

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*"I'm not afraid of storms, for I'm learning how to sail my ship."
- Louisa May Alcott*

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP Stacey Simpson Duke

VOLUNTARY Chorale Prelude "We Thank Thee, Lord Jesus Christ" - D. Buxtehude

*** INVOCATION** Danielle Jarvis

*** HYMN 77** How Great Thou Art *HOW GREAT THOU ART*
(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

*** RESPONSIVE READING** Lamentations 3:19-26 Lindsay Ambridge
Leader: The thought of my affliction and my homelessness is wormwood and gall!
People: My soul continually thinks of it and is bowed down within me.
Leader: But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:
People: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end;
Leader: They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
People: "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."
Leader: The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.
ALL: It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

*** GLORIA**
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen

EPISTLE READING 2 Timothy 1:8-14 Zoë McLaren
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

SPECIAL MUSIC Holy Spirit, Lead Us
Becky Miller, soprano

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Zoë McLaren

*** GOSPEL READING** Mark 6:45-53 Gad Lim
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN Chantalle Brock and Danielle Jarvis

*** HYMN 714** I know whom I have believed *EL NATHAN*
(Preschool - 3rd grade may leave for Children's Worship at this time.)

SERMON *The Perfect Storm* Gad Lim

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS Precious Lord
William Grapentine; Adrienne Clark, piano

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION
Invitation to the Table
Prayer of Confession and the Lord's Prayer ("debts")
Assurance of Pardon
* Passing of the Peace
Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you.
Response: **And also with you.**
The Bread and the Cup
Prayer after Communion

*** HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP** Blest be the tie that binds *DENNIS*
(PG. 557) (1ST stanza)

BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in C Major

- *Dietrich Buxtehude*

* If you are able, please stand

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
in memory of Marie Johnson Scott.
~ Thomas Scott ~*

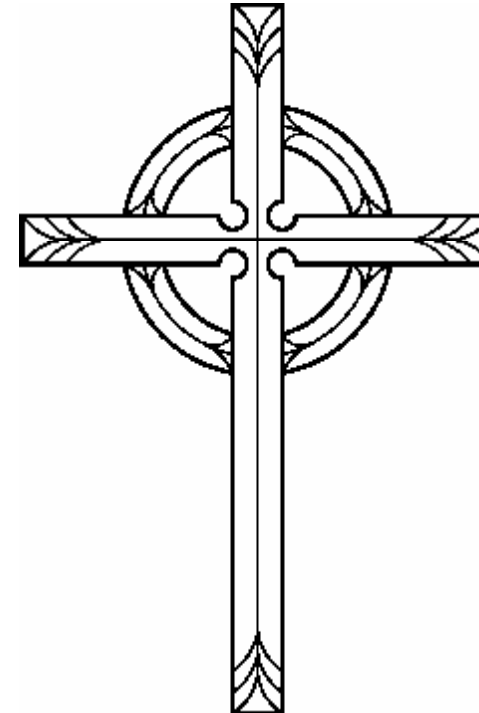
The Prayer Concern Cards are for your use. If you have a prayer concern in addition to those listed here, please fill out a card and pass it to the end of the aisle during the first hymn. We pray for John and Dot Reed, Conrad Juchartz, Marian Carter, John Moyer, Iris Martin, Bonnie Jensen, Marge Shannon, Mildred MacGregor, Frances Hinderer, Justin Kerns, Tim Studer, Ruth Scott, John Edward Martin, Martha Tipton, Dannie Jones, Lorraine Jones, Paul Wing and Paul Lambert.

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

*19th Sunday after Pentecost
Campus Ministry Sunday
World Communion Sunday
October 7, 2007*

*Please sign the Welcome Pad during the Offertory and pass it down the pew.
If you are a visitor, please also fill out a yellow "Welcome" slip and place it in the offering plate.*

~ Please turn off all cell phones and pagers. Thank you. ~

World Mission Offering

Surprised by the Word: Receive. Give. Be transformed!

"Did not our hearts burn within us ... while he opened to us the Scriptures?"

- Luke 24:32 (RSV)

"Jesus, God's living Word, makes all things new... including his followers' understanding of the written Word of God that we already know—or think we know! What happened to the disciples on the road to Emmaus on resurrection Sunday has been repeated over and over. Like those first disciples, when we receive God's grace, and give ourselves to those God puts in our path, we are continually surprised by the Word, and transformed. This pattern is typical of what we experience when we join what God is doing in mission, and it is the thematic framework for the 2007 World Mission Offering." WMO will be received throughout the month of October. Please give generously.

CROP Walk 2007 - today

CROP Walk 2007 is today. Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church next door. Please visit the CROP Walk table downstairs outside the Fellowship Hall if you would like to make a donation. The CROP Walkers are to return collected funds to their recruiter by October 21, 2007, so please be sure your pledge has been turned in to your Walker by then. Thank you for your continued support. If there are any questions, please contact Scott Diels or Bev Inbody.

Celebration of Care

Celebration of Care, Sunday, Oct. 28, will be an occasion for celebrating all the good things we do to care for others in our church family. We will learn why it is important for us to be a caring community, share a few stories of giving and receiving care, and learn of opportunities to form bonds of friendship by being part of a group within the church. A chili-tasting lunch will start us off at 12:30. All members and friends are encouraged to attend.

Third Quarter Statements

Third quarter statements will be available for pick-up at the small table near the Information Counter every Sunday throughout the month of October.

Texts for next Sunday, October 14:

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 · Psalm 66:1-12 · 2 Timothy 2:8-15 · Luke 17:11-19

Announcements

We warmly welcome all those who have come to worship with us today! Everyone is invited to join the events listed in this insert. Immediately following the service, please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments.

TODAY, October 7
(newsletter deadline)

Campus Ministry Sunday

9:30 a.m. - Prayer Group (Room 108)
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service ~ Communion
11:30 a.m. - Nursery Proposal Discussion (Lounge)
12:30 p.m. - Bd. of Care & Community (Campus Center)
5:30 p.m. - Youth Parent Dinner (Lounge)

Tuesday, Oct. 9

5:30 p.m. - Vespers (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, Oct. 10

1:30 p.m. - Bible Study (Lounge)
5:30 p.m. - The Gathering (Campus Center)
7:30 p.m. - Davis-Diels ChristCare (Lounge)

Thursday, Oct. 11

6:15 p.m. - Handbell Practice (Sanctuary)
7:30 p.m. - Choir Practice (102B)

Friday, October 12

7:00 p.m. - Youth Corn Maze

Sunday, Oct. 14

9:30 a.m. - Prayer Group (Room 108)
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:30 a.m. - Nursery Proposal Vote (Sanctuary)
6:30 p.m. - Second Sunday (Sanctuary)

Ann Arbor Co-op Nursery Proposal and Vote

Negotiations with the Ann Arbor Co-op Nursery concerning a proposal that their program be housed in our building have progressed to the point that our congregation should now discuss the proposal and vote on it. A discussion meeting has been scheduled for today during Second Hour in the Lounge. Final discussion and vote will occur next Sunday, October 14 immediately following worship in the Sanctuary. In order for you to be as fully informed as possible in advance of the meetings, printed copies of the proposal in detail are available at the Information Counter, and were also distributed by e-mail earlier this week.

Youth Parent Dinner & Discussion

There will be a Youth Parent dinner & discussion tonight from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Lounge.

Children and Youth Christian Education

Nursery 9:30 – 12:30 Room 307

All children are welcome to worship with their families. After the Time as Children portion of the worship service, children in kindergarten – 3rd grade are invited to Children's Worship.

There are no church school classes, Grace Notes or Jr. Choirs today so that the teachers may attend the congregational discussion.

3 and 4 year olds

10:00 – 12:30 Childcare in the nursery and room 306

K – 6th grade

10:00 – 10:30 Worship

10:30 – 11:00 K-3rd grade: Children's Worship (202A)

11:00 – 12:30 Childcare (Rooms 202A and B)

12:00 – 12:30 Grace Notes Choir (Room 202A)

7th grade – high school

10:00 – 11:00 Worship

11:00 – 12:30 Room 107

Children's Music and Arts Ministry

Jr. Handbells 9:15 – 9:45 Room 305, upper level

Tiny Grace Notes (preschool) 10:45 – 11:00 Room 305, upper level

Grace Notes (K-3rd grade) and Jr. Choir (4th grade and older) are not meeting today, but will resume next week.

Youth Corn Maze

Youth trip to the Talladay Corn Maze this Friday, October 12 at 7:00 p.m. Please let Brandy know if you are coming and if you need a ride.

Cooks Needed for The Gathering

Two more volunteers are needed to cook meals for our campus ministry program, The Gathering, this fall. This is a much-appreciated ministry of hospitality for students who are away from home and don't often get a home-cooked meal. Please sign up at the Information Counter and take an instruction sheet with you.

Adult Christian Education (Sundays, 11:30 – 12:30)

Adult classes will not meet today due to the congregational discussion.

Resuming next Sunday, October 14:

The Jesus Class (Memorial Lounge) **Ron Gregg & Sue Ellen Glover, leaders**
In recent decades there have been new conversations, speculations, questions, and convictions - - among scholars and in churches - - about Jesus. There has been new dialogue about his identity and his mission, a re-visioning of traditional understandings of what we mean when we say "God is in Christ." This class is examining the issues and questions that are currently being raised. It is a safe place to think, ask questions, and exchange views about important theological and spiritual issues. We don't expect everyone to agree on one theological position, but we will thoughtfully engage each other on the issues.

Young Adult Bible Study (Campus Center) **Marlene & Arthur Francis, leaders**
We are undertaking a study of the books of the Hebrew Bible known as "The Minor Prophets." The name speaks to the relative length of the books and not to their importance. In these often-overlooked writings are to be found some of the earliest articulations of the principles of justice and compassion which today are essential elements of the Christian Gospel. We will begin by considering how the moral and ethical decay which began soon after Solomon's kingdom was divided led not only to the prophetic calls for repentance, but also to the eventual conquest and exile of the peoples of both Israel and Judah. A brief manual, giving dates, some historical and biographical background and a summary of the basic message of each book, will be available.

Other Adult Learning Opportunities

Second Sunday Speaker Series:

Join us next Sunday, October 14 as we welcome Dr. Richard Rosengarten, Dean of the Chicago Divinity School, who will present "A Good God is Hard to Find: Flannery O'Connor's Unstinting Theological Realism" at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. On November 18 (actually the 3rd Sunday) we will welcome the Rev. Riah Abou El Assal, retired Anglican Bishop of Jerusalem.

Wednesday Bible Study (Memorial Lounge, 1:30-2:30 p.m.)
Rev. Paul Simpson Duke leads a study of the Gospel of John, chapters 12-21. Join us each week for fellowship, learning and great snacks!

Small Groups (ChristCare) – Centered on Bible study, fellowship, mission, prayer and worship, we currently have two groups: one which meets monthly and the other which meets every other week. Please see Stacey, Paul or Sue Ellen for more information about joining a group.