

The First Baptist Church at Worship
19th Sunday After Pentecost

October 20, 2019

10:00 AM

The Gathering

The congregation is invited to meditate and contemplate during the Prelude.

THE PRELUDE Gregory Land, Organist

Sweet Sixteenths William Albright
A Concert Rag for Organ (1975)
Nimrod (from "Enigma Variations" Op. 36 Edward Elgar
Prelude to a "Te Deum" Marc Antoine Charpentier

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.

CHORAL INTROIT *This Is the Day*
Everett Williams

This is the day which the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Amen

*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. David Coggins

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #281 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*
BEECHER

Like many hymns, *Love Divine* is loosely Trinitarian in organization: Christ is invoked in the first stanza as the expression of divine love; the Holy Spirit in the second stanza as the agent of sanctification; the Father in the third stanza as the source of life; and the Trinity in the final stanza as the joint Creator of the New Creation.

*OPENING PRAYER Rev. Coggins

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (SEE INSERT) *I Feel Jesus in This Place*
CARMAN LICCIARDELLO

**I feel Jesus, I feel Jesus, I feel Jesus in this place.
Yes, my soul does burn within me, I feel Jesus in this place.**

*WELCOME & PASSING THE PEACE Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

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

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

Bill Gruszecki

Genesis 32:22-31: The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

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

*GOSPEL LESSON

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

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

Luke 18:1-8: Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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 (SEE INSERT) *We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder*
JACOB'S LADDER

We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder is an African American slave spiritual based in part on the Biblical story of Jacob's Ladder. It was developed some time before 1825, and became one of the first slave spirituals to be widely sung by European-American Christians. Before he wrestled with the Lord, Jacob was a cheat and a deceiver. And after he wrestled with the Lord, he walked with a limp. But God would rather have someone who walks with a limp because they've wrestled with their issues and won, than someone living under false pretenses. We will all have trials and tribulations, troubles and issues, and it's good to know that God always has a way out no matter what the case may be so when you're committed to walking in integrity, God will reveal His will to you.

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

#392 *Open Our Eyes*
OPEN OUR EYES

**Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
to reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen,
open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus.**

PASTORAL PRAYER and Rev. Coggins
THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts and Debtors)

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

Halle, Halle arr. Carlton Young

Caribbean Folk Song

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah. Oh God to who shall we go? You alone have the words of life. Let your words be our prayer and the song we sing: Hallelujah. My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord. When I call them, they follow me. I will lead them to rest by the restful stream. Hallelujah. I am the light of the world says the Lord. Walk in the light of life. All who follow my words shall have life indeed: Hallelujah.

THE SERMON Rev. Dr. Berghuis

"Wrestling with God"

The Response of God's People

THE OFFERTORY Chancel Choir

Fairest Lord Jesus arr. Lloyd Larson

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son; Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown. Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heav'n can boast. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise adoration now and forever more be Thine! Amen.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #672 (vs.4) *All Things Are Yours*
GERMANY

**All things are Yours: we make that true
when we return our gifts to You;
and so we give, and so we share,
in Christ's strong name expressing care.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER Bill Gruszecki

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP Rev. Dr. Berghuis

(Persons wishing to make known a decision to follow Christ as Lord or 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 #660 *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*
MARYTON

Washington Gladden was called to the First Congregational Church in Columbus, Ohio in 1882 and remained there for 32 years. He was known for his success in fighting the corrupt Tweed Ring, for arbitrating the Telegraphers' Strike and the Hocking Valley Coal Strike. He attacked John D. Rockefeller, Sr. for giving thousands of dollars of "tainted money" to the Congregational Church's Foreign Missions program. Throughout his ministry he emphasized applying the gospel to life in America. The world would be a much nicer place if we all applied the gospel to life in America especially during these interesting times in our great country.

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

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL Rev. Dr. Berghuis

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION (INSERT) *Always Remember*
André Crouch

**Always remember Jesus, Jesus,
always remember Jesus, Jesus,
always keep Him on your mind.**

*POSTLUDE Gregory Land

Fanfare John Cook

*Sing aloud to God our strength;
Shout with joy to the God of Jacob.
Raise a song, sound the tambourine,
The sweet lyre with the harp.
Blow the trumpet at the new moon,
At the full moon, on our festal day.*

(Psalm 81:1-3)

(*) You're invited to rise in body or in spirit!

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 | Florida Dixon | Ron Petry |
| Kenneth Barger | Herbert Downs | Ron Pipenger |
| Rebecca Bauer | Jim Earnest | Susan Reichard |
| Marlen Berghuis | Lavanda Ferguson | Judy See |
| Jessica Blair | Ken Gordon | Ed Soloski |
| Braden Family | Bev Harrell | Emily Taylor |
| Don Brown | Linda Haskin | Torrey Thrash |
| Jessica Brown | Barbara Jett | Jim & Anne Veghte |
| Robert Brown | Judy Kelly | Waldrop Family |
| Lynn Chadbourne | Lenore Kimbrough | Dr. Williams Family |
| Sydney Chadbourne | Anna Frances Lasley | Peggie Worthey |
| Tami Malone Charles | Vincent Liss | |
| Andy Collier | Tim Meador | Military Duty: |
| Hannah Craig | Arthur Merkle | Sebastian Ewald |
| Marilyn Craig | Mary Ann Paloncy | Brittany Kalbfleisch |
| Pamela Cress | Rose Peacock | Andy Wilson |

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)



Week of October 20 – 27

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| Sun. 20 | 9:00a | FUMC Worship (<i>Dining Room</i>) |
| | 10:00a | Worship Service |
| | 11:15a | Coffee Fellowship |
| | 11:30a | Sunday School Classes / Activities |
| Wed. 23 | 6:30p | Bible Study |
| Thu. 24 | 7:30a | Building Bridges Bible Study (<i>Ghostlight</i>) |
| | 7:00p | Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| Sun. 27 | 9:00a | FUMC Worship (<i>Dining Room</i>) |
| | 10:00a | Worship Service |
| | 11:15a | Coffee Fellowship |
| | 11:30a | Adult Sunday School |
| | 11:30a | Halloween/Harvest Party (<i>upstairs</i>) |



World Mission Offering – October 2019

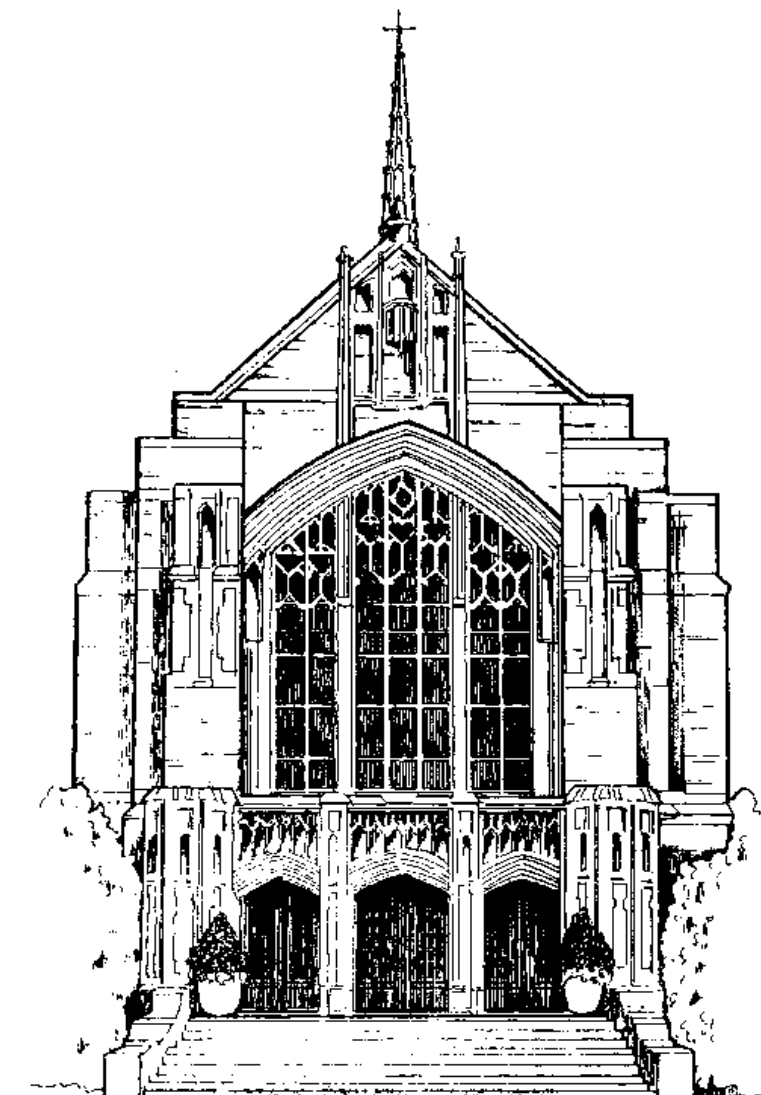
This year's World Mission Offering (WMO) is themed around Jesus' words to the woman at the well, "Whoever drinks of the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life." (John 4:14, NIV) Like water, the most essential ingredient for life, the life-changing love of Christ is flowing and moving throughout the world through the works of International Ministries' global servants and partners. Give generously in October to the World Mission Offering as, together, we help people come to Christ, grow in relationship with God, and change the world through the power of the Holy Spirit. Special offering envelopes are available in the pew racks. Thank you.

WiFi Access Available at FBC

The network names available for WiFi access are **FBC Dayton-2G** and **FBC Dayton-5G**. And the password for both is: **fbcd*45402**.

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

To celebrate God's love as a community of believers in Jesus Christ through worship, education, fellowship, and outreach to others.

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