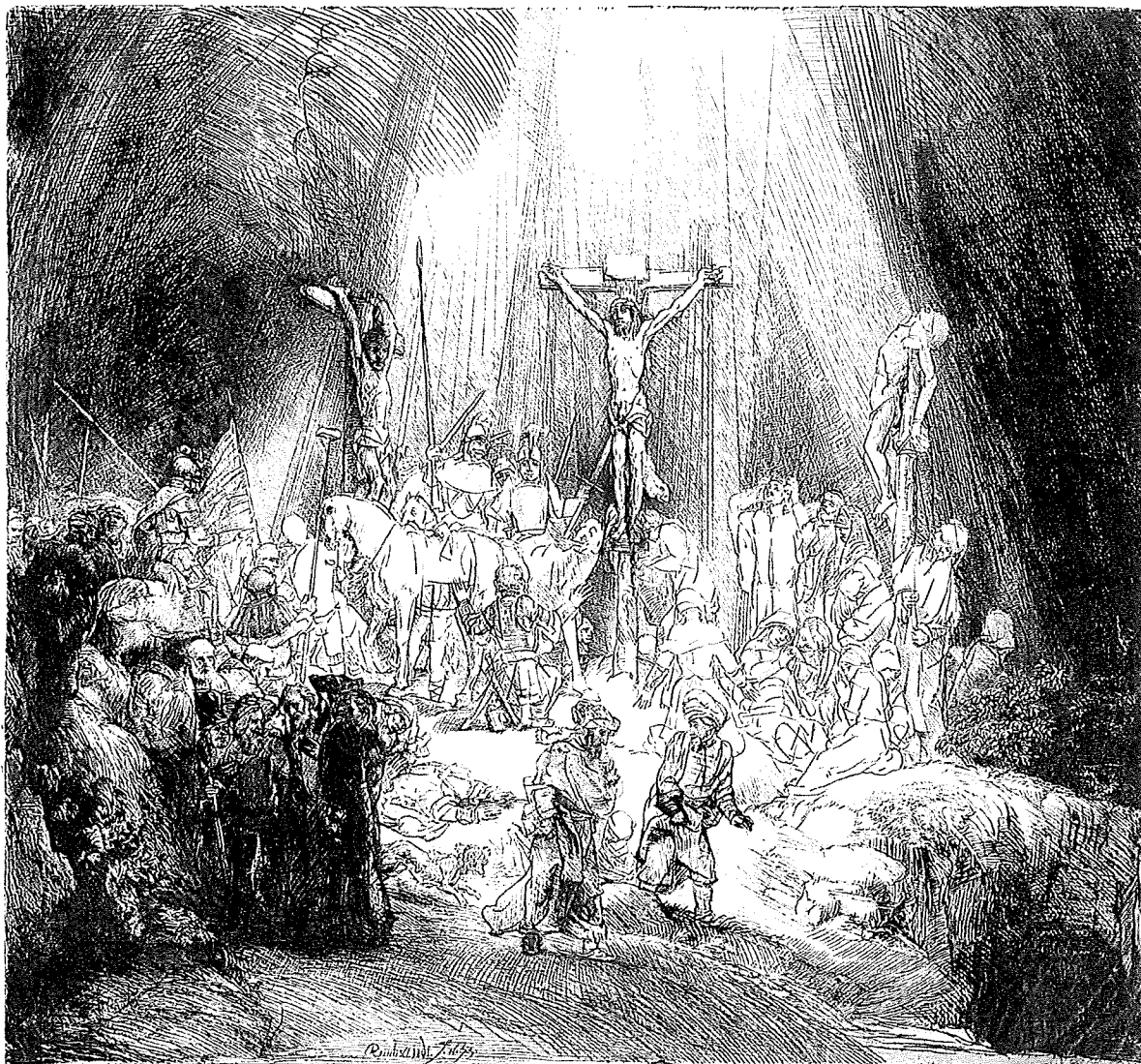


First Baptist Church of Dayton
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
COMMUNION SUNDAY
MARCH 3, 2024



Rembrandt's *The Three Crosses*, 1653.

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I Confess

by Howard Thurman

The concern which I lay bare before God today is.

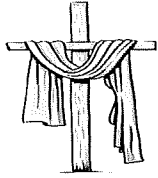
My concern for the life of the world in these troubled times.
I confess my own inner confusion as I look out upon the world.

There is food for all - many are hungry.
There are clothes enough for all - many are in rags.
There is room enough for all - many are crowded.
There are none who want war - preparations for conflict abound.

I confess my own share in the ills of the times.
I have shirked my own responsibilities as a citizen.
I have not been wise in casting my ballot.
I have left to others a real interest in making
a public opinion worthy of democracy.
I have been concerned about my own little job, my own little security,
my own shelter, my own bread.

I have not really cared about jobs for others,
security for others, shelter for others, bread for others.
I have not worked for peace; I want peace,
but I have voted and worked for war.
I have silenced my own voice that it may not
be heard on the side of any cause, however right,
if it meant running risks or damaging my own little reputation.

Let Thy light burn in me that I may, from this moment on,
take effective steps within my own powers,
to live up to the light and courageously to pay for
the kind of world I so deeply desire.



The First Baptist Church at Worship
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
March 3, 2024 ~10:00 AM



PRELUDE

R. Alan Kimbrough, Organist

Two Antiphons for "Ave Maris Stella":
"Jesus' Tender Mother, Make Thy Supplication" and
"So Now as We Journey, Aid Our Weak Endeavor"
--Marcel Dupré

Chorale Preludes on "Martyrdom" (Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed")
--C. Hubert H. Parry and Benjamin M. Culli

Chorale Prelude on "Rockingham" ("When I Survey")
--C. Hubert H. Parry

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

This Is the Day
Eugene Butler

*This is the day, this is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.
This is the day that the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

*OPENING HYMN (SEE PG. 7)

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation
REGENT SQUARE

When He is said to be a foundation, the meaning is, that on His account alone, we can hope for pardon and eternal life. And this will appear if we consider the dignity of His person, the depth of His humiliation, and the glorious testimony of God to the perfection of His work.

Listening for the Word of God

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON

Jerome Stueart

1 Corinthians 1:1-18: Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.)

For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

*GOSPEL LESSON

Rev. David Coggins

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Mark.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

Mark 11:15-19: Then they came to Jerusalem. And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who were selling and those who were buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves; and he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple. He was teaching and saying, "Is it not written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a den of robbers." And when the chief priests and the scribes heard it, they kept looking for a way to kill him; for they were afraid of him, because the whole crowd was spellbound by his teaching. And when evening came, Jesus and his disciples went out of the city.

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us.

People: Thanks be to God!

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#323 *How Great Thou Art*
HOW GREAT THOU ART

"Carl Boberg and some friends were returning home to Mönsterås from Kronobäck, where they had participated in an afternoon service. Presently a thundercloud appeared on the horizon, and soon lightning flashed across the sky. Strong winds swept over the meadows and billowing fields of grain. The thunder pealed in loud claps. Then rain came in cool fresh showers. In a little while the storm was over, and a rainbow appeared. When Boberg arrived home, he opened the window and saw the bay of Mönsterås like a mirror before him... From the woods on the other side of the bay, he heard the song of a thrush and the church bells were tolling in the quiet evening. It was this series of sights, sounds, and experiences that inspired the writing of the song."

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 (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

#234 *Spirit of the Living God*
IVERSON

**Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.
Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me.
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Coggins

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir
Dr. William Henry Caldwell, Music Director

Laudamus te from the Gloria Antonio Vivaldi
Duet by Samantha Leal and Cyerra Pemberton

Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te. *We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you.*

THE SERMON

Rev. Alspaugh

“Christ Crucified”

Holy Communion

INVITATION TO THE TABLE
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Coggins

SHARING OF THE BREAD (SEE PGS. 8-10)

Taste and See
MOORE

Soloist and Congregation

**Congregation: Taste and see, taste and see, the goodness of the Lord
O taste and see, taste and see, the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.**

SHARING OF THE CUP (SEE PGS. 8-10)

Taste and See
MOORE

**Congregation: Taste and see, taste and see, the goodness of the Lord
O taste and see, taste and see, the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.**

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING &
THE LORD’S PRAYER (Debts & Debtors)

**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.**

The Response of God’s People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#183 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*
RATHBUN

We tend to associate the cross with darkness, but this hymn is full of references to light. The cross, which has outlasted and outshone all civilizations, is the focal point of hope for all generations. As an extensive world traveler, the hymn author would probably have witnessed first-hand the ruins of many civilizations and cultures, prompting him to begin the hymn this way.

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Alspaugh

**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

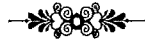
R. Alan Kimbrough

Organ Impression on "Blaenwern" ("Love Divine") Benjamin M. Culli

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

Please drop off 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 (<http://www.fbcd Dayton.org/>).

Week of Mar. 3 – 10

Sun. 3	10:00a	.....	Worship Service w/Communion
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
		.....	Sunday School Classes
	4:00p	.....	May Festival Youth Chorus
Wed. 6	6:00p	.....	Lenten Study @ Christ Episcopal
Thu. 7	7:00p	.....	Choir Rehearsal
Sun. 10	10:00a	.....	Worship Service
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
		.....	Sunday School Classes

May Festival Youth Chorus

Today, March 3 @ 4pm
First Baptist Church of Dayton



Later today at 4 p.m. First Baptist Church of Dayton will host the renowned May Festival Youth Chorus under the direction of Dr. Matthew Swanson, who is the newly appointed director of the world-renowned May Festival Chorus. The concert will feature various choral works of all periods and styles, vocal solos and arias, and a piece by contemporary African American composer Rollo Dilworth, along with a world premiere work entitled *What Do the Tress Know?* The concert is free and open to the public. Parking is also free. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Church Women United News

Emma Murray Prayer Breakfast: Tuesday, Mar. 12 at 9:30 a.m., Christ United Methodist Church, 3440 Shroyer Road, Kettering 45429. Cost is \$10 at time of reservation. Please give Linda Ginter-Brown your reservation.

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	Bill Harrell	Judy Smith
Elizabeth Ard	Lavanda Ferguson	Kaye Suryk
Glen Babb	Barbara Jett	Thorstenson Family
Jessica Blair	Ray Landis	Anne Veghte
Gail Bowman	Gene Lee	Harold West
Don Brown	Dana Liss	Dorothy Williams
Rob Brown	Vincent Liss	Sharon Wingham
Bogan/Bryant Families	Tom McKenzie	Military Duty:
Gerald Busch	Arthur Merkle	Sebastian Ewald
Pamela Cress	Mary Ann Paloncy	Sunny Ewald
Lynn Domesick	Susan Parent	Brittany Kalbfleisch
David Donovan	Riese Family	Kyle Kline
Earnest Family	Judy See	Andy Wilson

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

March Adult Sunday School Classes

Sundays @ 11:30am - 12:15pm

March 3: Dr. Michael Cox will conclude his class on
Early Christian Scriptural Interpretation: Seeing Christ in the Whole Bible

Sermon Talkback with Pastor Jason on his sermon entitled
"Christ Crucified"

March 10 & 17: Dr. Mark Ryan will lead a two-week study on *The Virtue of Art and the Christian Life*. This two-week Sunday School class explores a few ideas derived from his class on "Christian Ethics and Art" at UD. We will consider a few connections between the making of art and the Christian life.

Wednesday Evening Lenten Study

Christ Episcopal Church – Fellowship Hall

"Scripture's Spectrum: Queer, Trans, and Non-Binary Bible Readings"

Led by Dr. Esther Brownsmith

Wednesdays @ 6:00 – 7:30pm | March 6, 13, 20

(NOTE: A light meal will also be provided)

March Church Meetings

Board Meetings: Wednesday, March 13 @ 6:30pm

Executive Council Meeting: Wednesday, March 20 @ 6:30pm

Irish Dancers on March 17

Sunday, March 17 @ 11:15am in Fellowship Hall



Please join us for some St. Patrick's Day joy after church on March 17th! Along with refreshments we will have dancers from the "Celtic Academy of Irish Dance" share their talents and enjoyment of Irish dancing! We are blessed to have them join us! They will definitely bring happiness to your hearts.

AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING 2024 - GRACE upon GRACE

March Offering

“Because of God’s great love we are not consumed, for God’s compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.” ~ Lamentations 3:22-23 (NIV)

American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) is promoting the 2024 America for Christ Offering which seeks to raise \$1,500,000 to support American Baptist mission and ministries through our churches and community partners across the United States and Puerto Rico. Our gifts to this offering support regions, churches, and community organizations with grants for a variety of purposes, including: Chaplaincy and spiritual caregivers support; aid for children living in poverty; new, innovative ministries; developing church leaders; promoting discipleship. Please help us continue to bring healing and hope to communities, families, children and Jesus’ disciples in 2024 by supporting this year’s America for Christ Offering. Special offering envelopes are available in the pew racks.

Palm Sunday Luncheon

March 24 @ 11:15am

Sliders (including vegetarian) and drinks will be provided by the Deacon Board. You are asked to bring a side dish and/or dessert to share. Reservations appreciated by Monday, March 18.

Maundy Thursday

March 28 @ 6:30pm

Agape Meal at Christ Episcopal Church

Good Friday Walk for Justice & Peace

SOUP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

On March 29 there will be a Good Friday Walk for Justice & Peace through Downtown Dayton from 12-2pm. This is an ecumenical witness for justice and peace issues based on the Stations of the Cross. The walk begins at Courthouse Square (Third & Main) and ends at First Baptist Church. Rain or shine, come for all or part. **Following the walk at approximately 2pm, First Baptist will invite participants to enter the church and into Fellowship Hall where there will be soup and water prepared for them. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board and in fellowship hall asking for donations of soup (vegetarian options preferred) and/or help in other ways. Thank you!**

EASTER FLOWERS

Orders & Dedications

You are invited to share in the decoration of the sanctuary with spring flowers for Easter Sunday, March 31. A special insert on Easter Sunday will include names of donors and names of those in whose memory or honor a flower is given. A gift of \$20 is suggested. **Please turn in your order/dedication by Friday, March 22.** Checks should be made payable to First Baptist Church and please note ‘Easter Flowers’ on the memo line.

EASTER FLOWER ORDER / DEDICATION

(PLEASE PRINT)



Your Name(s): _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

_____ \$20 enclosed

_____ \$20 will be mailed by 3/22/24

OPENING HYMN

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation 417

REGENT SQUARE 8.7.8.7.8.7

7th century, Latin

Trans. John Mason Neale, 1851; alt. 1861, 1972

Henry Thomas Smart, 1867

1. Christ is made the sure foun-da - tion, Christ the head and
 2. To this tem - ple, where we call You, Come, O Lord of
 3. Here be - stow on all Your ser - vants What they ask of
 4. Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, Laud and hon - or

cor - ner - stone, Cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
 Hosts, to - day; With Your wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness
 You to gain, What they gain from You for - ev - er
 to the Son, Laud and hon - or to the Spir - it,

Bind - ing all the church in one; Ho - ly Zi - on's
 Hear Your peo - ple as they pray, And Your full - est
 With the bless - ed to re - tain, And here - af - ter
 Ev - er three and ev - er one; One in might and

help for - ev - er, And our con - fi - dence a - lone.
 ben - e - dic - tion Shed with - in its walls al - way.
 in Your glo - ry Ev - er - more with You to reign.
 one in glo - ry While un - end - ing a - ges run.

COMMUNION HYMN

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680 TASTE AND SEE

O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in Him.

Psalm 34:8

Refrain

Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the

Lord. O taste and see, taste and

see the good - ness of the Lord, of the

To verses *Last time*

Lord. Lord.

To verses *Last time*

Verses

1. I will bless the Lord at all times. To-
 2. Glo - ri - fy the Lord with me.
 3. Wor - ship the Lord, all you peo-ple.

Praise shall al - ways be on my lips; my
 geth - er let us all praise God's name. I
 You'll want for noth - ing if you ask. Y

PG. 3 OF 3

soul shall glo-ry in the Lord for
called the Lord who an - swered me; from
Taste and see that the Lord is good; in

God has been so good to me. D.C.
all my trou-bles I was set free.
God we need put all our trust. D.C.

Text: Psalm 34; James E. Moore, Jr., 1951
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