

The First Baptist Church at Worship
16th Sunday After Pentecost

September 17, 2023

10:00 AM

THE PRELUDE Gregory Land, Organist

French Masterworks for Organ

Communion Louis Vierne

Meditation Gabriel Dupont

Toccata Eugene Gigout

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. Jason Alspaugh

*OPENING HYMN #310 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
HYMN TO JOY

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee, written to the music of Beethoven's Ninth
Symphony, is a vital and happy expression of the cheerful note that is the heart
of the Christian religion. It begins, as Christianity itself began, in a whole-
souled and hearty yes to life as Jesus lived it in God.

Listening for the Word of God

PSALTER LESSON Jerome Stueart

Psalm 103:1-13: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me,
bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all
his benefits--who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love
and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your
youth is renewed like the eagle's. The LORD works vindication and
justice for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel. The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow
to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always accuse, nor
will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our
sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are
high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who
fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our
transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so
the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.

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

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON

Rev. David Coggins

Romans 12:1-8: I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the
mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and
acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed
to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that
you may discern what is the will of God--what is good and acceptable
and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you
not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think
with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God
has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all
the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one
body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We
have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in
proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the
exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence;
the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
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*THE FELLOWSHIP HYMN #601 O How I Love Jesus
O HOW I LOVE JESUS

The love of Christ is a central element of Christian belief and theology. It refers
to the love of Jesus Christ for humanity, the love of Christians for Christ, and
the love of Christians for others. Often sung as a children's song, this powerful
hymn still resonates with everyone in the Kingdom of God. This is what love
is: it is not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his son to be
the means by which our sins are forgiven.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. 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 (Room 4) after the Children's Message for a "One Room Sunday
School" class. Parents are asked to pick up their children after service.)

CALL TO PRAYER (See back panel) 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.**

RESPONSIVE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and Elijah Cox, Leader
THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts/Debtors)

Holy and Gracious God
We give you thanks for the gift of life for the gift of your Son
for the gift of the Holy Spirit

**Lead us through the trials, the suffering and sorrow,
the challenges and struggles, the tired times and dark places.**

Be with those who weep or cannot sleep,
who have no peace, who seek release.

Lead us with grace, with love, with peace.

Fill us with hope, with patience, with stamina.

Transform us in your image, in your Son, in your Name.

Transform us to grow, to understand, to see.

Transform us that we can be made whole.

And in wholeness may we be the hands and heart of Christ.

Who taught us to pray:

**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.**

— adapted from prayer written by Terri (2009) and
posted on the [RevGalBlogPals](http://RevGalBlogPals.com) website

ANTHEM Chancel Choir
Directed by William Henry Caldwell

Dwell In the House Gale Jones Murphy

*One thing have I desired of the Lord, and that will I seek after, that I may
dwell in the house of the Lord. All of the days of my life! To behold the
beauty of the Lord and to inquire in His temple, this is my heart's desire.*

THE SERMON Rev. Alspaugh

"Be Transformed Again"

Responding to the Word of God

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #41 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy
WELLESLEY

The ultimate theme of this hymn is based on the premise and paradox that a
sovereign God, unlike earthly rulers, demonstrates welcome, kindness,
grace and mercy. All we need to do is have a simple faith that rests upon
God's word.

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL Rev. Alspaugh

*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

Grand Chorus Dialogue Eugene Gigout

(* You're invited to rise in body or in spirit!

Please drop off your offering and yellow card in the basket as you leave.



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.fbcdayton.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.)

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

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Week of September 17 – 24

Sun. 17	10:00a	.....	Worship Service
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	.....	Congregational Meeting: "Preservation of Light"
		.....	(No Sunday School Classes)
Wed.20	6:30p	.....	Executive Council Meeting
Thu. 21	7:00p	.....	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sun. 24	10:00a	.....	Worship Service
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	.....	Sunday School for All Ages
	12:15p	.....	BYF Gathering

Congregational Meeting: "Preservation of Light"

TODAY, SEPT. 17

The Trustees will give a presentation on the stained glass window repair project—"Preservation of Light" Campaign—after worship service today in fellowship hall. You are encouraged to attend this important congregational meeting. **Note: Supervised movie & snack time for children and youth will be held in the chapel during the presentation.**

Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, Sept. 20, 6:30pm

BYF Gathering Next Sunday

Sunday, Sept. 24 @ 12:15-2:30pm

First Baptist Church Women United

Don't forget the upcoming board meeting at Dorothy Lane Baptist Church Tuesday, Sept. 26th at 1:00 p.m. Tom Lasley will be our speaker and will update us on Learn to Earn. Let's support one of our own. On Tuesday, October 24th Angie Berghuis will be speaking on the National Park Service here in Dayton. Bragging rights to the person who can name all the parks! *Linda Ginter-Brown*

CityHeart's 8th Annual Fundraising Event

CityHeart is an urgent needs ministry based in Christ Episcopal Church, and we support them financially and refer people to them for help. Their Annual Fundraising Event will be held Thursday, October 5, from 6-8 PM at the Presidential Banquet Center. You can come and hear stories from this important work and enjoy food and fellowship. Registration is \$30 per ticket, please register by Sep. 20 at www.daytoncityheart.org/event or speak to Ted Greenwood or Pastor Kent.

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CALL TO PRAYER HYMN

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Learning to Lean

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. Proverbs 3:5

Chorus

Learn - ing to lean, learn - ing to lean, I'm

learn - ing to lean on Je - sus.

Find - ing more pow - er than I've ev - er seen. I'm

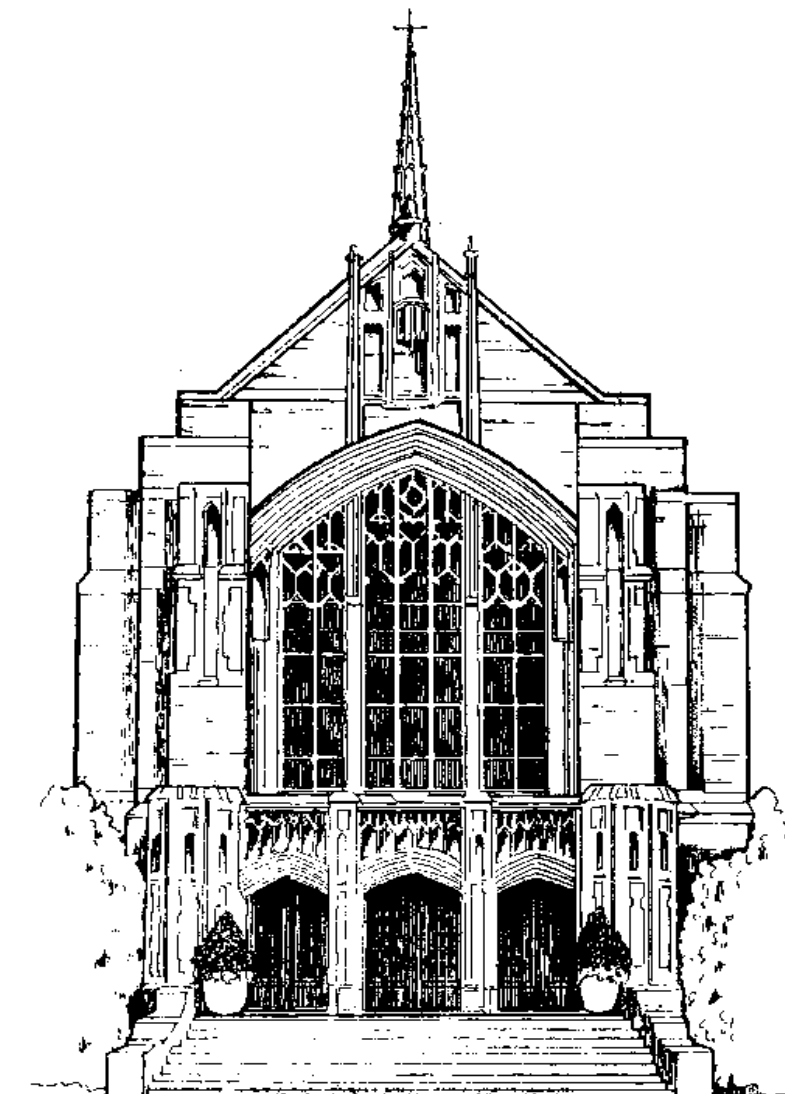
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Text: John Stallings, b.1938
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Our Mission Statement:

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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