



The First Baptist Church at Worship
 5TH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
 COMMUNION SUNDAY
 February 5, 2023 ~ 10:00 AM



THE PRELUDE

R. Alan Kimbrough, Organist

“Prelude,” “Communion,” Meditation on “Stracathro,”
 and Sarabande on “Vox Delecti”

W. S. Lloyd Webber

Prelude on “Rhosymedre” (“Lovely”)

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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

Dr. William Henry Caldwell, Director

We Are Standing on Holy Ground Geron 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.*

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#151 *We Three Kings*
 KINGS OF ORIENT

The hymn *We Three Kings* and the original title *Three Kings of the Orient*, and also known as *We Three Kings of Orient Are* or *The Quest of the Magi*, is a Christmas carol that was written by John Henry Hopkins Jr. in 1857. At the time of composing the carol, Hopkins served as the rector of Christ Episcopal Church in Williamsport Pennsylvania, and he wrote the carol for a Christmas pageant in New York City. It was the first widely popular Christmas carol written in America. We use this hymn today to celebrate the 5th Sunday After the Epiphany on this Communion Sunday.

Listening for the Word of God

GOSPEL LESSON

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Matthew.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

Part One: Matthew 2:1-12

Elijah Cox

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."'

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

GOSPEL INTERLUDE

Chancel Choir

Coventry Carol arr. Martin Shaw

Lully, lulla, thou little tiny child, By by, lully lullay. O sisters too, how may we do for to preserve this day this poor youngling, for whom we do sing, By by, lully lullay? Herod, the king in his raging, charged he hath this day his men of might, in his own sight, all young children to slay. That woe is me, poor child for thee! And ever morn and day, for thy parting neither say nor sing By by, lully lullay!

Part Two: Matthew 2:13-18

Meredith Ryan

Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."

When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah: "A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more."

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

#278 *We Are Travelers on a Journey*
BEACH SPRING

The image of life being a journey, with us as travelers, is a common one. If that were all this hymn addressed, it would be a good hymn. What elevates this text, in my mind, is its clear call to our interconnectedness and mutual responsibility. We are fellow pilgrims, not wandering strangers or lone wolves. On this road, we are responsible to each other, and for each other. We are to hold the Christ-light for each other when the darkness gets to be too much. I need to be ready to do this for you. And you? You need to be watching; aware, closely related enough to my life to notice when fear is overcoming me. This life is no time for letting each other down.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Alspaugh

(Children are invited to come forward for the Children’s Message during the last stanza of the fellowship hymn. All kids 3 years and older are invited to go downstairs after the Children’s Message for a “One Room Sunday School” class.)

CALL TO PRAYER (See pg. 7)

(Vs. 1 & 4) *Lord, Be Glorified*
ADORATION & PRAISE

**In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; In my life, Lord, be glorified today.
In my heart, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; In my heart, Lord, be glorified today.**

*MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

Janet Olney Lasley
January 14, 1950 – January 26, 2023

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

True Light Keith Hampton

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, almighty God is light, He lives in us as True Light.
In the beginning out of the darkness God created true light, He lives in us as true light.
Don't let the light that you've given me die, and don't desert my mind, but let the one who serve you
Praise you again and again. He lives in us as True Light. You are the one who judges right from wrong.
Your glory excites no envy, but let the one who serve you Praise you again and again.
He lives in us a true light. Everywhere I go, I want the world to know, God gave the world True Light.*

THE SERMON

Rev. Alspaugh

“After the Epiphany”

Holy Communion

INVITATION TO THE TABLE
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

SHARING OF THE BREAD

Chancel Choir and Congregation

Taste and See

Soloist: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, O taste and see,
taste and see, the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.
Congregation: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, O taste and see,
taste and see, the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

SHARING OF THE CUP

Chancel Choir and Congregation

Taste and See

Soloist: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, O taste and see,
taste and see, the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.
Congregation: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, O taste and see,
taste and see, the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Response of God's People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#473 *Will You Come and Follow Me*
KELVINGROVE

Will You Come and Follow Me, also known as *The Summons*, is a modern hymn by John Bell and Graham Maule that offers a mature call to discipleship and witness that challenges us to ponder what following Christ may mean.

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Alspaugh

CHORAL BENEDICTION

#523 *God Be With You*
GOD BE WITH YOU

*God be with you till we meet again! By His counsels guide, uphold you,
with His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again!*

POSTLUDE

R. Alan Kimbrough

"Triumphant March" W. S. Lloyd Webber

(*) 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 worship service! 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 Update: Montgomery County is in the "Medium" COVID-19 Community Level. Recommended actions at the medium level read this way: "Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines. Get tested if you have symptoms. Wear a mask if you have symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19. Wear a mask on public transportation. You may choose to wear a mask at any time as an additional precaution to protect yourself and others. If you are at high risk for severe illness, consider wearing a mask indoors in public and taking additional precautions." For more information see www.cdc.gov.

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.fbccdayton.org/>).

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	Tim Earnest	Judy See
Paige Bartlett	Lavanda Ferguson	Judy Smith
Bayless Family	Bev & Bill Harrell	Chas Snyder
Jessica Blair	Barbara Jett	Kaye Suryk
Don Brown	Ray Landis	Emily Taylor
Gerald Busch	Anna Frances Lasley	Anne Veghte
Mary Anne Chadbourne	Lasley Family	Amy Wadham
Tami Malone Charles	Gene & Mary K Lee	Kay Wingham
Cowden Family	Mary Malone	Military Duty:
Pamela Cress	Tom McKenzie	Sebastian Ewald
Florida Dixon	Arthur Merkle	Sunny Ewald
Brett Domescik	John & Shirley Nash	Brittany Kalbfleisch
Jim Earnest	Mary Ann Paloncy	Will Radachi
Neil Earnest	Peacock Family	Andy Wilson

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Week of February 5 – 12

Sun. 5	10:00a	Worship Service w/Communion
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	Sunday School Classes/Activities
Wed. 8	2:00p	Bible Study
	6:30p	Board Meetings
Thu. 9	7:00p	Choir Rehearsal
Sun. 12	10:00a	Worship Service
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	Sunday School Classes/Activities
	12:15p	BYF Gathering
	4:00p	Grant Wareham Organ Recital

NEW ADULT EDUCATION CLASS STARTS TODAY

Shaping Worship at First Baptist

Sundays @ 11:30am-12:15pm

February 5-19 in the 1st Floor - Chapel

Join us for a three part series that seeks to share how we as a staff shape the worship services for First Baptist. We'll start by taking a broad look at the Christian Liturgical Year, and how and why it informs our local liturgical decisions and practices. Then we'll learn about our music ministry and what is involved in the preparation of the music for worship. Finally, we'll gain some insight from our pastors about their own preaching practices--their style, how they prepare, how they create a sermon. We hope this series will give you a better sense of all that goes into our worship life, and perhaps inspire you to somehow share in the ways it is shaped.

Board Meetings

Wednesday, Feb. 8 @ 6:30pm



ORGAN RECITAL
Grant Wareham
Sunday, Feb. 12 @ 4:00pm
First Baptist Church of Dayton

First Baptist Church of Dayton, Ohio will present in a special organ recital the highly acclaimed organist and Dayton native, Grant Wareham. Grant studied organ with the late Jerry Taylor who was organist and music director at the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Kettering. He has studied at the prestigious organ schools at Rice University and Yale University. Grant has presented organ recitals throughout the United States and at some of the most celebrated venues in the world. He is excited to return to Dayton which is his hometown and play a special recital on the outstanding unique installation at First Baptist Church. His appearance is made possible by a gift from Tim and Connie Holmen. The concert is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be taken to support and maintain the organ at First Baptist Church.

Executive Council Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 15 @ 6:30pm

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS STARTS FEB. 26

"Loss, Grief, and Lent"

Sundays @ 11:30am-12:15pm
February 26 – March 26, 2023
Facilitator: Rev. David Coggins

Week 1 – Feb 26

"Counting our Losses" – Genesis 2:15-17

Week 2 – Mar 5

"The Rooster Crows" – Luke 22:55-62

Week 3 – Mar 12

"Let's Make a Deal" – Matthew 4:1-11

Week 4 – Mar 19

"Reality Check" – I Samuel 16:1-5

Week 5 – Mar 26

"Rebirth" – Ephesians 5:8-14

The road to Calvary was littered with losses and grief. Just ask the disciples. Not every day walking with Jesus was characterized by the song "Oh Happy Day". Ash Wednesday is a waypoint in our spiritual journey that redirects us for a time down the path of reflection and confession on the meaning of our walk with Jesus.

For this season of Lent the Adult Sunday School Class will give an opportunity for us to share together our life journeys through the experiences of loss and grief under the revealing light of some familiar Lenten texts. The longer we live, the more opportunity we have in our life to experience the loss of persons, pets, possessions and lifestyle that have had significant meaning for us. There are few places where we can talk about our experience of loss and grief. Our hope is that this class will provide a place for you to share your experiences as well as to hear the experiences of others so that you do not feel alone in your walk through the valley of the shadow of death.

The class format will be interactive dialogue between participants guided by the facilitator. Everyone will be given opportunity to share from personal experiences as they feel comfortable. Together as a group we will share strategies that have helped us to move past our losses in order to can embrace a rebirth in our own spiritual walk. Privacy and respect will be given to all participants who share or choose not to share personal stories.

CALL TO PRAYER

(Verses 1 and 4)

182 LORD, BE GLORIFIED

*Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory.
Psalm 24:10*

Verses 1, 2

1. In my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied,
2. In my home, Lord, be glo-ri-fied,

be glo-ri-fied; In my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
be glo-ri-fied; In my home, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to -

Verses 3, 4

3. In Your Church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied,
4. In my heart, Lord, be glo-ri-fied,
day.

be glo-ri-fied; In Your Church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
be glo-ri-fied; In my heart, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.

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