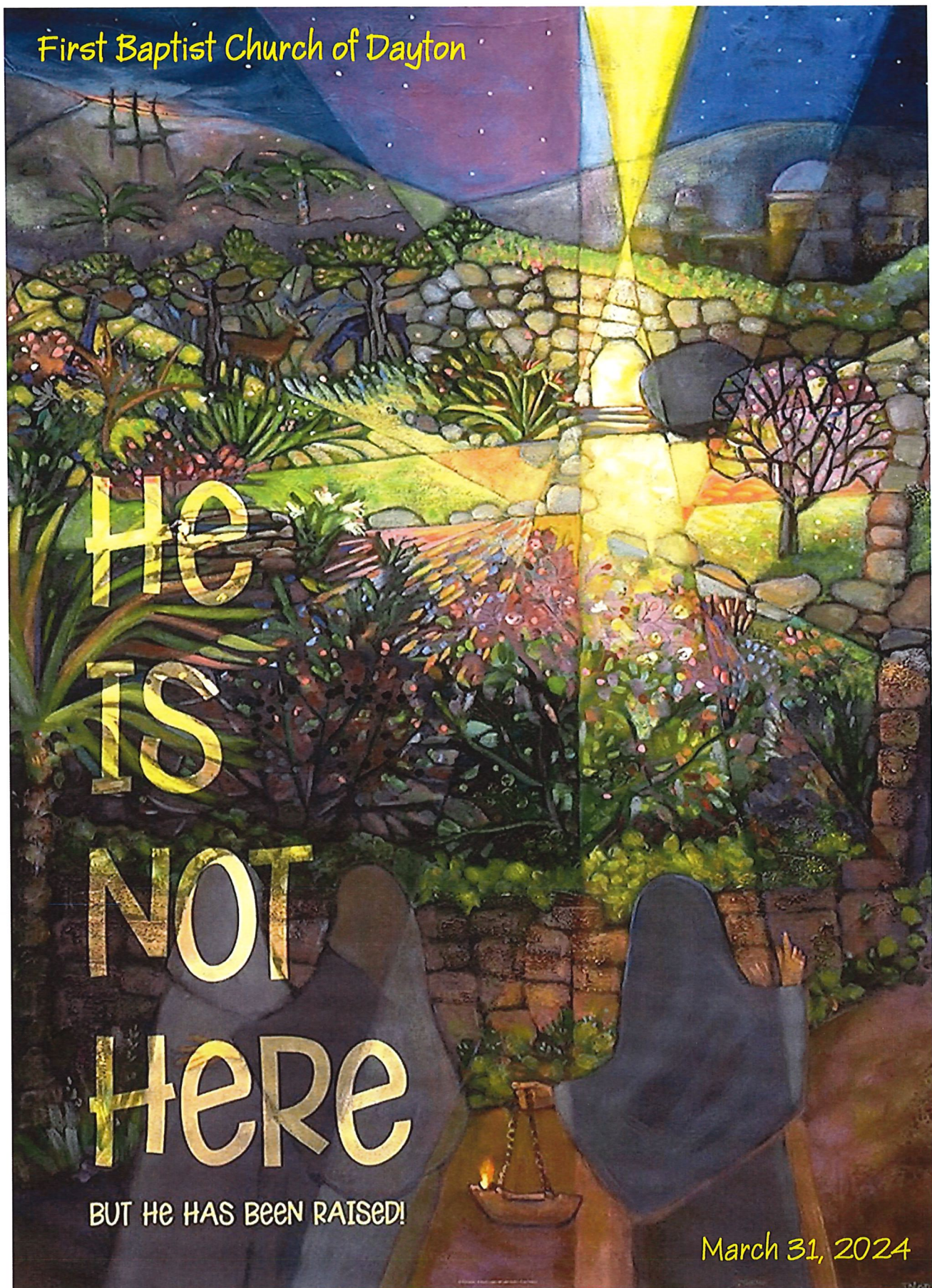


First Baptist Church of Dayton

HE
IS
NOT
HERE

BUT HE HAS BEEN RAISED!

March 31, 2024





The First Baptist Church at Worship
 EASTER SUNDAY
 March 31, 2024 ~ 10:00 AM



FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

As we gather for worship, before and during the Prelude, you are invited to place the flower(s) you have brought on the cross at the front of the sanctuary. Additional flowers are also available at the front for those wishing to participate. In this act of worship, a poignant symbol of new life coming forth from death emerges before our eyes as we declare that Christ has risen. Alleluia!

THE PRELUDE

Gregory Land, Organist
 R. Alan Kimbrough, Pianist

- Morning Has Broken "Bunessan"; Traditional Gaelic Melody
- In Joseph's Garden John M. Rasley
- When Morning Gilds the Skies "Laudes Domini"; setting by Hayes-Gaspard
- Triumphant Praise! setting by Jan Sanborn

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

Chancel Choir
 Dr. William Henry Caldwell, Director

I Will Call Upon the Lord Caldwell/Joubert

*I will call upon the Lord for He is worthy to be praised. So shall I be saved from my enemies.
 The Lord liveth and blessed be the Rock, and let the God of our Salvation be exalted.*

*WELCOME & RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (Isaiah 25:6-9)

Rev. David Coggins

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food,
a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
 And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.
 Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.
 It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#194 *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*
 EASTER HYMN

In every worship service the words we say and the actions we participate in are somehow shaping us. Perhaps without even being aware of it, worship is doing something to us—it's forming habits and language inside of us to both teach us why we are in relationship with God, and how to be in relationship with God. One practice that many liturgists and hymn authors have brought into worship is describing an event that happened in the past

(usually a moment from the Gospel story) as if it were happening today, in order to instill in us the understanding that, just as God worked in the lives of people two thousand years ago, He is still working today. The hymn *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* is a perfect example of this. Right in the title is an indicator of the present tense: the word “is.” As we sing this song, we are first brought back two millennia as “witnesses” of the resurrection, and then we are also made aware that though the actual event of the resurrection happened once, it is in a sense an on-going event with ever-present effects. We are called today to live out of the resurrection, to follow our risen Lord in newness of life, and to ever lift our “alleluias” in praise.

The Celebration of Holy Baptism

(Rev. Jason Alspaugh and Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis)

Benjamin Ryan

Faith Partner: Jaimee Ryan

Abby Cox

Faith Partners: Michael & Jeannette Cox

Abigail Owens

Faith Partner: Nathan Owens

Reagan Crowley

Faith Partner: Emily Crowley

James Cutlip

Faith Partner: Jerome Stueart

PASTORAL RESPONSE (Romans 6:4)

Rev. Coggins

“Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.”

Listening for the Word of God

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Rev. Coggins

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

*GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:1-18

Ginger Tiffner

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to John.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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

#223 *Crown Him with Many Crowns*
DIADEMATA

First Baptist Church of Dayton is a place where *people wear many hats*. For instance, choir members also serve as carpenters and caterers, preachers serve as gardeners and sound technicians, and financial secretaries also serve as chefs. Oh, preachers also serve as softball coaches. One of the most effective and simple costume changes is to put on a hat. *A person of many hats* is someone who can be a different person in different contexts or crowds. This hymn declares that we are to crown our Lord with many crowns, but this does not mean that Jesus is a *man of many hats*. Christ was not simply a prophet, He was not simply the carpenter's son, and He was not simply human, nor simply divine. Rather, this call to *crown him with many crowns* is a simple and yet profound declaration that Christ is many things, and everything. He is Lord of all, to be crowned for many things that all add up to Him being Savior of the world. Each crown represents a different aspect of who Christ is— Lord of life, Lord of love, Lord of years, Lord of heaven, the Lamb upon the throne. Christ is King, Servant, Lamb, Shepherd, and we celebrate this all-encompassing, paradoxical nature of our Savior by crowning Him the Lord of all. Christ is our all and all.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

(Children are invited to come forward for the message during the last verse of the Fellowship Hymn.
Children will return to sit with their families for the remainder of the service.)

CALL TO PRAYER (SEE PG. 9)

Oh, the Glory of Your Presence
Steve Fry

**Oh the glory of Your presence; we, your temple give Your reverence.
Come and rise to Your rest, and be blest by our praise as we glory in Your embrace,
as Your presence now fills this place.**

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

Rev. Coggins

**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.**

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir
Dr. William Henry Caldwell, Director

The Day of Resurrection Mary McDonald

*The stone is rolled away this resurrection day, give glory to the King. Rejoice O victory!
God's Son has set us free; give glory to the King! He conquered death and sin, and rose to live again forever;
He will reign. And evermore shall be a song of victory for Christ has come to reign. From darkness into light,
God's love has pierced the night, His glory now we sing. Let every heart and voice sing praise to God; rejoice!
For Jesus Christ is King! The day of resurrection earth, tell it out abroad; the Passover of gladness, the Passover of
God. From death to life, eternal from sins, dominion free, our Christ has brought us over the hymns of victory.
Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth her song begin! The world resound in triumph, and all that is there in.
Let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend; for Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end.
To Him our praises sing, hail to the king of Kings. He came to set us free, rejoice O victory. Alleluia.*

THE SERMON

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

"The Message We Carry"

The Response of God's People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#207 *Low In the Grave He Lay*
CHRIST AROSE

Robert Lowry, the Philadelphia-born author and composer of this hymn, was a popular Baptist preacher and educator who served churches in Pennsylvania, New York City and Plainfield, N.J. *Low in the Grave He Lay*, called *Christ Arose* in many hymnals was composed in 1874 while Lowry was the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lewisburg, Pa. It first appeared in the collection *Brightest and Best* under the title *He is not here, but risen—Luke 24:5*. When it was included in music evangelist Ira D. Sankey's *Sacred Songs and Solos*, the song became very popular in the Moody-Sankey revivals. From that point it appeared in a number of 19th-century British and American hymnals.

AFFIRMATIONS OF FAITH

Rev. Alspaugh

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

We rejoice in God's empowering love, freely given to each and all. We welcome you, newly baptized and those who have affirmed their faith, 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.

The Right Hand of Fellowship

Today we extend the Right Hand of Fellowship to:

Abby Cox
Reagan Crowley
James Cutlip

Abigail Owens

Benjamin Ryan

They join the church by Baptism.

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Deborah Harshman

Deborah joins by Statement of Faith.

Her faith partner is Ginger Tiffner.

Meredith Ryan

Meredith joins by Statement of Faith.

Her faith partner is Michelle Smith.

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.

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

*BENEDICTION

Congregation & Choir

The Hallelujah Chorus from *Messiah*
George Frederick Handel

**Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.
And He shall reign forever and ever. King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Hallelujah!**

(* 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!



HAPPY EASTER !

Welcome Guest Musicians!

Let us welcome our brass ensemble and timpanist this morning as we celebrate our Easter. Our players were selected by Mr. Eric Knorr who is on the music faculty at the University of Dayton and serves as librarian for the Dayton Philharmonic when he is not playing with the Dayton Wind Ensemble and Wright-Patt.

Guest Musicians

Skyler Greggerson, Trumpet
Atticus Curry, Trumpet
Gary Weil, Tuba
Jon Newlie, Timpani



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

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Congratulations!

Scarlett Kennedy Downey Kalbfleisch was born on March 17, 2024 weighing 7lbs and 20 inches long. She is the daughter of Brittany and Caleb Downey Kalbfleisch, and the little sister of Elias Downey Kalbfleisch. Congratulations to the family, especially the beaming grandparents Mike & Dawn Kalbfleisch! 😊

Week of March 31 – April 7

Sun. 31	10:00a	.....	Easter Sunday Service
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
Thu. 4	7:00p	.....	Choir Rehearsal
Sat. 6	10:30a	.....	Garden Planting @ FBC
Sun. 7	10:00a	.....	Worship Service with Communion
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	.....	Sunday School Classes/Activities

Celebration of Life for Mary K. Lee Saturday, May 25 at Englewood MetroPark

*** Please RSVP the number of guests in your party by April 7 to Mike Lee at ***
Mike.Kaylin.2016@gmail.com

Join Gene and the Lee Family in a celebration of life! Let's share our favorite memories of Mary K. as we take in the beautiful view of one of her favorite Englewood, OH spots—Englewood MetroPark next to Aullwood Garden.

Saturday, May 25, 2024 @ 12pm – 3pm
Englewood MetroPark: East Park
Shelter Name: Patty
4361 W National Rd, Vandalia OH 45377
Food and refreshments will be served.
Dress code: Casual

Last Call for the America for Christ Offering

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. Special offering envelopes are available in the pew racks.

First Baptist Church of Dayton Bicentennial Keepsake

The First Baptist Church of Dayton's Bicentennial is on our minds and hearts this year. We have a special keepsake to commemorate this historic event! It is a beautiful wooden replica of our church (5"3/8" high x 7 1/2" wide). **We will be selling and taking orders April 7 to 21.** A sign-up sheet will be in the Fellowship Hall where you may sign up for how many keepsakes you would like to purchase. The price will be \$10 each and may be picked up after payment. We are blessed and honored to follow those who have led the way in the Dayton community for 200 years. May we be a blessing to those in the future of First Baptist Church of Dayton.

ECLIPSE WATCH PARTY

Hosted by FBC & CEC
Monday, April 8th @ 1-4pm

First Baptist Church Parking Lot - 111 W. Monument Ave.

Our friends at Christ Episcopal had the wonderful idea for our churches to share the solar eclipse experience together on April 8th by hosting a watch party here on our church grounds. We will designate space in our parking lot near the river for folks to set up chair and blankets. And we'll offer some hot dogs, beverages, and general hospitality. We'll also have a limited number of eclipse watch glasses on-hand. This is an informal event, open to the community. We hope you will join us, and that the sky will be good and clear!

FBC Garden Planting

Saturday, April 6 @ 10:30am

It is time to plant the FBC Love Your Neighbor Garden. We will begin our gardening year on Saturday, April 6, at 10:30 a.m. as we gather to plant onions, garlic and potatoes. Bring your garden gloves and a hand spade and join us on spring planting day!

Adult Sunday School Classes – April 2024

“Those Who Witness and Testify: Character Studies in John’s Gospel”

Led by The Rev. Kate Bradley

April 7 – 28 @ 11:30am-12:15pm in 1st Floor Chapel

The Fourth Gospel offers a vivid narrative aimed at instilling belief in Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God, and guiding readers toward life in His name (John 20:31). By closely examining John's character portrayals—such as John “the Baptist,” Nicodemus, Peter, and Mary Magdalene—we gain deeper insight into the core themes and teachings John emphasizes about Jesus and the Christian journey. In this study, Kate Bradley will introduce us to these people *as John writes about them*. Following that, we'll engage in a close reading of a Scripture passage, which will serve as a springboard for personal discussions.

Sermon Talkback

With The Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

April 7 @ 11:30am-12:15pm in 1st Floor Choir Room

We continue to offer sermon talkbacks on the first Sunday of each month in the Choir Room. We hope you'll join us and share the questions, insights, challenges, etc. from your hearing of the morning's sermon.

BYF Gatherings in April 2024

Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join our Baptist Youth Fellowship (BYF) gatherings, where we share in food, fellowship, reflection and fun times. Here are our upcoming gatherings in the month of April:

BYF / Baptism Class Outing

Sunday, April 14 @ 12:15-3:00pm

BYF Gathering & Paint Party @ FBC

Sunday, April 28 @ 12:15-2:30pm

Also, we would like to be sure to have updated information for our youth participants, and ask that parents turn in a completed and signed BYF Medical-Transportation Form for each youth to Pastor Jason (jalspaugh@fbcd Dayton.org / 937-631-3579). Print copies are available outside the church office. Friends are always welcome, but we ask that they also turn in a BYF Form.

News from the Heritage Committee

Donna Miles Curry

Hopefully you will soon see some of the church history displays being hung on the walls in the fellowship hall. So far, we have worked on some related to church members and Christian Education. **On April 1st we will work on one for Church Events (weddings, baptisms, baby dedications, etc.) and would love any contributions.** We would need photos or digitized photos (must be high resolution, i.e. at least 300 dpi). If you can leave them in the church office for me or email me by Easter, it would be appreciated (donna.curry@wright.edu). The last theme we will be working on later in April will be displays on Music at First Baptist.

Another reminder to stay in town Memorial Day weekend (May 26) so you can join us for our Bicentennial Celebration on Founders Day—service, group pictures, and banquet! More details to follow.

CALL TO PRAYER

OH, THE GLORY OF YOUR PRESENCE 168

*...the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud; for the glory of the LORD filled the house of God.
2 Chronicles 5:14*

Oh, the glo - ry of Your pres - ence;

we, Your tem - ple give You rev - 'rence.

Come and rise to Your rest, and be blest by our

praise as we glo - ry in Your em - brace,

as Your pres - ence now fills this place.

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Tune: Steve Fry, b.1954
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Easter Flower Dedications

*Thank you to those who contributed to our beautiful array of Easter flowers this year!
You may take a flower home with you after service today.*

Daryl & Barbara Bogan

*In loving memory of our parents
and brother*

*In honor of our daughters,
sons-in-law, and grandchildren*

Marcie Bogan

*In memory of Don Bryant, Mabel Bryant,
Leota & Raymond Bogan,
and Marjorie Rider*

Don & Linda Ginter-Brown

*In memory of
The Ginter, Brown, and Begley Families
Rev. Jim Earnest
Mildred Schell*

Bob & Donna Miles Curry

*In honor of our son Michael Curry
and all teachers*

Kay Denny

*In memory of Ron Denny and
Warren & Judy Williams*

Ted & Gina Greenwood

*In honor of our Pastors serving us with
their lives day by day.*

Susan Harker

*In memory of my parents
Marian & Mason Bagwell for whom the
music ministry meant so much.*

Mary Herbert

*In memory of Logan & Ruth Herbert,
John Herbert, and George Herbert*

Bob & Nancy Kerr

*In memory of our parents
Ruth & Leon Arrasmith and
Ellen & Bob Kerr*

R. Alan Kimbrough

In honor of Carolyn, Claudia, and Jady

Tom Lasley & Carole Fallang

In memory of our loving parents

Mary Malone

*In memory of Claude D. Malone, Jr.
In honor of Tami Charles*

Arthur Merkle and Greg Merkle

*In memory of Catherine Merkle
In honor of family and friends,
the FBC congregation and staff*

Shirley A. Nash

In memory of John D. Nash

Barry Schlaile

In honor of family and friends

Roger & Joanne Stephens

*In memory of our parents
Ian & Harriet Stephens
Dr. Arthur & Marian Benedict*

Pete & Linda Thomson

*Blessings and love to our families:
Harold West, Matt, DeAnn, Aidan, Lucas,
Nathan, Kimberly, Sydney, Abigail,
Shannon, Kyle, Colin and Alina,
church families and world families.*

*In memory of Janet West, and
Peter & Ethleon Thomson*

Bill & Sue Wilson

*In memory of our parents and grandparents
In honor of our children and grandchildren*

