The First Baptist Church at Worship 9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 30, 2023 ~ 10:00 AM

THE PRELUDE

Reflections on Southern Hymn Tunes ..... Louie L. White "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" "Wondrous Love" "When I Can Read My Title Clear"

Simple Song from Mass ..... Leonard Bernstein

# In Praise to the Lord

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

\*OPENING HYMN

A three-fold ringing of three signifies the presence of the triune God: Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

WELCOME & RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples. People: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works. Leader: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice. People: Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually. Leader: Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered, People: He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

(Psalm 105:1-5, 7)

**#607** *I Will Sing the Wondrous Story* HYFRYDOL

In Psalm 66, the psalmist says, "Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul." In this hymn, we declare the goodness of God in calling us to Himself and in continuing to guide us until the end of our lives.

Listening for the Word of God

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 128

Happy is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways. You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be happy, and it shall go well with you. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. Thus shall the man be blessed who fears the LORD. The LORD bless you from Zion. May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life. May you see your children's children. Peace be upon Israel!

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Leader: People: Thanks be to God!

Gregory Land, Organist Matthew Swanson, Soloist

Rev. David Coggins

**Ginger Tiffner** 



#### People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **People:** Thanks be to God!

#### \*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

This hymn is one of many collaborations between Crosby and composer William Doane. The late Baptist hymnologist William J. Reynolds provides the context for the composition of the hymn in 1874 during a visit by Crosby to Doane's home in Cincinnati, Ohio. One evening she and Doane talked at length about the nearness of God in their lives. When Fanny went to her room, her mind and heart were flooded with ideas from their conversation. Before she went to sleep, the lines of "I am thine, O Lord" were in her mind... The next morning she recited the words to Doane, who wrote down the stanzas and composed the tune.

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(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

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.

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

Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth *from* Elijah ...... Felix Mendelssohn

#### THE SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Ticket to Ride"

**#504** *I Am Thine, O Lord* I AM THINE

**#362** *I Love You, Lord* I LOVE YOU, LORD

**Rev. Jason Alspaugh** 

Rev. Alspaugh

Matthew Swanson, Tenor

Rev. Coggins

AYER (Debts/Debtors)

# The Response of God's People

**#548** When We All Get to Heaven HEAVEN

"When We All Get to Heaven" is a Christian hymn written by Eliza Hewitt in 1898. Hewitt praises the wondrous love of Jesus and looks to the day we will all be reunited in the kingdom of heaven. Learn more about her courageous story and the inspirational lyrics of this hymn.

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Rev. Coggins

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

**Gregory Land** 

Variations on "Pisgah" ...... Southern Hymn Tune setting by Dale Wood

(\*) 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 <u>https://www.youtube.com/</u> and look for First Baptist Church Dayton Ohio, or check our website (<u>http://www.fbcdayton.org/</u>).

# **Welcome Musical Guest**

Dr. Matthew Swanson, a native of the great state of Iowa is associate director of the world-renowned May Festival Chorus and serves as the director of the May Festival Youth Chorus. He is a graduate of the Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music and serves as a clinician and guest conductor throughout the country. He also serves on the faculty of Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio. We welcome Matthew to our service this morning. Matthew works with our Music Director Dr. William Henry Caldwell who also serves on the Board of Directors for the Cincinnati May Festival.

## **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, j	olease let us know.)	
Jason Alspaugh	Tim Holmen	Judy See	
Elizabeth Ard	Tom Huguley	Judy Smith	
Jessica Blair	Lavanda Ferguson	Chas Snyder	
Gail Bowman	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	
Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)			

## Week of July 30 – August 6

Sun. 30	10:00a	Worship Service
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	3-5p	Interfaith Forum of Great Dayton Program (FBC)
Sun. 6	10:00a	Worship Service with Communion
	11:15a	Birthday Celebration for Rev. Jim Earnest

# INTERFAITH FORUM OF GREATER DAYTON "Essence of Compassion" from Faith Perspectives TODAY! July 30 @ <u>3:00-5:00pm</u> (New timeframe!)

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)

# 101st Birthday Celebration for Rev. Jim Earnest



#### Sunday, August 6 @ 11:30am

In recent years we have done drive-by parades to celebrate Rev. Jim's birthday, but this year we invite you to join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship on Sunday, August 6th for a special celebration of his 101st birthday. All are welcome!



## **August Church Meetings**

Board Meetings: Wed, Aug 9, 6:30pm Executive Council Meeting: Wed, Aug 16, 6:30pm

### 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.

#### Monthly Grief Support Group at FBC Summer Schedule Third Sunday: August 20 11:30 – 12:15

Pastor David and Peggy Coggins continue to lead a Grief Support Group on the 3rd Sunday of the month. During the summer months we will meet after church from 11:30-12:15 in the classroom next to the choir room. The format of the group will be interactive dialogue with personal sharing of grief experiences, coping methods and resources for growth. On August 20th we will be sharing a special memory of an experience in our own life, or an event shared with a loved one or friend. All are welcome.

### 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 are openings to fill! 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.

# 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.