# The First Baptist Church at Worship Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost September 27, 2020

THE PRELUDE Gregory Land, Organist

A Gaelic Blessing ...... John Rutter

## 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. 4)

**#159** Fairest Lord Jesus CRUSADERS' HYMN (ST. ELIZABETH)

This hymn expounds on the theme of the beauty of Christ and the Creation in an overflowing expression of praise, similar to King David's statement: "One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord ..."

## Listening for the Word of God

#### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

Exodus 17:1-7: From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

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

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Alspaugh

CALL TO PRAYER (See pg. 5)

**#652** *Make Me a Servant* SERVANT

Make me a servant, humble and meek; Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.

And may the prayer of my heart always be; make me a servant today.

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

Rev. David Coggins

SPECIAL MUSIC

First Baptist Quartet Jennifer Mills, Susan Wilson, Parris Hobbs, Ray Landis

Total Praise ...... Richard Smallwood

Lord I will lift mine eyes to the hills, knowing my help is coming from you.

Your peace you give me in time of the storm.

You are the source of strength; you are the strength of my life.

I lift my hands in total praise to you.

THE SERMON Rev. Dr. Berghuis

"Water from the Rock"

## Responding to God

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE (See pg. 6)

**#509** *Trust and Obey* TRUST AND OBEY

This hymn paints a picture of communion with God in which fear and gloom have disappeared, and delight and joy saturate one's existence. However, this attractive life is not free – the Christian must totally surrender control of his life to God, and commit to trusting obedience of God's wishes, as the final stanza says – "what He says we will do, where He sends we will go." Jesus said, "Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. Berghuis

POSTLUDE Gregory Land

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty ...... Paul Manz "Lobet Den Herren, Den" Op. 7, No. 3

(\*) 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.



#### INTERFAITH FORUM of GREATER DAYTON

A Call for First Baptist Youth !!

Pastor Jason's middle school and senior highs, please join Ella and Jack, and Chloe and Jadon and be part of a program on ZOOM October 25 (you can do it!) from 3-5 pm. You'll meet yourselves in young people from Muslim and Sikh and Baha'i traditions. Then, one of these days, in person...

Three preparation days (fine if you can't make all three)

Wednesday, **Sept. 30**, 5:30 pm – 12 minutes to meet adults from the Interfaith Forum Sunday, **Oct. 4**, 1 pm -- Planning with the Muslim, Sikh and Baha'i youth Sunday, **Oct. 11**, 1 pm – Final Planning



#### Please Note!

As we adjust our services to try to keep people safe, socially distanced, and spending less time together, please take seriously the need to mitigate our risks as much as we can. Read the guidelines created by our Trustees and Health Committee, and follow them. 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 or 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 <a href="https://www.youtube.com/">https://www.youtube.com/</a> and look for First Baptist Church Dayton Ohio. After the livestream the video should remain there, and we also intend to put the recording on our church's website by Sunday afternoon (<a href="http://www.fbcdayton.org/">http://www.fbcdayton.org/</a>).

We will hold our live Zoom Gathering Sunday evening at 6:30 PM. This week Pastor Kent will continue leading the conversation on "The Romans Road: The New Perspective on Paul." 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.)

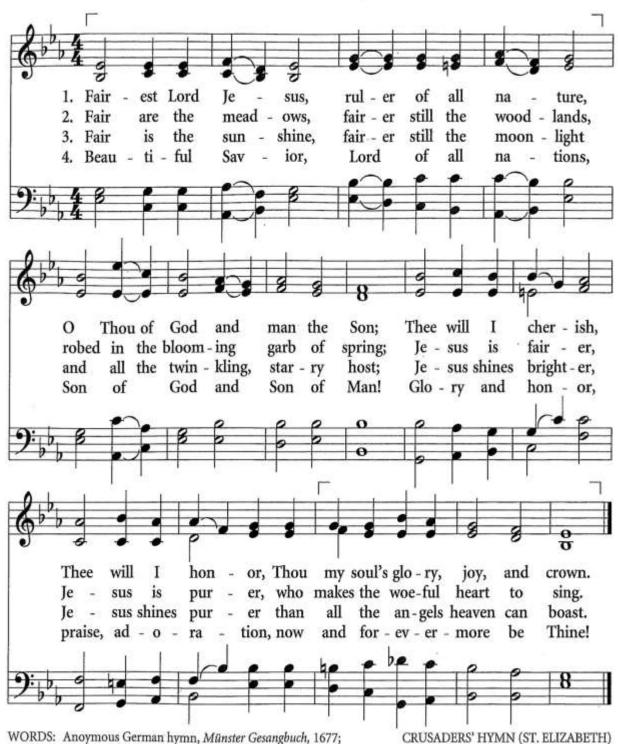
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Sharon Appelt	Jim Earnest	Susan Reichard
Rebecca Bauer	Neil Earnest	Judy See
Dan Bellavia	Lavanda Ferguson	Judy Smith
Marlen Berghuis	Ken Gordon	Helen Sutton
Jessica Blair	Bev Harrell	Emily Taylor
Don Brown	Linda Haskin	Torrey Thrash
Jessica Brown	Barbara Jett	Ginger Tiffner
Robert Brown	Kimbrough Family	Anne Veghte
Mary Caldwell	Doris Landis	Sara Vice
Lynn Chadbourne	Anna Frances Lasley	Waldrop Family
Tami Malone Charles	Vincent Liss	Peggie Worthey
Andy Collier	Tim Meador	Healthcare Workers
Marilyn Craig	Arthur Merkle	Police & Fire Fighters
Pamela Cress	Miles-Curry Families	Military Duty:
Norma Curry	Mary Ann Paloncy	Sebastian Ewald
Martha DeBold	Pipenger Family	Brittany Kalbfleisch
Florida Dixon	Radachi Family	Andy Wilson

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# Fairest Lord Jesus

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### **CALL TO PRAYER**



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#### **HYMN OF RESPONSE**

