



The First Baptist Church at Worship
 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
 March 12, 2023 ~ 10:00 AM



THE PRELUDE

Gregory Land, Organist

Beautiful Music for Piano

Pavane, Opus 50 Gabriel Fauré
 Vocalise, Opus 34, No. 14 Sergei Rachmaninoff
 Canon In D Johann Pachelbel

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

Lift Up Your Heads TRURO (#173)

*Lift up your heads, you mighty gates; behold, the King of glory waits;
 the King of kings is drawing near; the Savior of the world is here!*

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#33 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*
 CWM RHONDDA

The notion of “the unknown” is not an idea we’re overly fond of. Part of us would love to know how the future plays out - what to prepare for, what to let go because it won’t be successful anyway. C. S. Lewis alludes to this desire in *Prince Caspian*, in this conversation between Lucy and Aslan. “Please, Aslan!” said Lucy, “am I not to know?” “To know what would have happened, child?” said Aslan. “No, nobody is ever told that.” “Oh dear,” said Lucy.” Not knowing what the future holds brings a certain uneasiness to our lives. And yet, in a strange kind of way, there is comfort in the fact as well. Whatever happens to us or our loved ones is out of our hands; we simply couldn’t know anything about it if we tried. There is a common phrase: “Let go, and let God.” In this hymn by William Williams, we are given the words to express our prayer that God would guide us as we walk through a life of unknowns. At the end of her conversation with Aslan, Lucy, her head previously buried into Aslan’s mane, suddenly sits up and says, “I’m sorry, Aslan...I’m ready now.” Let us pray that we are always ready to go with God wherever He takes us, songs of praises ever on our lips.

Listening for the Word of God

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 17:1-7

Bill Wilson

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!

*GOSPEL LESSON: John 4:5-15

Rev. David Coggins

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to John.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

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

#394 *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*
QUEBEC

"Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts" comes from a portion of Bernard of Clairvaux's poem, *Jesu dulcis memoria*, roughly translated "Remembrance of Jesus' Sweetness." The text is taken from a medieval devotional poem, *Jubilus Rhythmicus de Nomine Jesu*, also called *The Rosy Hymn* or the *Jubilee Rhythm*, based on the Song of Solomon, long attributed to a French monk, Bernard of Clairvaux.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Jason 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)

O Blessed Savior
Gordon Young

**O blessed Savior, grant us peace—
as we come before thy face.**

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

Rev. Coggins

**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

Living Water Emily Crocker

*I will give to you living water from the well of endless life.
As the deer longs for cooling streams, so do I bring you peace. Peace I bring to you.
Whosoever shall drink of the water I give shall thirst no more, I say.
For I say unto you that the water I give shall be in you a well of endless life.*

THE SERMON

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

“When Jesus Needs a Drink”

The Response of God’s People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE (See last page)

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go
ST. MARGARET

This hymn was composed in the manse of Innellan on the evening of the 6th of June, 1882, when the author was 40 years of age. He was alone in the manse at that time. It was the night of his sister’s marriage, and the rest of the family was staying overnight in Glasgow. Something happened that caused him the most severe mental suffering. The hymn was the fruit of that suffering. It was the quickest bit of work he ever did in his life. He had the impression of having it dictated to him by some inward voice rather than of working it out himself. He was quite sure that the whole work was completed in five minutes, and equally sure that it never received at his hands any retouching or correction.

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Lord, Make Me More Holy
arr. Eric Oliver

*Lord make me more holy, until we meet again,
holy, holy, holy, until we meet again.*

POSTLUDE

Gregory Land

Carillon John A. Behnke

(*) 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 based on current level read this way: "If you are at high risk of getting very sick, wear a high-quality mask or respirator (e.g., N95) when indoors in public. If you have household or social contact with someone at high risk for getting very sick, consider self-testing to detect infection before contact, and consider wearing a high-quality mask when indoors with them. Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines, including recommended booster doses. Maintain ventilation improvements. Avoid contact with people who have suspected or confirmed COVID-19. Follow recommendations for isolation if you have suspected or confirmed COVID-19. Follow the recommendations for what to do if you are exposed to someone with COVID-19." 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.fbcd Dayton.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
Bartlett Family	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	Steve Liss	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)

Heritage Committee Meeting

Monday, March 13 @ 1:00pm

Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 15 @ 6:30pm

Week of March 12 – 19

Sun. 12	10:00a	Worship Service (3 rd Sunday in Lent)
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	Sunday School Classes/Activities
	11:30a	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	12:15p	BYF Gathering
Mon. 13	1:00p	Heritage Committee Meeting
Wed. 15	2:00p	Bible Study
	6:30p	Executive Council Meeting
Thu. 16	7:00p	Choir Rehearsal
Sun. 19	10:00a	Worship Service (4 th Sunday in Lent)
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	Sunday School Classes/Activities
	11:30a	Bell Choir Rehearsal

Church Women United's Emma Murray Prayer Breakfast

This breakfast will take place on Tuesday, March 14, at 9:30am at the Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church, 7505 Taylorsville Rd, 45424. Cost is \$10. Please see Linda Ginter-Brown if you would like to attend.

Welcome Class

You may be new (or sort of new!) to our church and would like to get to know more about our congregational life, or you may be interested in becoming a member. Pastor Kent Berghuis is offering a Welcome Class during the month of March from 11:30-12:15 on Sundays. Come and get to know each other and our church better, and become a part of the good things we have going on together!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS

"Loss, Grief, and Lent"

Sundays @ 11:30am-12:15pm

February 26 – March 26, 2023

Facilitators: Rev. David and Peggy 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" – 1 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.

**AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING 2023
MARCH OFFERING**

*“From his fullness we have all received, **grace upon grace.** The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.” John 1:16-17*

Through your generous support, you become the hands and feet of Jesus, serving those in need throughout the U.S. and Puerto Rico with transformational ministries of ABHMS. Special offering envelopes are available in the pew racks.

Ordination Recognition Service

An Ordination Recognition Service for Jeff Perkins is being held March 26, 2023 at 4 pm at University Baptist Church in Bloomington, IN, with a reception following. You are invited to support Jeff in this step on his ministry journey, whether in person or in Spirit!

Jail Ministry

Rev. Don Brown is seeking donations of soft-back Bibles and reading glasses (any strength) for the jail ministry. After a hiatus of nearly three years due to COVID, the visitation ministry of volunteer chaplains is beginning again.

**Good Friday Walk for Justice & Peace
Soup Volunteers Needed!**



On April 7th there will be a Good Friday Walk for Justice & Peace through Downtown Dayton from 12-2pm. This is an ecumenical witness for justice and peace issues based on the Stations of the Cross. The walk begins at Courthouse Square (Third & Main) and ends at First Baptist Church. Rain or shine, come for all or part. **Following the Walk, First Baptist will invite participants to enter the church and into Fellowship Hall where there will be soup and water prepared for them. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board asking for donations of soup and/or help in other ways.**

EASTER FLOWER ORDERS

You are invited to share in the decoration of the sanctuary with spring flowers for Easter Sunday, April 9. A special insert on Easter Sunday will include names of donors and names of those in whose memory or honor a flower is given. A gift of \$20 is suggested. **Please turn in your order/dedication and payment by Monday, April 3.** Checks should be made payable to First Baptist Church and please note ‘Easter Flowers’ on the memo line.

**EASTER FLOWER ORDER / DEDICATION
(PLEASE PRINT)**



Your Name(s): _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

_____ \$20 enclosed

_____ \$20 will be mailed by 4/3/23

CALL TO PRAYER

O BLESSED SAVIOR

(Prayer response)

Slowly *p*

S
A

O bless - ed Sav - ior, grant us peace _____

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B

Detailed description: This system contains the first two staves of the musical score. The top staff is for Soprano and Alto voices, and the bottom staff is for Tenor and Bass voices. The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The tempo is marked 'Slowly' and the dynamic is 'p' (piano). The lyrics are 'O bless - ed Sav - ior, grant us peace _____'. The vocal lines feature a mix of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes.

rit. *pp*

as we come be - fore thy face. _____

Detailed description: This system contains the next two staves of the musical score. The tempo is marked 'rit.' (ritardando) and the dynamic is 'pp' (pianissimo). The lyrics are 'as we come be - fore thy face. _____'. The vocal lines continue with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a fermata. The piano accompaniment features a prominent bass line with a fermata on the final chord.

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HYMN OF RESPONSE

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go 833

1 O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my
 2 O Light that fol-lowest all my way, I yield my
 3 O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not
 4 O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not.

wea - ry soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that
 flick-ering torch to thee; my heart re-stores its bor-rowed ray, that
 close my heart to thee; I trace the rain-bow through the rain, and
 ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, and

in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.
 in thy sun - shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.
 feel the prom - ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.
 from the ground there blos-soms red life that shall end - less be.

This intense hymn of commitment to God (addressed as Love, Light, and Joy) closes with an invocation of the ultimate testimony to those attributes (the Cross). The composer, a Scotsman, named this specially-composed tune for the 11th-century patroness of Scotland.

TEXT: George Matheson, 1881, alt.
 MUSIC: Albert Lister Peace, 1884, alt.

ST. MARGARET
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