

The First Baptist Church at Worship 7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 16, 2023 ~ 10:00 AM



THE PRELUDE

R. Alan Kimbrough, Organist Michael Cage, Soloist

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 & CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

*OPENING HYMN

#45 *The God of Abraham Praise* LEONI

This hymn comes from a Jewish creedal doxology that is sung during the Sabbath eve service every week in some traditions. Thomas Olivers made a Christological translation around 1770, from which these stanzas are taken. The hymn begins by praising God for His might and power, as displayed through His relationship with His people, and ends by looking forward to when all the people of God will join in everlasting praise around the throne of God in heaven.

Listening for the Word of God

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 25:21-34

Rev. Jeff Perkins

Isaac prayed to the LORD for his wife, because she was barren; and the LORD granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the LORD. And the LORD said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger." When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Rev. David Coggins

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

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

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*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#71 Be Thou My Vision SLANE

According to mythology, when St. Patrick was a missionary in Ireland in the 5th century, King Logaire of Tara decreed that no one was allowed to light any fires until a pagan festival was begun by the lighting of a fire on Slane Hill. In a move of defiance against this pagan ritual, St. Patrick did light a fire, and, rather than execute him, the king was so impressed by his devotion that he let Patrick continue his missionary work. Three centuries later, a monk named Dallan Forgaill wrote the Irish poem, "Rop tú mo Baile" ("Be Thou my Vision"), to remember and honor the faith of St. Patrick. Forgaill was martyred by pirates, but his poetry lived on as a part of the Irish monastic tradition for centuries until, in the early 20th century, Mary Elizabeth Byrne translated the poem into English, and in 1912, Eleanor Hull versified the text into what is now a well-loved hymn and prayer that at every moment of our lives, God would be our vision above all else.

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

#362 I Love You, Lord

I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You. O my soul, rejoice! Take joy, my King, in what You hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE

Rev. Coggins

Beverly Harrell
December 8, 1933 - July 5, 2023

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

Rev. Coggins

SPECIAL MUSIC Michael Cage, Bass

"To God Be the Glory" William H. Doane (#349 in the hymnal)

THE SERMON Rev. Dr. Berghuis

"Sibling Rivalry"

The Response of God's People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#163 Wonderful Words of Life WORDS OF LIFE

In 1874 Phillip Bliss was in high demand as a musician and composer. His primary means of income was in giving concerts and singing at conventions, accompanied by his wife Lucy, through which he could promote and sell his music. At the same time, he had been recruited to lead music part-time for the evangelistic campaigns of Major Daniel Webster Whittle. Over the winter of 1873–1874, another major evangelist, Dwight L. Moody, petitioned Bliss and Whittle to join forces with him. Bliss wrote Wonderful Words of Life for a paper of the same name for a company in Chicago in 1874.

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION

#522 *O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life*ST. PETER

O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life, be with us now, we pray; direct our steps as we go forth to do Your will this day.

O faithful Guide, renew our trust in love that does not fail;

And give us strength to work and pray, that peace may soon prevail.

POSTLUDE R. Alan Kimbrough

(*) 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.

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 (https://www.fbcdayton.org/).

Welcome to Our Guest Musician Michael Cage

Our soloist this morning is bass Michael Cage who is a native of Detroit Michigan. He is a graduate of Central State University and is currently working with the United States Air Force. Michael continues to sing and teach in the community and is a member of the Chancel Choir here at First Baptist. Michael has performed with the Dayton Opera and with the Dayton Philharmonic on special occasions. He is married and has two boys that also accompany him to church and choir rehearsal. Let us welcome Michael Cage.

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

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Week of July 16 – 23

Sun. 16		
		Monthly Grief Support Group
Mon. 17	9:30-Noon	Vacation Bible School
Tue. 18	9:30-Noon	Vacation Bible School
Wed. 19	9:30-Noon	Vacation Bible School
Thu. 20	9:30-Noon	Vacation Bible School
Fri. 21	9:30-12:30	Vacation Bible School
	6-10p	Firepit Fellowship at Dorothy Lane BC
Sun. 23	10:00a	Worship Service
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship

Monthly Grief Support Group

Today, July 16 @ 11:15-12:00

VBS 2023 – Jesus Stories July 17-21, 2023 for PreK-5th Grade 9:30am-Noon, M-Th 9:30am-12:30pm, F



Join us for a fun week of Vacation Bible School with music, story times, crafts, games and more, as we explore stories *about* Jesus and stories (parables) *by* Jesus. **Early registration is encouraged**, and the form is online at www.fbcdayton.org and also at the church office. If you'd like to be a part of our VBS planning and/or leadership team, there are still plenty of opportunities to do so. If you're interested in helping out, please speak with Pastor Jason (jalspaugh@fbcdayton.org) or Janet Landis, chair of Christian Education.

Firepit Fellowship

Friday, July 21 @ 6-10pm Dorothy Lane American Baptist Church



Dorothy Lane American Baptist Church (960 W Dorothy Lane) invites us to join them on Friday, July 21st for their monthly "Friday Firepit Fellowship." Come any time from 6-10pm. Hot dogs, brats, chips, drinks and fixings for s'mores will be provided. Bring lawn chairs, and you are welcome but not required to bring extra finger foods. Pastor Kent plans to attend, let him know if you plan to go, too.

INTERFAITH FORUM OF GREATER DAYTON "Essence of Compassion" from Faith Perspectives

Sunday, July 30 @ 3:30-5:30PM
First Baptist Church of Dayton
Rev. Joe Henry, Presenter - Christian Tradition

(Prior 2023 programs were Essence of Forgiveness: Dayton Mercy Society, and Essence of Prayer. Sikh Gurdwara of Dayton)

Back to School Celebration Sunday, August 13 @ 11:30am



As the summer break comes to a close, we wanted to host a time of celebration for our children & youth, celebrating summer adventures and looking forward to the coming school year. On Sunday, August 13, we'll gather in the Fellowship Hall after worship and share in pizza, snacks, freshly made popcorn, and more. There will even be some back-to-school prizes. We'll also be welcoming our newest incoming youth to Baptist Youth Fellowship (BYF).

If you'd like to share photos from your summer adventures in a slideshow, please send them to Pastor Jason at jalspaugh40@gmail.com.

Heritage Committee: Call for Volunteers

The Heritage Committee is gearing up for the church's big Bicentennial Year in 2024. We have many projects that we could use volunteers to help on:

- Help sorting pictures and materials for archiving. We need people who are likely to know the names
 of the folks in pictures. Stay tuned for some specific workdays coming up in August.
- Second is scanning and cataloguing of the many photos that have been collected. While the originals
 will be eventually placed in the archives at Wright State, we need scanned versions of the pictures to
 use in our updated church history and to create a digital church "photo album". Guidelines for this
 have been developed.
- If you already have some digitized photos that are ideally labeled with date, event and names of people if possible, can you send to Donna.

Contact Donna Miles Curry (937-470-5643 or <u>donna.curry@wright.edu</u>) if you need more information or can help us out. And stay tuned... we hope to have a master list of dates to be saved for all the events planned for the Bicentennial Year celebration.

For now...

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SAVE THE DATE!
Memorial Day Weekend ~ Sunday, May 26, 2024 ~
Founders Day Service and Banquet