



The First Baptist Church at Worship
25th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
 Third Sunday of Stewardship
 November 14, 2021 ~ 10:00 AM



THE PRELUDE

R. Alan Kimbrough, Organist

Prelude in G Major Felix Mendelssohn
 Sonata 1: Allegro; adagio Felix Mendelssohn
 Andantino Harold E. Darke

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

Sanctuary Randy Scruggs
*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true;
 with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

Rev. David Coggins

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#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 verse 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.”

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Daryl Bogan

Listening for the Word of God

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jaimee Ryan

1 Samuel 1:4-20: On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not

eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"

After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."

As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.

They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

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

People: Thanks be to God.

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#48 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*
FAITHFULNESS

Thomas Chisholm, author of *Great is Thy Faithfulness* led a pretty ordinary life. He did not write this hymn during a period of intense grief or after encountering God in a profound way. Instead, he found truth in the words he encountered in Lamentations 3:22-23: *Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.* Jeremiah, on the other hand, was in tumultuous circumstances when writing Lamentations. The people to whom he prophesied did not listen, and he was ostracized and completely alone because of what God called him to do. He also lamented the consequences of their faithlessness. God allowed them to be conquered by the Babylonians, resulting in their entire world being laid to waste. But in the midst of that utter devastation, Jeremiah still offers them hope on the horizon: they are not completely destroyed because of the Lord's compassion and faithfulness, and in the morning, after this *dark night of the soul*, things will be better. So whether we are at a place in our lives where everything is pretty ordinary, or whether we are in a period of grief: no matter what our circumstances, God never changes and is faithful to us, sustaining us in his compassion and faithfulness each and every day. Our sermon today will focus on Hannah's story and her faithfulness and her promise to God for her first born son, Samuel, the nazirite prophet.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

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

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 INSERT PG. 7)

Oh, Lord, Have Mercy (Vs. 1 & 2)
HAVE MERCY ON ME

**Oh, Lord, have mercy, on me.
While I am praying, have mercy on me.**

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

Rev. Mark Craig

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

Led by Music Director William Henry Caldwell

Seek the Lord arr. Glenn Jones

*Seek the Lord, He's a mighty good Lord, seek the Lord, my loving Lord,
Seek the Lord, let him be your Lord, seek the Lord, the savior Lord.
You had better seek him while He may be found, call on him while He's near.
You got a soul that needs to be saved, come to Jesus today. Seek Him, while He may be found.
I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest, lay down thy weary one lay down, thy head upon
my breast." I came to Jesus as I was weary and worn and sad, I found in Him a resting place
and he has made me glad. Let the wicked forsake his ways and the unrighteous man his thoughts.
Seek the Lord, come to Jesus today.*

THE SERMON

Rev. Coggins

"Hannah's Story"

The Response of God's People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#55 *Give to the Winds Your Fears*
FESTAL SONG

John Wesley, the translator of this popular text, was the son of Samuel, and brother of Charles Wesley. John was born at Epworth, June 17, 1703. He was educated at the Charterhouse, London, and at Christ Church, Oxford. He became a Fellow of Lincoln College, Oxford, and graduated M.A. in 1726. At Oxford, he was one of the small band consisting of George Whitefield, James Hervey, Charles Wesley, and a few others, who were even then known for their piety; they were deridingly called "Methodists."

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Coggins

CHORAL BENEDICTION

#513 *Go Now in Peace*
EARTH AND ALL STARS

*Go now in peace, worship is ending; service begins as you go from this place.
Taught by God's Word, safe in God's tending, hold to the path that will run the good race.*

POSTLUDE

R. Alan Kimbrough

Prelude and Fugue in B-Flat Major J. S. Bach

(* 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.

Please Note! Wearing a mask is strongly recommended. Pastor Jason and Barbara Bogan will continue wearing masks during their times together with the children.

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.fbcdayton.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.)

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

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Week of November 14 – 21

Sun. 14	10:00a	.....	Worship Service
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	.....	Sunday School Classes / Activities
	12:15p	.....	BYF Gathering
Wed. 17	2:00p	.....	Bible Study @ FBC
	6:30p	.....	Executive Council Meeting
Thu. 18	7:30a	.....	Building Bridges Bible Study @ Goughs
	7:00p	.....	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sun. 21	10:00a	.....	Worship Service
	11:15a	.....	Thanksgiving Meal

Stewardship Campaign 2022: “Return Thanks” Stewardship Emphasis Oct.31 – Nov. 21 (Four Sundays)

(Pledge cards are available in the pew racks and on the table by the church office.)

BYF Gatherings in November

Sunday, Nov. 14 - 12:15-2:30pm

Sunday, Nov. 28 – TBD

Baptist Youth Fellowship (BYF) is for youth in grades 6-12 and we meet at First Baptist on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month (unless otherwise announced) from 12:15-2:30pm for food, fun, Bible study and other miscellaneous adventures, as we seek to grow our friendships and grow in faith. Friends are always welcome! If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact Pastor Jason (jalspaugh@fbcd Dayton.org).



We are inviting American Baptists from around Ohio to join us for a time of worshipful reflection, as we seek to deepen our awareness and understanding of God's call to care for all of Creation. Through Scripture, prayer, music, liturgy, and conversation we will offer a space in which we can begin to think about how we can live out that calling as people and communities of faith.

Register at Eventbrite to RSVP and receive your ticket(s) with Zoom info for this event by using the QR Code provided here. For questions or help registering, please email Rev. Jason Alspaugh at jalspaugh@fbcd Dayton.org.



Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 17 @ 6:30pm

RSVP! • Thanksgiving Meal • RSVP!

Sunday, Nov. 21 @ 11:15AM

The Board of Deacons will provide a Thanksgiving Meal on Sunday, Nov. 21 following worship. The menu will offer turkey sandwiches, green beans, scalloped potatoes, salad, cookies, and drinks. Please RSVP by Tuesday, Nov. 16. There is no charge; donations will be accepted.

**The church office will be closed for Thanksgiving break on
Thursday, Nov. 25 and Friday, Nov. 26.**

Decorate for Christmas

Calling Elves of All Ages to Help

Saturday, Nov. 27, starting at 9:00AM



We would greatly appreciate as many helpers as possible to decorate the sanctuary, fellowship hall, and exterior of the church for the beginning of Advent. Refreshments will be provided. Hope to see you on the 27th!

Save the Date for the Annual Koinonia Christmas Party!!

**Friday, Dec. 10 @ 7pm at the home of Daryl & Barb Bogan
(Open to all who are vaccinated)**

Zion Baptist Church and Senior Pastor Rockney Carter

Cordially Invite You to Attend

**The 150th Anniversary Celebration
Banquet & Worship Service**

Sunday, Nov. 28 from 12:30-4:30pm

Holiday Inn Dayton/Fairborn - 2800 Presidential Drive, Fairborn 45324

Guest Speaker • Gospel Music • Food

Menu includes: salmon, roast beef, vegetarian lasagna and more

Ticket Cost: \$40 (Call Deacon Buxton at 937-277-5810 by Nov. 20)

Kids Christmas Pageant

Sunday, Dec. 19 @ 10:00am

Our Kids Christmas Pageant is back this year, and will take place during morning worship on Sunday, December 19. We will have casting and rehearsals after worship on Sundays, December 5 & 12. As always, there are a variety of speaking and non-speaking roles for kids to choose from. And, if there are kids in your extended family who will be present the day of the pageant, we can find a way for them to participate if they'd like to do so. If you have any questions please speak with Pastor Jason.

BONUS: Last year, while we did not have a live pageant due to COVID concerns, a couple of our kids (Sydney & Abigail) performed and recorded their own Christmas Pageant at home to share. Inspired by their creativity, we'd like to offer kids/families a chance to act out and record a scene from the pageant at home, using their own creativity for costumes, props, scenery, etc. We would then piece together all the recordings into one video and present during Coffee Fellowship on December 26. If you would like to take part in this extra opportunity, please speak with Pastor Jason.

Changes to Courier Delivery to Begin in 2022

Beginning with the January 2022 edition, we are going to adjust the way we send out our *Courier* church newsletter. For years we have sent it out only in printed form via bulk mailing, but with increased costs and new technology, we are going to start sharing the *Courier* electronically (just as we do with weekly e-news), while still making printed copies available via first class mail for those who still wish to receive it in that form. We will also have printed copies available for pickup at the church. These changes will reduce our use of paper and printing materials, reduce our postage costs, and free us from some of the content restrictions that come with bulk mailing. We'll be able to continue to provide all of the important information related to the life and ministry of First Baptist, and more. If you would like to continue receiving a printed copy of the *Courier*, please contact Linda Blair in the church office at 937-222-4691 or email fbccdayton.org.

Poinsettia Orders for Advent/Christmas

If you wish to contribute toward our annual display of poinsettias for Advent/Christmas, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering basket this morning (or mail it in). You may contribute in memory of loved ones or to honor special people. Gifts of \$20 will underwrite the cost of the plants. **Orders and payments are needed by Wednesday, Nov. 24th, in time for the first Sunday of Advent (Nov. 28th).**

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POINSETTIA ORDER & DEDICATION
(PLEASE PRINT)

Your Name(s): _____

In **Memory** of: _____

In **Honor** of: _____

_____ \$20 enclosed _____ \$20 will be mailed by 11/24/21

CALL TO PRAYER HYMN

VERSES 1 & 2

Oh, Lord, Have Mercy

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Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me, for in you my soul takes refuge...
Psalm 57:1

1. Oh, Lord, have mer - cy. Oh, Lord, have
2. While I am pray - ing, While I am
3. While I am wait - ing, While I am
4. When I'm in trou - ble, When I'm in
5. I am Your child, I am Your

mer - cy. Oh, Lord, have mer - cy,
pray - ing, While I am pray - ing,
wait - ing, While I am wait - ing, Have
trou - ble, When I'm in trou - ble,
child, I am Your child,

mer - cy on me.

Text: Traditional
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