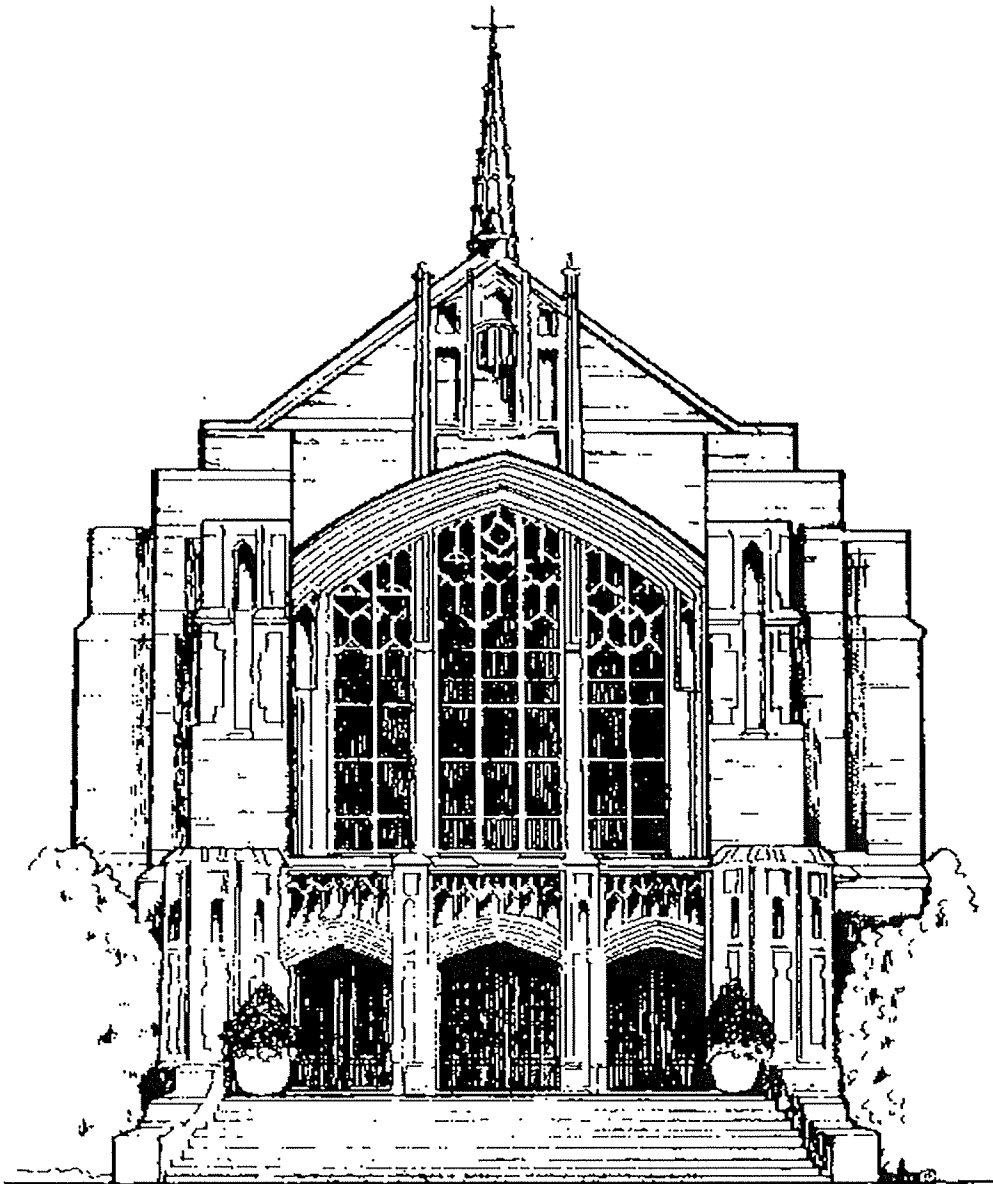


First Baptist Church of Dayton
A WELCOMING & AFFIRMING CONGREGATION

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 18, 2024



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The First Baptist Church at Worship
 13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
 August 18, 2024 ~ 10:00 AM



THE PRELUDE

Gregory Land, Organist

Medley of American Hymn Tunes Traditional

Matthew Swanson and Jason Holmes

I Vow to Thee, My Country Gustav Holst

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.

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT (Sing 3 times)

"Take, O Take Me As I Am"
 TAKE, O TAKE

Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall

be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

WORDS: John L. Bell
 MUSIC: John L. Bell

TAKE, O TAKE
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WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

*OPENING HYMN (See pg. 7)

Gather Us In
 Marty Haugen

Marty Haugen, who is the author of this morning's opening hymn, describes his inspiration for this hymn as follows: "'Gather Us In' was written after I first heard the wonderful former Jesuit Dutch theologian and poet Huub Oosterhuis text 'What Is This Place?' I wanted to craft something that might say a similar message to North American ears. I deliberately wrote it in second person to avoid gender issues and to more directly sing 'to' God rather than 'about' God. Ironically, that has been at times a problem for some, who would like God more carefully circumscribed and named."

Listening for the Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*Unison*)

Mary Anne Chadbourne, Leader

Loving God, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Proverbs 9:1-6

Mary Anne Chadbourne

Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her animals; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table. She has sent out her female servants; she calls from the highest places in the town, "You who are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity and live, and walk in the way of insight."

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

People: Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 5:15-20

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to one another, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

*GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 7:24-29

Benjamin Ryan

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Matthew.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!

"Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!" Now when Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

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

#71 *Be Thou My Vision*
SLANE

According to mythology, when St. Patrick was a missionary in Ireland in the 5th century, King Logaire of Tara decreed that no one was allowed to light any fires until a pagan festival was begun by the lighting of a fire on Slane Hill. In a move of defiance against this pagan ritual, St. Patrick did light a fire, and, rather than execute him, the king was so impressed by his devotion that he let Patrick continue his missionary work. Three centuries later, a monk named Dallan Forgaill wrote the Irish poem, "Rop tú mo Baile" ("Be Thou my Vision), to remember and honor the faith of St. Patrick. Forgaill was martyred by pirates, but his poetry lived on as a part of the Irish monastic tradition for centuries until, in the early 20th century, Mary Elizabeth Byrne translated the poem into English, and in 1912, Eleanor Hull versified the text into what is now a well-loved hymn and prayer that at every moment of our lives, God would be our vision above all else.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Rev. David 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

#404 v.1 *I Need Thee Every Hour*
NEED

**I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
no tender voice like Thine can peace afford.
I need Thee, O I need Thee; every hour I need Thee!
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.**

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

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

**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.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Jason Holmes and Matthew Swanson

Let Us Break Bread Together Traditional

THE SERMON

Rev. Alspaugh

“Church in Progress”

The Response of God’s People

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#473 *Will You Come and Follow Me*
KELVINGROVE

"Will You Come & Follow Me", also known as "The Summons", was written by John Lamberton Bell, a Church of Scotland minister and hymn writer, associated with the Iona Community in Scotland. The tune is 'Kelvinggrove', a traditional Scottish melody.

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Rev. Alspaugh

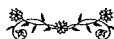
*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION

#520 v.1 *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*
AZMON

**The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.**

POSTLUDE

Keyboard Improvisation by Jason Holmes

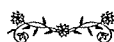


(*) You're invited to rise in body or in spirit!

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

Thank you!

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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/>).

Welcome to Our Guest Musicians!

This morning we welcome to our worship service the dynamic duo from Cincinnati, Matthew Swanson and Jason Holmes. They have both been featured as soloists during our worship services here at First Baptist. Jason has also participated in our First Baptist Sings concerts. Matthew conducted the May Festival Youth Chorus in our sanctuary as part of their tour last year, and he was also a special soloist for the morning service. We welcome these gentlemen as they are the newly appointed leaders of the internationally acclaimed Cincinnati May Festival Organization where Matthew is the newly appointed interim director and conductor of the May Festival Chorus, and Jason is the associate conductor and the newly appointed conductor of the May Festival Youth Chorus. Let us welcome them and what they bring to our service as we continue with our worship.

Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, Aug. 21 @ 6:30pm

Adult Sunday School Topics

If you have any suggestions for topics for the Adult Sunday School classes, we'd love to hear from you! Please jot them down on a yellow card this morning, or contact Christian Ed Chair, Janet Landis, at 937-901-6871.

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.)

Babb Family	Barbara Jett	Kaye Suryk
Clara Black	Karen Johnson	Thomson Family
Jessica Blair	Kalbfleisch Family	Lee Tyson
Gail Bowman	Landis Family	Anne Veghte
Don Brown	Gene Lee	Harold West
Jessica Brown	Vincent Liss	Cynthia Whittaker
Linda Ginter-Brown	Tom McKenzie	Dorothy Williams
Gerald Busch	Merkle Family	Sue Wilson
Caldwell Family	Mary Ann Paloncy	Sharon Wingham
Pamela Cress	Susan Parent	Military Duty:
David Donovan	Jamie See	Sebastian Ewald
Kerby Downs	Judy See	Sunny Ewald
Bill Harrell	Debbie Smith	Brittany Kalbfleisch
Debbie Harshman	Jackson Smith	Kyle Kline
Lavanda Ferguson	Anito Suro	Andy Wilson

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Memorial Service for Doris Landis

Saturday, August 24, 2024
Newcomer Funeral Home (4104 Needmore Rd, Dayton 45424)
Visitation from 10-11am
Memorial Service at 11am
Pastor David Coggins officiating

Church Women United Board Meeting – Aug. 27

Ladies of First Baptist! Our August Board Meeting will take place Tuesday, August 27 here at First Baptist beginning at 1pm in Fellowship Hall.

Chancel Choir Dinner and Rehearsal – Sept. 5

We are all looking forward to another wonderful season at First Baptist so please mark your calendars for Thursday, September 5 at 6:00 pm for our annual dinner in the Fellowship Hall with rehearsal at 7 pm. As always it will be a wonderful experience for everyone. Bring a favorite recipe to share if you are able. Please invite or recruit a friend that enjoys singing and good fellowship to come with you and join the choir!

Homecoming Sunday – Sept. 8

As the summer season starts to wind down, and students and teachers return to schools, we look forward to welcoming each other back from various travels and times away. And we mark the beginning of a new season of learning as we resume our full schedule of Sunday school offerings and other weekday opportunities. We also keep in mind that the idea of homecoming applies to all those who may yet join with us and find a spiritual home with First Baptist. So continue to keep an eye out for those who are new to our gathering, and help them to feel welcome!

El Salvador Mission Partnership: Return Trip 2024-25

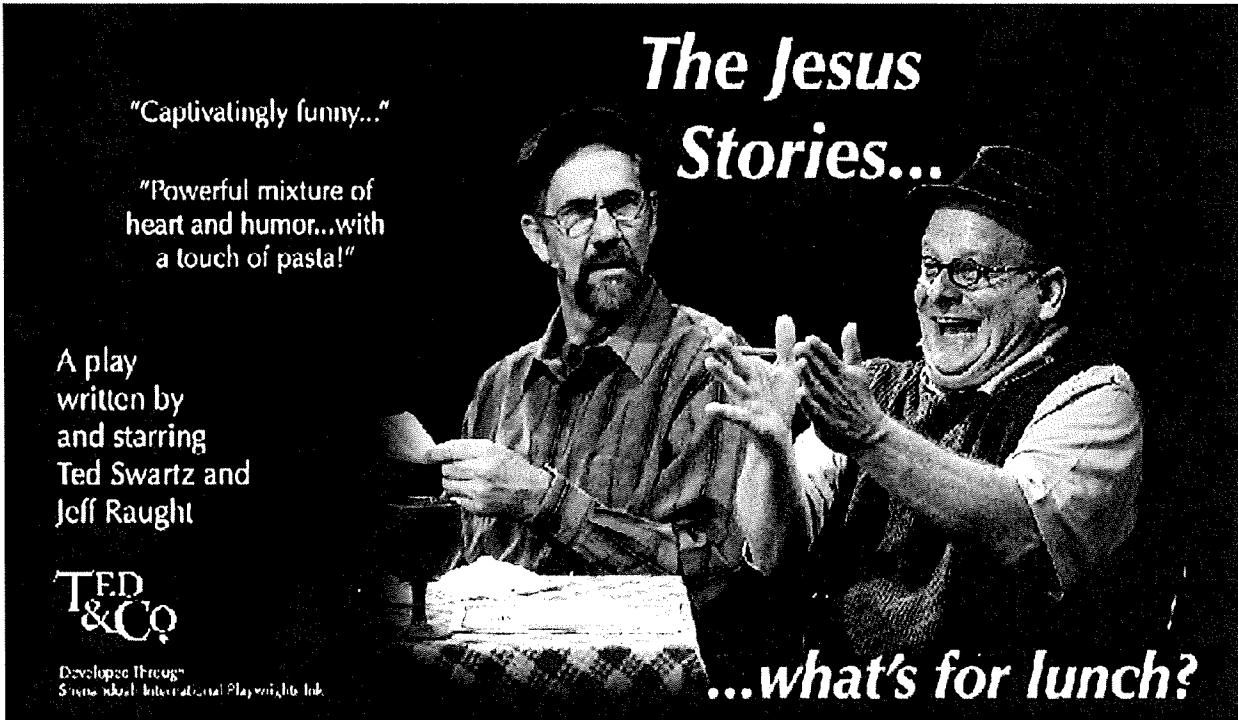
Let us know by Sept. 1st

Since 2010 we have enjoyed a mission partnership with First Baptist Church and St. John Missionary Baptist Church in Springfield and Iglesia Baustista Dios Compasivo in Ahuachapan, El Salvador. And as part of maintaining that partnership we have periodically had a group travel to Ahuachapan and surrounding areas to nurture relationships and see firsthand the good work the folks there are doing. We had a trip planned for the Spring of 2020, but the pandemic forced us to cancel. We have continued to provide financial support for the work in Ahuachapan, but have yet to return in-person. However, we are now sensing the ability and opportunity to once again make group trips possible, beginning with a trip at the end of this year.

Some of the more experienced folks who have traveled in the past, including Diane Ashman, have met to discuss a trip that would take place just after Christmas, December 2024 and run through about January 5, 2025. This trip will in some ways feel like a restart, since we have not been there for several years now, and a good part of the work will involve getting reacquainted and discussing new ministry projects. **For now, we need to know who in our congregations would like to commit to going on this 2024-2025 trip. And we would like to know by September 1, 2024. If you are interested and would like to know more, please speak with me/Pastor Jason**

A LOOK AHEAD...

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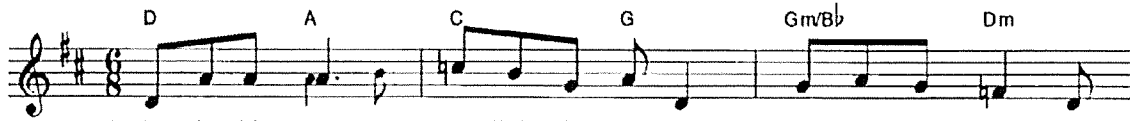
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th @ 10:00am
(Come early for the Prelude at 9:45am)

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OPENING HYMN

Gather us in

Marty Haugen



1. Here in this place new light is stream-ing, Now is the dark - ness
 2. We are the young-our lives are a mys-t'ry, We are the old- who
 3. Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, Here we will take the
 4. Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, Not in some heav - en,



van-ished a - way, See in this space our fears and our dream-ings,
 yearn for your face, We have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, Here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
 light-years a - way, But here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



Brought here to you in the light of this day. _____
 Called to be light to the whole hu - man race. _____
 Call us a - new to be salt for the earth. _____
 Now is the King-dom, now is the day. _____



Gath-er us in- the lost and for - sak - en, Gath-er us in- the
 Gath-er us in- the rich and the haugh-ty, Gath-er us in- the
 Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, Give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for ev - er, Gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; Give us a heart so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; Nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; Gath-er us in- all peo - ples to - geth - er,



We shall a - rise at the sound of our name. _____
 Give us the cour-age to en - ter the song. _____
 Lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true. _____
 Fire of love in our flesh and our bone. _____

Send



A hymnbook hunt

Find a song of thanks. It might be something you sing at the end of each communion service or it may be a favorite hymn or song. Put its page number here: _____



Look for the Psalms in your hymnbook or a Bible. Find a psalm that has your age in its chapter number. What page is it on? _____ Have someone read some of the psalm verses to you. Look for today's chapter, Psalm 34.

Choose a favorite song that is sung today in worship.

What makes it a favorite one for you?



Dear Lord, give us wisdom and courage for each day. We will praise you always. Amen

this week

Choose a song to sing before or after family meals this week or create a new mealtime prayer calling Jesus the "Bread of Life."

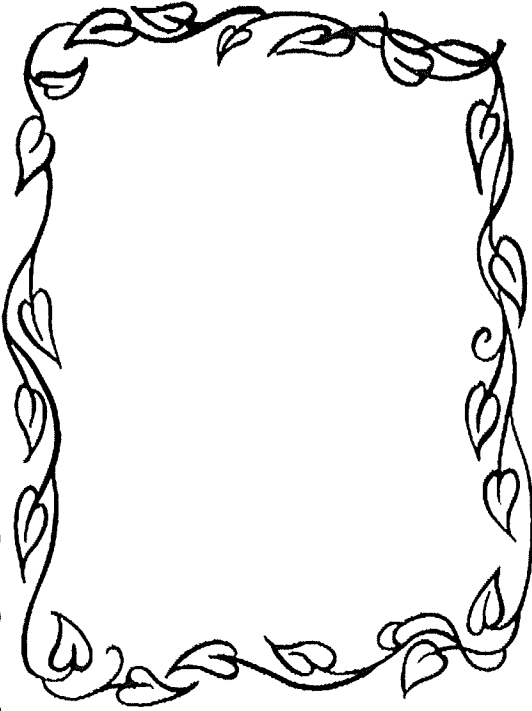
Kids Celebrate

Proper 15

gather

Welcome to worship. We have been living in the season after Pentecost for many weeks. Today's church name is Proper _____. (Look at the top of this bulletin.) We have been living in the season of summer many weeks. Today's date is _____. This season is a time to grow in knowing about God and a time to grow closer to God through prayers, songs, and reading the Bible. We grow just like plants grow in the summer.

Draw a picture of yourself, then draw a picture of a growing thing.



hear & celebrate

Words of wisdom

Psalms 34:9-14

The Bible is filled with stories and wise thoughts. Some things are hard to understand. "Fear the Lord" doesn't mean "be afraid of God." It means we follow and respect an awesome, powerful, and loving God.

Make sense out of these confusing words to find today's Psalm verse. Cross out the letters that spell the pictured items. Print the rest of the letters in order on the line beside each picture to find the verse. One has been done for you.

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Those

(Psalm 34:10b)



Talk together about confusing words or Bible verses that don't make sense to you.