

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*"Thirst must be quenched! If our desires are not met by God,
we will quickly find something else to alleviate our thirst."
-- Erwin W. Lutzer*

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP Paul Simpson Duke

VOLUNTARY Preludium - *Zoltán Kodály*

*INVOCATION Barb Griffin

*HYMN 731 Glorious things of thee are spoken *AUSTRIA*
(The receiving of Prayer Concern cards)

*THE PSALM from Psalm 95
Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock
of our salvation!
People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a
joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
Leader: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
People: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the
mountains are his also.
Leader: The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have
formed. O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before
the Lord, our Maker!
People: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the
sheep of his hand.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 17:1-7 Stacey Simpson Duke
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM O, Come let us sing - *A. Piccollo*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Lord's Prayer - "debts") Paul Simpson Duke

*GOSPEL READING John 4:5-26 Barb Griffin
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

TIME AS CHILDREN Sue Ellen Glover

*HYMN 301 Jesus, keep me near the cross *NEAR THE CROSS*
(Preschool - 3rd grade may leave for Children's Worship at this time.)

SERMON *Dried Up* Stacey Simpson Duke

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING OF GIFTS O come, everyone that thirsteth - *F. Mendelssohn*
O come, everyone that thirsteth,
come to the waters, come unto Him.
O hear and your soul shall live forever.

*DOXOLOGY
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 417 O for a heart to praise my God *RICHMOND*

BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY Vorspiel und Fuge in C-Moll - *Anton Bruckner*

* If you are able, please stand

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Zella Willis.
~ The Floyd family ~*

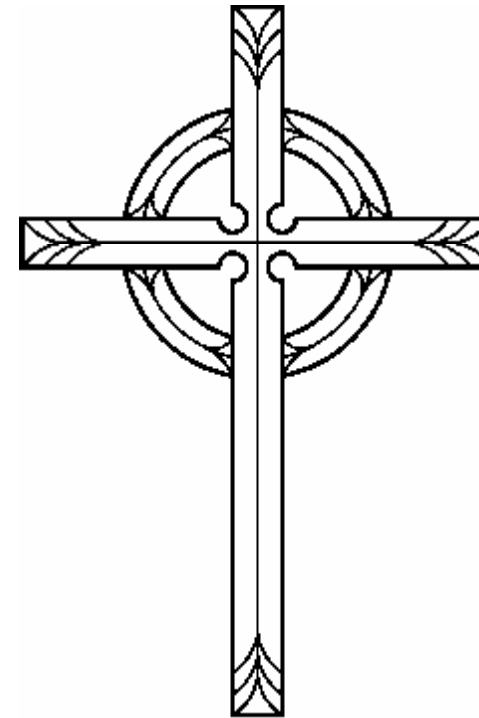
The Prayer Concern Cards are for your use. If you have a prayer concern in addition to those listed here, please fill out a card and pass it to the end of the aisle during the first hymn. We pray for Edgar Willis and family in the death of his wife, Zella Willis, and we also pray for Linda Ames, Dot Reed, Elizabeth Lee, Conrad Juchartz, John Moyer, Bonnie Jensen, Lloyd Crabtree, Justin Kerns, Marian Carter, Ruth Scott, Paul Wing, Susan Edwards, Mildred MacGregor, and Marjorie Shannon.

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR

*3rd Sunday in Lent
February 24, 2008*

*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. ~

Valentines

If you were unable to be here the last couple of Sundays, the youth still have your special valentine treat. Please stop by the table near the Fellowship Hall.

Texts for next Sunday, March 2:

1 Samuel 16:1-13 · Psalm 23 · Ephesians 5:8-14 · John 9:1-41

Cooks Needed for The Gathering

Volunteers are needed to cook meals for our campus ministry program, The Gathering. 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 where instruction sheets are provided for you to take with you.



EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

I / We would like to order an Easter Lily (\$15 each) to be given:

In honor of: _____.

In memory of: _____.

Given by: _____.

Enclosed is my check made out to "First Baptist Church" for \$_____, for a total of _____ plants, which will be displayed on the chancel Easter Sunday, and may be picked up following the service that day. Paid orders must be received by Sunday, March 16 to be included in the Easter bulletin. If you choose to mail your order to the office please write "ATTN: Carey" on the envelope and be sure to write "Easter Lily" on the memo line of your check.

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.

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| TODAY, February 24 | 9:30 a.m. - Prayer Group (Room 108) |
| | 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary) |
| | 12:30 p.m. - Morikawa Committee (Campus Center) |
| Tuesday, February 26 | 5:30 p.m. - Vespers (Fellowship Hall) |
| Wednesday, February 27 | 1:30 p.m. - Bible Study (Lounge) |
| Thursday, February 28 | 7:30 p.m. - Choir Practice (102B) |
| Sunday, March 2 | 9:30 a.m. - Prayer Group (Room 108) |
| * newsletter deadline * | 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service (<i>Communion</i>) |

Easter Event: Sunday, March 16, 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. Lunch, crafts, the Easter story and an egg hunt! Designed for families with children - invite your family and friends!

2008 Rotating Shelter

The Mission Board will once again host this year's Rotating Shelter beginning the evening of Monday, March 24 running through the evening of Monday, March 31 (please note: there is one added evening this year making a total of seven full nights). The men arrive at 8:00 p.m. each night and leave the next morning at 7:00 a.m. The shelter program provides sleeping arrangements for homeless men throughout the cold months. FBC has participated in this program since its inception many years ago and considers it to be an important part of our mission outreach. At least two volunteers, preferably three, are needed each evening to spend the night as hosts. If you are able and willing to help out this year please sign up at the Information Counter.

Nursery care is available on the 3rd floor from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. this morning.

All children are welcome to worship with their families. After the Time as Children portion of the worship service, preschoolers may go to the nursery for childcare and their church school class starting at 11:00 a.m. Children in kindergarten – 3rd grade are invited to Children’s Worship.

Children and Youth Christian Education

3 and 4 year-olds

10:00 – 11:00 Worship with family or childcare in nursery

11:00 – 12:30 Church School (Room 306)

K – 2nd grade

10:00 – 10:30 Worship

10:30 – 11:00 Children’s Worship (Room 202A)

11:00 – 12:00 Church School (Room 202B)

12:00 – 12:30 Grace Notes (Room 202B)

3rd – 6th Grade

10:00 – 11:00 Worship

11:10 – 11:50 Jr. Choir (Room 102)

11:50 – 12:30 Youth Worship (Room 107)

7th Grade – High School

10:00 – 11:00 Worship

11:50 – 12:30 Youth Worship (Room 107)

Children’s Music and Arts Ministry

Jr. Handbells	9:15 – 9:45	Room 306
Tiny Grace Notes (preschool)	10:45 – 11:00	Room 306
Grace Notes (K - 3 rd grade)	12:00 – 12:30	Room 202A, middle level
Jr. Choir (4 th grade and older)	11:10 – 11:50	Room 102, lower level

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

Foundations of Faith (Lounge) Guest Leader: Paul Simpson Duke
Christian life and mission are built on a foundation of personal faith. This class will focus on the spiritual foundation for belief and mission. We will explore such topics as the meaning of personal faith; our relationship with God in Christ; the use of the Bible in guiding and sustaining our faith; the place of imagination, symbols, music, and art in personal faith; the role of the Church as the Body of Christ; and such concerns as may arise from our discussions.

Lenten Small Group (Room 108) Facilitator: Sue Ellen Glover
Participants will commit to consistent attendance, shared leadership, and preparation each week by reading essays, meditations and sermons (up to 50 pages per week) by writers such as Barbara Brown Taylor, Frederick Buechner, Henri Nouwen, and others. We will use our group time to share the personal meanings these writings had and to share other resources which have impact on our spiritual lives.

Other Adult Learning Opportunities

Wednesday Bible Study (Memorial Lounge, 1:30 – 2:30)
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. See Stacey, Paul or Sue Ellen for more information about joining a group.