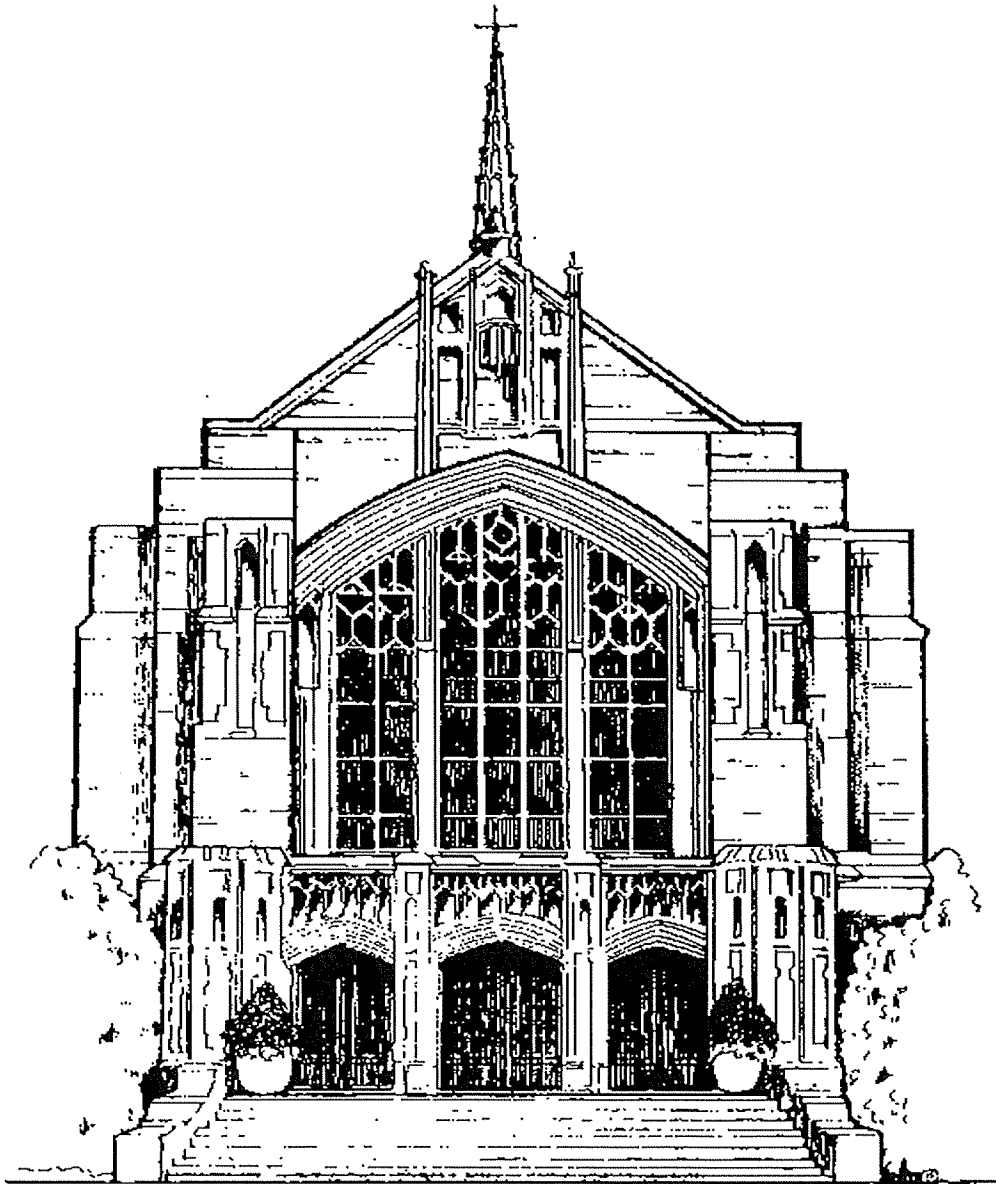


First Baptist Church of Dayton  
A WELCOMING & AFFIRMING CONGREGATION

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
September 22, 2024



*200th Year Anniversary ~ 1824-2024*

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The First Baptist Church at Worship  
18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
September 22, 2024 ~ 10:00 AM



THE PRELUDE

Gregory Land, Organist

Three Hymn Tunes from the British Isles ..... Ronald R. Williams

I. Prelude On An Irish Hymn  
"Slane"

II. Offertory On An English Hymn  
"Forest Green"

III. Postlude On A Welsh Hymn  
"St. Denio"

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, Conductor

Now God Be Praised in Heav'n Above ..... Melchior Vulpis

*Now God be praised in heav'n above, praised be He for His great love,  
wherein all creatures live and more, Hallelujah.*

WELCOME & RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 1)

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked or take the path that sinners tread or sit in the seat of scoffers,

**but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

**The wicked are not so but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous,

**for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

\*OPENING HYMN

#550 *We're Marching to Zion*  
MARCHING TO ZION

This hymn is an ole favorite in many churches throughout the United States. The hymn writer Isaac Watts composed it during a period in the history of the church when many people would walk out and leave the church during the singing of the hymns. This hymn protested the action of congregants leaving the church during the singing of the hymns.

## Listening for the Word of God

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON: James 3:13-18

Rev. Mark Craig

Who is wise and understandable among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be arrogant and lie about the truth. This is not wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

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

**People: Thanks be to God!**

\*GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 9:30-37

Abby Cox

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Mark.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ!**

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it, for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them, and taking it in his arms he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

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

#603 *Jesus Loves Me*  
CHINA

This hymn, which is considered the national anthem of children sacred songs, first appeared in *Golden Shower of Sunday School Melodies*, edited by Northeastern Baptist church musician William Bradbury. Reynolds claims that the tune name CHINA was the result of reports by missionaries who claimed over time that this was a favorite tune by Chinese children.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Jason 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.)

**Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, That calls me from a world of care  
and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known!  
In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief,  
And oft escaped the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer.**

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

Rev. David 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

Just a Little Talk With Jesus ..... arr. James Arthur Williams

*I once was lost in sin but Jesus took me in  
And then a little light from heaven fill my soul  
He bathed my heart in love and He wrote my name above  
And just a little talk with Jesus makes me whole  
Now let us have a little talk with Jesus  
Let us tell Him all about our troubles  
He will hear our faintest cry  
And He will answer by and by  
And when you feel a little prayer wheel turnin'  
And you will know a little fire is burnin'  
Find a little talk with Jesus makes it right  
I may have doubts and fears  
My eyes be filled with tears  
But Jesus is a friend who watches day and night  
I go to him in prayer  
He knows my every care  
And just a little talk with Jesus makes it right  
Now let us have a little talk with Jesus  
Let us tell Him all about our troubles  
He will hear our faintest cry  
And He will answer by and by  
And when you feel a little prayer wheel turnin'  
And you will know a little fire is burnin'  
You will find a little talk with Jesus makes it right  
Now let us have a little talk with Jesus  
Let us tell Him all about our troubles  
He will hear our faintest cry  
And He will answer by and by  
And when you feel a little prayer wheel turnin'  
And you will know a little fire is burnin'  
You will find a little talk with Jesus makes it right  
Right, right, right*

*“Welcoming Jesus In a Child”*

The Response of God’s People

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#636 *Children of God*  
CHILDREN OF GOD

This hymn is based on 1 John 3:1-2 where the Apostle John reflects upon the amazing, undeserved blessings believers have as the children of God. Christ is the only naturally begotten Son of God. We are children by adoption.

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Amen*  
Danish

*Amen, Amen, Amen.*

POSTLUDE

Gregory Land

Tocatta on “Amazing Grace” ..... J. Christopher Pardini



(\*) 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.fbcd Dayton.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.)*

Babb Family	Lavanda Ferguson	Kaye Suryk
Clara Black	Parris Hobbs	Thomson Family
Jessica Blair	Barbara Jett	Lee Tyson
Gail Bowman	Kalbfleisch Family	Anne Veghte
Don Brown	Landis Family	Harold West
Jessica Brown	Gene Lee	Cynthia Whittaker
Linda Ginter-Brown	Vincent Liss	Dorothy Williams
Gerald Busch	Tom McKenzie	Sharon Wingham
Caldwell Family	Merkle Family	<b><i>Military Duty:</i></b>
Pamela Cress	Mary Ann Paloncy	Sebastian Ewald
Donovan-Schlaile Family	Susan Parent	Sunny Ewald
Kerby Downs	Jamie See	Brittany Kalbfleisch
Bill Harrell	Judy See	Kyle Kline
Debbie Harshman	Anita Suro	Andy Wilson
Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)		

## Week of Sept. 22 – 29

Sun. 22	10:00a .....	Worship Service
	11:15a .....	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a .....	Sunday School Classes/Activities
Mon. 23	6-9p .....	Theater Group Rehearsal
Tue. 24	1:00p .....	CWU Meeting
	7-10p .....	DP Chorus Rehearsal
Wed. 25	2:00p .....	Bible Study
	6-9p .....	Theater Group Rehearsal
Thu. 26	6-9p .....	Theater Group Rehearsal
	6:30p .....	PDI Meeting
	7:00p .....	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sat. 28	11-2 .....	Theater Group Rehearsal
Sun. 29	10:00a .....	Worship Service
	11:15a .....	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a .....	Sunday School Classes/Activities

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

### -----Being Baptist for the Common Good-----

Led by Pastor Jason (et al)

Sundays @ 11:30am-12:15pm

September 8-25 / 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Chapel

Join us for a four-part conversation on what Walter B. Shurden called the “Four Fragile Freedoms” that Baptists have historically upheld—Soul Freedom, Church Freedom, Bible Freedom, and Religious Freedom. These freedoms have been referenced a lot, it seems, in this election year, particularly as a guard against Christian nationalism. And so, together we will consider what our Baptist identity and these freedoms have to contribute to the common good today.

### -----Sermon Talkbacks-----

Second Sundays @ 11:30am-12:15pm

Next Session is October 13 / 1<sup>st</sup> Floor - Choir Room

We are resuming our sermon talkback sessions on the Second 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.

**Healing Together: Suicide & Faith**  
**An Interfaith Forum of Greater Dayton Presentation**

**Sunday, Sept. 22 from 3-5pm**  
**Sikh Society of Dayton**  
(2320 Harshman Rd, 45424)  
Free Event! All are welcome!

September is National Suicide Prevention Month. Let us foster a safe space that encourages individuals to share their experiences living with or witnessing mental health challenges. Meet with professionals and faith leaders: Christian, Jewish, Hindu, Sikh, Muslim, Bahai, Jain, Buddhist and other faiths, along with community members to learn about their perspective on issues of mental health and suicide prevention. RSVP recommended to help ensure adequate refreshments. Contact Dr. Singh at 937-974-6856.

*Note: Within the event building, all attendees are asked to remove their shoes and wear a head scarf (you may bring your own, also available at the event).*

**Church Women United Meeting**  
**Tuesday, Sept. 24 @ 1pm**

CWU Ladies of First Baptist: Please come to our meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 1:00 p.m. here at the church in the Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be Diane Flick, Development Director from Crayons to Classrooms. Please bring school supplies as noted in the most recent newsletter. Any questions? See Linda Ginter-Brown, Key Woman.

**Love Loaves of Welcoming**

First Baptist Church has restarted their practice of giving loaves of bread to first-time visitors. We want visitors to know that we care, and we welcome them to our service. The Deacons are inviting other members to help bake bread loaves for Sunday mornings. There is a sign-up sheet in the kitchen off of fellowship hall. We usually need two loaves, but they do not need to be huge loaves. And the bread can be any kind of bread you want to bake.

**BYF Gatherings**

Our Baptist Youth Fellowship for youth in grades 6-12 is back this fall, but we will be focusing on gathering for events or outings that will ultimately allow us to spend more time together. That might mean that we will have fewer gatherings, but actually more time together. In fact, as we start a new year, we would like to be sure to have updated information for our youth participants. And so, unless your youth submitted a BYF form for summer camps, we'd ask that parents turn in a new completed and signed BYF Medical-Transportation Form for each youth to Pastor Jason ([jalspaugh@fbcd Dayton.org](mailto:jalspaugh@fbcd Dayton.org)). Print copies are available on the table near the church office.

**American Baptist Churches USA**  
**World Mission Offering**  
**Month of October**

World Mission Offering (WMO) gifts are used for mission program support (global servant, international partner, and other ministry support), for development costs and administrative support. As the body of Christ, we respond together to the needs around the world—when everyone contributes, no one group carries the full burden of expenses. WMO gifts support global servants with training and pastoral care, enable us to address crises when they arise, and so much more. Giving generously in October will help our global servants continue their important work in the world.

## **TED & CO Returns to FBC**

Sunday, October 6, 2024 @ 10am

**“The Jesus Stories... what’s for lunch?”**

*A play written by and starring*

*Ted Swartz and Jeff Raught.*

Come early for the Prelude at 9:45am!

## ***Upcoming Adult Sunday School Class***

### **Symbols and Representations**

Led by Angie Berghuis

Sundays, October 13 & 20 @ 11:30am-12:15pm

1<sup>st</sup> Floor - Chapel

A few weeks ago during a Children’s Message given by Pastor David Coggins, he showed images of peace, love, and hope that have been used from biblical times to the present. You can find those same images on headstones all over the world. Have you ever wandered through a cemetery and wondered about the meanings of the designs carved on old gravestones? Thousands of different religious and secular symbols and emblems have adorned tombstones through the ages, indicating attitudes towards death and the hereafter, membership in a fraternal or social organization, or an individual's trade, occupation or even ethnic identity. While many of these tombstone symbols have fairly simple interpretations, it is not always easy to determine their meaning and significance. We were not present when these symbols were carved into the stone and can't claim to know our ancestors' intentions. They may have included a particular symbol for no other reason than because they thought it was pretty. Join Angie Berghuis for a two-part series on symbols and their meanings.

## ***Ladies of First Baptist Church!***

### **An Invitation to a Tea**

Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2-4pm

Dayton Woman’s Club (225 N. Ludlow)

\$20 per person

RSVP to Mary Herbert is required by October 7th (937-298-2866)

Mail check or cash to her at: 993 Princewood Ave, Dayton OH 45429

This event is part of our 200<sup>th</sup> Celebration!

## **Cardboard Halloween**

Sunday, Oct. 27 @ 11:30am

Upstairs Dining Hall

Everyone is invited to join us for our annual Halloween/Harvest Party hosted by the Board of Christian Education. The party will begin shortly after morning worship. Costumes are encouraged. And this year we are putting out a creative challenge for folks to make their costumes out of cardboard (check out Pinterest for ideas/instructions). Bring a fun snack/treat to share. Games will be provided and run by our youth.

***First Baptist Church Presents***

### **Concert by Musica**

**Dayton's Chamber Choir**

Sunday, Oct. 27 @ 3pm

First Baptist Church of Dayton



## Send

### Dressed to serve

A child ready for baptism is often dressed in white. Pastors are often dressed in a white robe, too. At our baptism, God calls us to be servants. How can you serve God in your church and at home?

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How does your pastor serve at church?

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Fill in the missing lines to complete this baptism picture. Add more water drops coming from the pastor's hand.



## this week

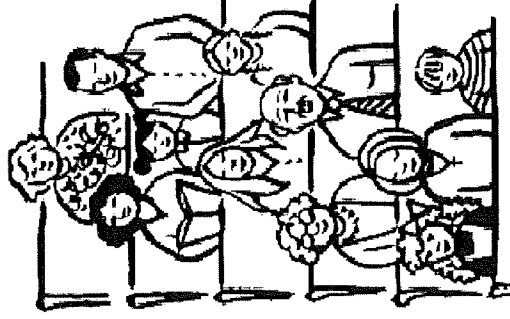
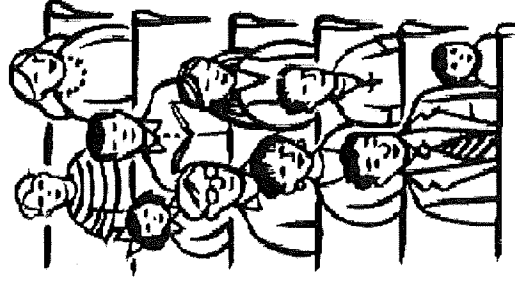
Try giving others a chance to be first in line, first to eat, or first to choose. Serving others can feel good!



## gather

Welcome to worship. All are welcome at worship from the youngest to the oldest, from the first one to enter the worship place to the last.

These worshipers have matching items with other worshipers across the aisle. Draw a line to connect the six matching items.



# hear & celebrate

Mark 9:30-37

Jesus turned everything upside down for the disciples! They wanted to be greatest but Jesus said, "Whoever wants to be \_\_\_\_\_ must be \_\_\_\_\_ of all and \_\_\_\_\_ of all."  
TSRIF \_\_\_\_\_ TSAL  
TNAVRES \_\_\_\_\_

Fill in the blanks by reversing the order of the letters. The last is now first.



Who are the people serving by helping in worship today?

Use the clues beside each word to figure out the words from first to last. The last word is someone Jesus loves. The first word is done for you, and part of the second.

(Hint: Take away one letter from the first word and scramble the letters to make the next smaller word on the puzzle.)

**I R A I P S E** a word meaning to walk

**S** \_\_\_\_\_ a line on a flag

\_\_\_\_\_ a car sits on these

\_\_\_\_\_ a helium balloon will do this

\_\_\_\_\_ a polite way to address a man

\_\_\_\_\_ not "isn't"

\_\_\_\_\_ a name for yourself



*I will be your servant,  
Lord. Stay with me  
always. Amen*