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