



The First Baptist Church at Worship
 3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
 FATHERS DAY
 June 18, 2023 ~ 10:00 AM



THE PRELUDE

Dr. Melody Williams, Soloist
 Gregory Land, Organist

Three Negro Spirituals

My Lord What a Mornin' arr. H. T. Burleigh
 Trampin' arr. Edward Boatner
 Oh What a Beautiful City arr. Edward Boatner

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.

WELCOME & RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,

I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.

O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds.

I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.

I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!

(Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19)

*OPENING HYMN

#158 *Jesus Shall Reign*
 DUKE STREET

In 2007, author Sally Lloyd-Jones released the *Jesus Storybook Bible*. This book for children (but loved by adults, too) tells forty-four Bible stories from the Old and New Testament in such a way that each story points to Jesus. It teaches all who read it that the story of Jesus is really the story of the entire Bible. While Lloyd-Jones' book captured the hearts of millions, her message is not a new one. In 1719, Isaac Watts published a hymnal entitled *The Psalms of David, Imitated*. In this hymnal, he paraphrased many of the Psalms, but in a very different style than many of his predecessors. The order of the day was to keep any paraphrase as close to the text as possible. Watts decided to do otherwise, and his interpretations of the psalms are quite loose, in an effort to write something new while keeping the spirit of the Psalm. His versification of Psalm 72 is no different. He interprets the psalm using a Christological lens. The king referenced in the psalm is Christ, and could be no one else. Watts, like Lloyd-Jones, understood that the Old Testament makes sense in light of the New, and vice versa. There are many different stories in the Bible, but they are all part of the one great Story.

Listening for the Word of God

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7

Linda Ginter-Brown

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on--since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

The LORD dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah as he had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said, "God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me." And she said, "Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

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

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#631 *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*
DONNA

This hymn is about putting your hope in Jesus, whose love will never let you go, and the hope we can have in eternity. We experience many loves through this life, but also the loss of love as well. The author of this hymn, George Matheson, lost his eyesight, his fiancée, and his sister. This unfamiliar tune is by the prolific music educator and composer Ralph Manuel who is known for his choral wonderful arrangement of Alleluia.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. David Coggins

(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

#412 v.1 *Sweet Hour of Prayer*
SWEET HOUR

**Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, that calls me from a world of care
and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known!
In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief,
and oft escaped the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer.**

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.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Dr. Melody Williams, Soprano

He's Got the Whole World In His Hands arr. Margaret Bonds

THE SERMON

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

"Surprised by Parenthood"

The Response of God's People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#349 *To God Be the Glory*
TO GOD BE THE GLORY

"To God Be the Glory" celebrates the greatness of God and calls upon an appreciation for the wondrous things "He hath done." It is a glorious hymn to be sung joyfully in the spirit of gratitude.

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION

#523 *God Be with You*
William G. Tomer

**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

Dr. Melody Williams and Gregory Land

Ride On! King Jesus arr. Hall Johnson

(*) 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!



Happy Father's Day!

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.

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

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Welcome Melody!

Dr. Melody Jean Williams is our soloist this morning. She was born in Columbia, South Carolina to Dr. and Mrs. James Arthur Williams. She is a graduate of Stillman College in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and has graduate degrees in Theology from Payne Theological Seminary and United Theological Seminary. She has performed as a soloist and Evangelist throughout the world and has lived in the Virgin Islands and the continent of Africa. She has appeared on the Trinity Broadcast as a soloist and continues to provide ministry throughout the world. She is no stranger to our First Baptist family where she serves as a soloist and member of the Chancel Choir. Let us welcome Dr. Melody Williams.

Week of June 18 – 25

Sun. 18	10:00a	Worship Service – Father’s Day
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	11:15a	Grief Group
Wed. 21	6:30p	Executive Council Meeting
Sun. 25	10:00a	Worship Service
	11:15a	Leave for the Church Picnic

Monthly Grief Support Group at FBC Summer Schedule

Third Sunday: June 18, July 16, August 20
11:15-12:00

The group will be led by Pastor David and Peggy Coggins on the 3rd Sunday of the month. During the summer months we will meet after church from 11:15-12:00 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. All are welcome.

Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, June 21 @ 6:30pm

CHURCH PICNIC

Sunday, June 25 @ Oak Grove Park in Centerville

1790 East Social Row, Centerville 45458
(Rt. 48 South to Social Row, turn left)

Time: After church until 5pm

Main dish & beverages provided

Bring a dish to share!

GAMES – FISHING – PLAYGROUND

RSVP if you plan to attend!



AMERICAN BAPTIST JUNE OFFERING

One Great Hour of Sharing: It's Time to Share

"So let's not allow ourselves to get fatigued doing good. At the right time we will harvest a good crop if we don't give up..." – Galatians 6:9

In Galatians, the Apostle Paul encourages followers of Jesus to generously help and care for others. Though there is great need in the world and we can grow weary because we do not know how to help, God's Spirit energizes and re-energizes us in every season. We can make a difference. We do make a difference. Your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing provide immediate aid and long-term support to people experiencing hunger, thirst, disaster, or crisis around the world. The need has never been greater. The opportunity is now. **It's time to share.** OGHS offering envelopes are located in the pew racks.



Kids Sunday School Teachers Needed for Summer 2023

We are again seeking volunteers to teach our Kids One-Room Sunday School Class (preK-5) this summer (June 11-Sept. 3). There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway across from the 1st Floor restrooms. Note that there are two slots for each Sunday, as we require two adults be present in the classroom. Curriculum will be distributed to volunteers for each week, and teaching partners can decide together what parts they will lead. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor Jason or Janet Landis (Christian Education chairperson). They will also be on-hand to provide resources, supplies, etc. throughout the summer.

VBS 2023 – Jesus Stories

July 17-21 @ 9:30am-Noon

PreK – 5th Grade

The Board of Christian Education (CE) and Pastor Jason are looking forward offering another week of Vacation Bible School for kids in our church and community this summer on July 17-21. This year's theme will be "Jesus Stories" and each day we will explore stories about Jesus and stories (parables) by Jesus. If you'd like to be a part of our VBS planning and/or leadership team, there are plenty of opportunities to do so. We will need volunteers to:



- Design and decorate our VBS spaces ahead of time
- Register and welcome kids each morning
- Help lead opening and closing music with the kids (children & youth are invited to help here, too)
- Lead our kids around to the various stations during VBS (assisting with crafts, etc.)
- Serve as story-tellers
- Help plan and lead games with the kids

There are lots of ways to be involved. If you're interested in helping out, please speak with Pastor Jason (jalspaugh@fbcdayton.org) or Janet Landis, chair of Christian Education. *VBS registration forms are available on the table by the church office door.*

June Offering: One Great Hour of Sharing

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