

The First Baptist Church at Worship BAPTISM OF THE LORD January 8, 2023 ~ 10:00 AM





THE PRELUDE Gregory Land, Organist

Theme and Variations on "Boar's Head Carol" English Carol
Setting by Dale E. Ramsey

The Snow Lay On the Ground Leo Sowerby

March of the Magi F. Flaxington Harker from "The Star of Bethlehem"

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Isaiah 42:1-9 is one of four passages in the book of Isaiah referred to as a Servant Song. The prophesy of Isaiah reads "Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in who my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him." Isaiah seems to foretell the coming of Jesus and the beginning of his ministry. The baptism of Jesus by John as recorded in the Gospel of Matthew declares Jesus to be the servant and son when "suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'" Isaiah declares the servant will bring justice to the nations. What is this justice and how does it come about?



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

Jeanne Kallenberg, Director

Woke Up This Mornin' Evelyn Simpson-Curenton

Woke up this mornin' with my mind, stayed on Jesus, hallelujah.

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

Rev. David Coggins

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#332 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*AZMON

Charles Wesley, the greatest hymn-writer in Methodist history, wrote over six thousand hymns, some of which have attained the first rank in English hymnody. He and his brother, John Wesley, admitted that they made more converts through their hymns than through their preaching. Charles Wesley usually celebrated each anniversary of his birthday by writing a hymn of praise to God. Little wonder, therefore, that the first anniversary of his conversion, his spiritual birthday, should be celebrated by one of the most helpful hymns in

use among Methodists. The opening line of the hymn, "O for a thousand tongues to sing," is reminiscent of a remark of praise to God, once uttered to Wesley by Peter Border: "Had I a thousand tongues, I would praise Him with them all."

Listening for the Word of God

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 42:1-9

Gina Greenwood

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

*GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 3:13-17

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Matthew.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

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

#449 *Baptized in Water* BUNESSAN

Water baptism symbolizes the believer's total trust in and total reliance on the Lord Jesus Christ, as well as a commitment to live obediently to Him. It also expresses unity with all the saints that is, with every person in every nation on earth who is a member of the Body of Christ. Whether you know this traditional Gaelic melody as *Morning Has Broken* or *Baptized in Water*, let us lift our voices singing these beautiful words by Michael Saward, one of many contemporary hymn writers.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Ray Landis

(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

#396 v.1 For Such a Time As This MELITA

For such a time as this, O Lord, we seek the gift of grace outpoured, upon Your people everywhere, bowed down with sorrow, filled with care; now bless us, Lord, we humbly plead, with grace sufficient for our need.

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

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

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.

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

Come to the Water John Foley

O let all who thirst

Let them come to the water and let all who have nothing Let them come to the Lord without money, without price Why should you pay the price except for the Lord?

And let all who seek

Let them come to the water and let all who have nothing Let them come to the Lord without money, without strife Why should you spend your life except for the Lord?

And let all who toil

Let them come to the water and let all who are weary Let them come to the Lord all who labor without rest How can your soul find rest except for the Lord?

And let all the poor

Let them come to the water and let the ones who are laden Let them come to the Lord bring the children without might Easy the load and light come to the Lord

THE SERMON Rev. Coggins

"A Bruised Reed"

(Is. 42:3 "A bruised reed he will not break.")

The Response of God's People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE (See pg. 7)

We Know That Christ Is Raised ENGELBERG

Beginning with an allusion to Romans 6:9, this exuberant baptismal hymn unfolds the implications of our incorporation into Christ's new life, making us "a new creation." The text was written to fit this expansive tune by a distinguished British composer, John Brownlow Geyer.

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Coggins

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Now Say a Prayer Jester Hairston Now say a prayer for each other till we meet again, say a prayer for each other till we meet again, say a prayer for each other, for your sister and your brother, say a prayer for each other till we meet again.

POSTLUDE Gregory Land

The March of The Wise Men Harvey B. Gaul from "The Babe of Bethlehem"

(*) 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 "High" COVID-19 Community Level, and the CDC recommends wearing masks indoors. We encourage everyone to use hand sanitizer and to get vaccinated, for both the newer Omicron variant boosters as well as the flu, which is looking to be especially important this year. 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.fbcdayton.org/).

Week of Jan. 8 - 15

Sun. 8	10:00a	Worship Service
	11:15a Congre	egational Meeting / Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	Sunday School Classes / Activities
	12:15p	BYF Gathering
Wed. 11	6:30p	Board Meetings
Thu. 12	7:00p	Choir Rehearsal
Fri. 13	6:00p	Pos-4-Pos Dinner/Meeting
Sun. 15	10:00a	Worship Service
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	Sunday School Classes / Activities

Congregational Meeting Today

After worship service today there will be a brief congregational meeting in Fellowship Hall to vote on the proposed 2023 Boards & Committees roster.

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

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Annual Reports are Due!

Annual reports for 2022 are now due from pastoral staff, moderator, board chairs, and committee chairs. Please email reports to Linda Blair at fbc@fbcdayton.org as soon as possible. Thank you.

January BYF Gatherings

Sunday, Jan. 8 @ 12:15-2:30pm Sunday, Jan. 22 @ 12:15-2:30pm

New Adult Education Class Starts Today!

The Rise of Islam to Charlemagne with Dr. Roy Vice

Sundays at 11:30am January 8 - 22 1st Floor – Chapel

This series of lectures will begin with Justinian and the Byzantine Empire. A war between the Byzantines and the Persians leaves both empires exhausted. At that moment Islam exploded out of Arabia, capturing Jerusalem and much of the heartland of Christianity. Early in the development of Islam, there was a split between the Sunnis and the Shi'ites (followers of Ali) which still marks Islam to this day. The Muslims were the global middle men and brought much important knowledge to the West such as Arabic numerals. Victories at Constantinople and at Poitiers in 732 by Charles Martel stopped the Muslim advance. Charlemagne was heir to two generations of Carolingians who created an empire that he would expand. He promoted the standard of writing and literacy. He protected the pope in Rome and in 800 was crowned Holy Roman Emperor. He waged a series of wars against the pagan Saxons to bring them under his control and to force them to accept Christianity.

Our Thanks...

Dear Church Family ~ We want to extend our deepest thanks for helping make our wedding on January 1st such a special day! The support we have felt was overwhelming, and filled us and our church building with so much joy. So many of you helped with serving and cleanup, as well as the most important thing, celebrating! We felt your kindness and love as a treasured gift from each one who shared with us in that day and beyond. Please keep us in your prayers as we continue to transition into married life, sharing a home, and creating a new future for ourselves and our families. We look forward to many years together as a couple and as a part of the First Baptist Church family!

~Pastor Kent and Angie Berghuis

Board Meetings

Wednesday, Jan. 11 @ 6:30pm

Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, Jan. 18 @ 6:30pm



STIVERS SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS

Women's Chorus

Sunday, Jan. 29 @ 4pm

First Baptist Church of Dayton

The music department at First Baptist Church of Dayton is happy to begin the year with a special concert featuring the sensational women's chorus from the Stivers School for the Arts under the direction of Paula Powell. The Stivers choral program has been celebrated as one of the finest choral programs in the state public school system. The vocal ensembles at Stivers have always received "one ratings" for their annual participation in state-wide choral festivals and conferences. The women's chorus will perform vocal music of all periods and styles in the sanctuary at 4:00 pm on Sunday, Jan. 29. A free will offering will be taken to help support the vocal music program at Stivers, and a reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall immediately afterwards.

Support Our Baptist Youth Fellowship Through the AmazonSmile Program!

Just go to smile.amazon.com and log-in with your Amazon.com username and password. Search for "First Baptist Church Dayton" in the list of charitable organizations and click "Select." Then each time you want to buy something through Amazon, go to smile.amazon.com (not Amazon.com) and log-in and buy as you normally would. 0.5% of all eligible purchases will be donated to our church's BYF. Thanks for your support!

Offering Envelopes

If you would like a box of offering envelopes, please contact Nancy Kerr by email to nkerr@fbcdayton.org or by phone at 937-222-4691 x. 402.

STEWARDSHIP 2023

If you would like to make a financial pledge for year 2023, contact Nancy Kerr by phone or email nkerr@fbcdayton.org. Pledge cards are also available in the pew racks and on the table by the church office. Thank you!

HYMN OF RESPONSE

495 We Know That Christ Is Raised

