# The First Baptist Church at Worship 15th Sunday After Pentecost Homecoming Sunday

<u>September 10, 2022</u>

10:00 AM

THE PRELUDE

Gregory Land, Organist R. Alan Kimbrough, Pianist

# 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** 

Bless His Holy Name Andrae Crouch

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name. He has done great things, bless His holy name

**WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Rev. David Coggins

\*OPENING HYMN

**#590** The Solid Rock

The refrain of *The Solid Rock* also known as *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* refers to the Parable of the Wise and the Foolish Builders and builds around the metaphor of Christ as a rock with a firm basis in scripture. The hymn is one that affirms Christ Jesus as the Lord who can never fail and portrays Jesus Christ as the solid rock that can never sink or fail. The writer expresses this in the refrain, "On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand," which inspires every believer who truly believes in Jesus to proclaim their faith. Every believer who truly depends on Jesus as the author and finisher of their faith will be reminded of this by the lyrics of this hymn. Jesus is the solid rock who never fails or disappoints.

# The Celebration of Holy Baptism (Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis)

#### Debbie Smith

Faith Partner: Linda Thomson

#### **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

We rejoice in God's empowering love, freely given to each and all. We welcome you, newly baptized, into the circle of love in Christ's church. We praise God for the gifts of ministry that you bring to this community. We promise to pray for you, to seek the depths of faith with you, to support you, and to love you. We covenant with

you to love God with all our hearts, minds, souls and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves.

# Reading & Proclaiming God's Word

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** 

Jerome Stueart

Exodus 12:1-14: The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

### NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

Romans 13:8-14: Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

\*THE FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#656 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love

This is a folk-style song of petition, asking for Jesus' help in serving people. It is based on John 13:1-17, Jesus washing the disciples' feet, and the melody is adapted from a Ghanaian folk song that the author heard during his years of service in that country. The tune name CHEREPONI comes from a town in northern Ghana, where the hymn was written.

#### 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 handout)

Learning to Lean
John Stallings

Learning to lean, learning to lean, I'm learning to lean on Jesus.
Finding more power than I've ever seen.
I'm learning to lean on Jesus.

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

Rev. Coggins

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir Directed by William Henry Caldwell

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name ...... Tom Fettle

When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of your fingers; the moon and stars suspended in space, Oh what is man that you are mindful of him? You have given man a crown of glory and honor and have made him a little lower than the angels. You have put him in charge of all creation; the beast of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea. But what is man, Oh, what is man that you are mindful of him. O Lord our God, the majesty and Glory of your name transcends the earth and fills the heavens. O Lord our God, little children praise you perfectly, and so would we, and so would we. Alleluia.

THE SERMON

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

"Faith at the Doorposts"

# The Response of God's People

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#500 Just As I Am WOODWORTH

In 1828, at the age of 32, Charlotte Elliott suffered a serious illness that left her a semi-invalid. This caused depression, and within the year she experienced a severe spiritual crisis. Swiss evangelist Henri A. César Malan was visiting her family, and she confessed to him that she didn't know how to come to Christ. His famous response was, "Come to him just as you are." Her depression continued, however. One night, twelve years later, she lay awake, distressed by her uselessness as an invalid, and by doubts of her spiritual life. The next day, as she reflected on the previous night, she decided she needed to meet her spiritual troubles head on and conquer them by the grace of God. So she "gathered up in her soul the grand certainties, not of her emotions, but of her salvation: her Lord, His power, His promise." She took up pen and paper, and wrote down her own "formulae of faith," remembering those words of the visiting evangelist. In the end she had the

text "Just as I am, without one plea." Her rule of faith has since become a comfort to millions, and we join with all Christians who experience doubt and uncertainty in their faith when we declare that Christ invites us to come to Him, just as we are. God does not care what we have or where we came from. The only thing that matters to God is that we love one another and we love Him back. God's love shows forgiveness, faithfulness, and peace. Just like the song "Just As I Am" we should not fear that we will not be accepted by God. We will be, as long as we trust Him.

# The Right Hand of Fellowship

Today we extend the Right Hand of Fellowship to:

#### **Debbie Smith**

Debbie joins by Baptism. Her faith partner is Linda Thomson.

# Receiving the Right Hand of Fellowship

Deacon:

My friends, in the presence of God and these witnesses, having professed your faith in Jesus Christ, do you now give yourself unreservedly to Christ's service, and enter into the fellowship, the joys, and the responsibilities of membership in this church?

Response: I do.

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Congregation: As members of this church, we gladly welcome you into the hopes, the labors, and the joys of the Church of Jesus Christ. We promise to walk with you in Christian love and

sympathy, and to promote, as far as in us lies, your growth in the Christian life.

Deacon:

"So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into the Holy temple of the Lord."

(Ephesians 2:12-21)

**BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL** 

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Forth From This Place
Hall Hopson

Forth from this place O Lord, we go, thy holy will to try and do; Give us the strength for every task, and bless us on our way.

**POSTLUDE** 

Gregory Land and R. Alan Kimbrough

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ...... Welsh Hymn Tune
Setting by Ham-Varner

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

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

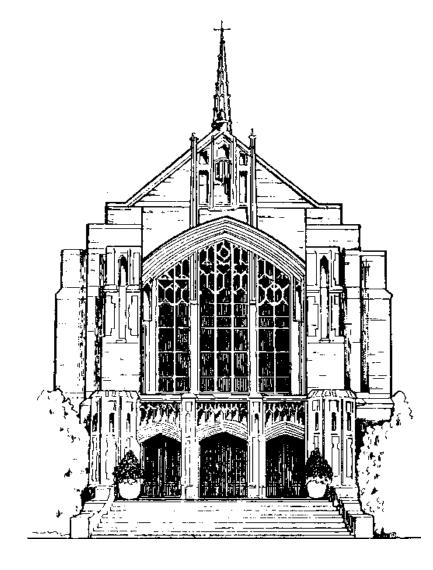
# Week of September 10 – 17

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Sun. 10	10:00a	Worship Service – Homecoming Sunday
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	Sunday School Classes / Activities
	11:30a	Acolyte Training
	12:15p	BYF Gathering
Wed.13	2:00p	Bible Study
	6:30p	Board Meetings
Thu. 14	7:00p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sun. 17	10:00a	Worship Service
	11:15a	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	Congregational Meeting: "Preservation of Light"
		(No Sunday School Classes)

(See handout for additional announcements and Call to Prayer music sheet.)

# First Baptist Church of Dayton 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOMECOMING SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2022



#### **Our Mission Statement:**

To celebrate God's love as a community of believers in Jesus Christ through worship, education, fellowship, and outreach to others.

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