

The First Baptist Church at Worship FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER COMMUNION SUNDAY May 7, 2023 ~ 10:00 AM



THE PRELUDE Gregory Land, Organist

Trumpet Voluntary	Jeremiah Clark
Crown Imperial	William Walton
A Coronation March (19	
"Greensleeves"	English Folk Tune
setting by Richard Pur	vis
Processional	Sir David Willcocks
based on the hymn "Westminster Abbe	y" by Henry Purcell

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

One More Day Margaret Pleasant Douroux

One more day, one more day, I thank God just for one more day. One more day, the Lord has made a way, I thank God just for one more day.

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

In you, O LORD, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me. Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.

You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake lead me and guide me, take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge.

Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

(Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16)

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#246 The Church's One Foundation AURELIA

In the mid-nineteenth century, Bishop John William Colenso of Natal raised a ruckus in the Catholic Church when he challenged the historicity and authority of many of the Old Testament books. Bishop Gray of Capetown wrote a stirring response of defense, which, in 1866, inspired Samuel Stone to write this beloved hymn basing his text on Article 9 of the Apostle's Creed: "The Holy Catholic (Universal) Church; the Communion of Saints; He is the Head of this Body." Now an affirmation of Christ as the foundation of our faith, we sing this hymn with those who have gone before us and with Christians

around the world, declaring that beyond any theological differences, cultural divides, and variances in practice, we are all part of the same body, the body of Christ.

Listening for the Word of God

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Alan Carroll

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation--if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 7:55-60

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#57 Be Still, My Soul FINLANDIA

The Finlandia hymn, "Be Still, My Soul" refers to a serene hymn-like section of the patriotic symphonic poem Finlandia, written by the Finnish composer Jean Sibelius. It was later re-worked by the composer into a standalone piece. This piece was be set to various text by many hymn writers, and the hymn continues to be a favorite among Christians throughout the world and especially in the midwestern regions of the United States of America.

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 pgs. 7-8)

Dwell in the House arr. Gail Jones Murphy

One thing have I desired of the Lord, one thing have I desired of the Lord, and that will I seek after, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house, dwell in the house, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. David Coggins

CHORAL ANTHEM Chancel Choir

Is Your All On the Altar arr. William H. Caldwell

You have longed for sweet peace, and for faith to increase, and have earnestly, fervently prayed.

But you cannot have rest, or be perfectly blest, until all on the altar is laid.

Would you walk with the Lord in the light of His word, and have peace and contentment always? You must do His sweet will to be free from all ill on the altar your all you must lay.

O we never can know what the Lord will bestow of the blessings for which we have prayed, till our body and should He doth fully control, and our all on the altar is laid.

Who can tell all the love He will send from above, and how happy our hearts will be made, Of the fellowship sweet we shall share at His feet when our all on the altar is laid.

Refrain: Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid? Your heart does the spirit control? You can only be blest and have peace and sweet rest, as you yield Him your body and soul.

THE SERMON Rev. Dr. Berghuis

"A Vision to Die For"

Holy Communion

INVITATION TO THE TABLE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Coggins

SHARING OF THE BREAD (See pgs. 9-10)

Vs. 1-2 *Risen Lord, We Gather Round You* HOLY MANNA

SHARING OF THE CUP (See pgs. 9-10)

Vs. 3-4 *Risen Lord, We Gather Round You*HOLY MANNA

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

#582 *Down at the Cross* GLORY TO HIS NAME

"Glory to His Name" (also called "Down at the Cross") is a hymn written by Elisha A. Hoffman in 1878. It is thought that Hoffman was reading about the crucifixion of Jesus in the Bible and began to think about how God saved men from their sins by allowing Jesus to die on the cross.

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, That in Your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.

POSTLUDE Gregory Land

(*) 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 "Low" COVID-19 Community Level. Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines, including recommended booster doses. Avoid contact with people who have suspected or confirmed COVID-19. Follow recommendations for isolation if you have suspected or confirmed 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.fbcdayton.org/).

Week of May 7 – 14

Sun. 7	10:00a	Worship Service w/Communion
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	Sunday School Classes/Activities
	12:15p	VBS Planning Meeting (Chapel)
Mon. 8	5:00p	Endowment Committee Meeting
Wed. 10	2:00p	Bible Study
	6:30p	Board Meetings
Thu. 11	7:00p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sat. 13	11:00a	. Memorial Service for Emily Taylor
	3:00-4:30p	Garden Planting
Sun. 14	10:00a	Worship Service – Mother's Day
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	Sunday School Classes/Activities

Taylor Memorial Service

A Memorial Service for Emily Taylor will be held on Saturday, May 13 at 11:00am, FBC. (In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations be made to First Baptist Church of Dayton or to the Widows Home of Dayton.)

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 Chas Snyder Ray Landis Jessica Blair Anna Frances Lasley Kaye Suryk Don Brown Lasley Family **Taylor Family** Rob Brown Gene & Mary K Lee Anne Veghte Gerald Busch Steve Liss Dorothy Williams Mary Anne Chadbourne Vincent Liss Kay Wingham Pamela Cress Tom McKenzie Florida Dixon Arthur Merkle Military Duty: David Donovan Nash Family Sebastian Ewald Jim Earnest Mary Ann Paloncy Sunny Ewald **Neil Earnest** Susan Parent Brittany Kalbfleisch Tim Earnest Brenda Proffitt Kvle Kline Bev & Bill Harrell Lane & Marcia Riffey Will Radachi Lavanda Ferguson Judy See Andy Wilson Barbara Jett Judy Smith

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – MAY 2023 Faith & Story

Led by Pastor Jason Alspaugh Sundays, May 7-28 @ 11:30am-12:15pm 1st Floor - CHAPEL

In years past we have had classes on Faith & Film, using the storytelling that takes place in everyday movies to evoke conversations about matters of life and faith. During the month of May, I would like to try something a little different, and invite us to just listen to stories that have been shared through podcasts/radio such as the Moth Radio Hour that also relate to life and faith. We will listen to some select stories in our class time and then follow up with reflections and discussion. The hope is that in listening to these stories together we will discover points of empathy and be inspired to tell our own stories. On their website, THE MOTH says it "celebrates the ability of stories to honor both the diversity and commonality of human experience, and to satisfy a vital human need for connection." This kind of community building is important in the life of faith as well, and I hope you'll take this opportunity for us to connect and grow together.

VBS Planning Meeting

Today, May 7 @ 12:15

Anyone interested in helping us with our plans for VBS 2023 is invited to join us for a brief (30-mins.) initial meeting today, **May 7 after Sunday School (12:15pm) in the 1st Floor Chapel**. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Jason (jalspaugh@fbcdayton.org).

Garden Planting Saturday, May 13 @ 3:00-4:30pm

Join us on May 13th from 3:00-4:30 for the next round of planting in the FBC garden. (The vegetables grown in the church garden are donated to the House of Bread, where a hot, nutritious lunchtime meal is served to anyone in need, 365 days a year!)

MAY MEETINGS

Endowment Committee: Monday, May 8 @ 5:00pm **Board Meetings:** Wednesday, May 10 @ 6:30pm **Executive Council:** Wednesday, May 17 @ 6:30pm

Monthly Grief Support Group

Third Sunday @ 11:30-12:15

We will be offering a monthly Grief Support Group. The group will be led by Pastor David and Peggy Coggins on the 3rd Sunday of the month during the Sunday School class time of 11:30-12:15. (Next date: May 21) The group will meet in the classroom next to the choir room. You are encouraged to bring your personal journals if you have one. The format of the group will be interactive dialogue with personal sharing of grief experiences, coping methods and resources for growth. It will be the determination of the group to continue through the summer months. All are welcome.

Take Me Out to the Ballgame

Join us at the Dayton Dragons game on Friday, May 19 at 7:00pm! The Board of Christian Education is sponsoring this event. Tickets are \$10 per person and may be purchased from Janet Landis. Cash or check, and please note 'Dayton Dragons' on check.

Founder's Sunday – May 28th

First Baptist Church will honor those who have been members of FBC for 50 years or more during our Sunday morning worship service on May 28th. Not only do we recognize them for their contributions given in the past, we are mindful that they make significant contributions to the life of the church in the present.

Education Sunday - June 4th

Each year we take time in worship to recognize those who have served in the education ministry of our church—Sunday School teachers, Vacation Bible School volunteers, Children's Messengers, and others. And we celebrate those who are graduating from high schools or universities.

CALL FOR GRADUATES! If you or someone in your family will be graduating this spring, we would be happy to include you/them in our list of graduates. Contact the church office (fbc@fbcdayton.org) with the graduate's name, institution of learning, and degree if applicable. Also it would be helpful to know if you/they will be present in worship on that Sunday.

Dayton Pride 2023 – United We Can June 2-3, 2023

We are once again participating in Dayton Pride on Saturday, June 3rd, Noon-4pm, walking in the parade (line-up is at 11am on St. Clair by the Downtown Library) and participating in the festival with a booth on Courthouse Square. We are forming an ad hoc planning team to help with our preparations, and invite you to be a part of it. This group will particularly help with figuring out what materials/handouts we will have for our booth. Just let Pastor Jason know if you'd like to help in this way (jalspaugh@fbcdayton.org). We'll be scheduling a meeting soon. We will also need folks to sign up to be at our booth for some portion of the day on June 3 to hand out materials and engage with festival-goers. This is a wonderful opportunity to share a word about God's inclusive love and our church's welcome and affirmation. Prior to the parade line-up, at 10:00am, we will be raising our pride flag out in front of the church, sharing in a short litany/blessing. All are welcome to join us for this as well. Also note that the day before, on Friday, June 2nd there is Pride Affair on the Square at Courthouse Square from 6-10pm with festivities featuring the Rubi Girls. You're invited to show up for this time of fun as well.

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Dwell in the House

I love the house where you live, O LORD, the place where your glory dwells.

Psalm 26:7



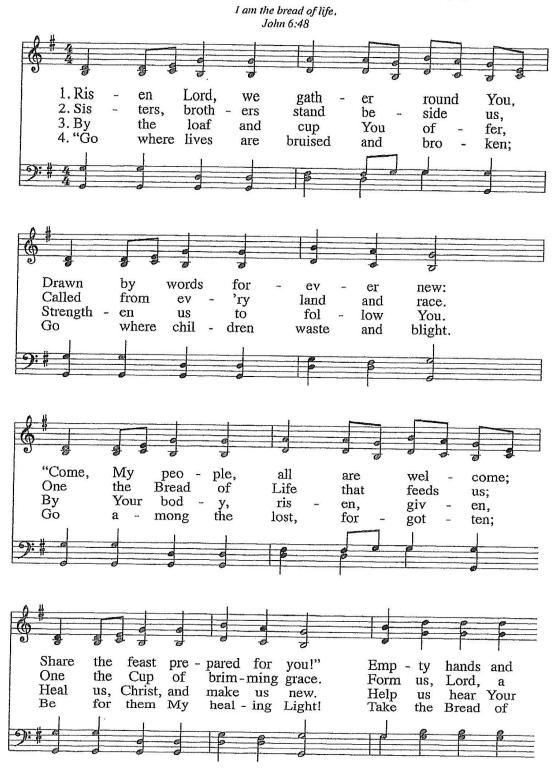
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Risen Lord, We Gather Round You



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