

# The First Baptist Church at Worship

## Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2011 10:30 AM

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### The Gathering

THE PRELUDE R. Alan Kimbrough, Organist

(We gather for personal and corporate reflection and prayer.)

*Preludes on "Quem pastores" .....* Helmut Walcha & Healey Willan  
*Partita on "Praise God the Lord" .....* Johann Gottfried Walther

### In Praise to the Lord

CHORAL INTROIT Chancel Choir

*Arise, Your Light Is Come .....* Festal Song

\*LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #5 *Come, Thou Almighty King*

ITALIAN HYMN

*Although the source of this hymn remains anonymous, it was first found in a publication of John Wesley's. It is a symmetrical celebration of the Holy Trinity giving praise to the Almighty King, Incarnate Word, Holy Comforter, and the great One in Three.*

### Baptismal Remembrance

\*PRAYER *(in unison)*

**Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the gate of heaven and revealed yourself as Father by calling Jesus your beloved Son, and sending upon him in baptism the dove of your Holy Spirit; you claimed us as your children when you brought us to your freedom through the waters of baptism. Come among us now as we renew the covenant made with you then, and empower us to live the redeemed life to which you call us.**

\*RENEWING THE OUTWARD SIGN OF INWARD FAITH

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

**I believe and trust in God the Father.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us, and rose again?

**I believe and trust in God the Son.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God, and makes Christ known in the world?

**I believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

*You are invited to come to one of the stations located around the sanctuary and touch the water and place it on your cheek or forehead and remember your baptism.*

\*THE FIRST BAPTIST COVENANT

\*WELCOME & PASSING OF PEACE Dr. Rodney Kennedy

*(Please register your attendance by filling out a YELLOW CARD from the pew rack and placing it in the offering bag this morning.)*

We are invited to greet our nearest neighbors, extend our hand, and greet one another in the name of Christ.

*(Please be seated.)*

CHORAL RESPONSE Dawn Kalbfleisch, soloist

*O Lord Most Holy .....* Franck

### Reading & Proclaiming God's Word

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Tom Kohnle

**Isaiah 42:1-9:** Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

*Come to the Water .....* Foley/Schrader

\*THE GOSPEL LESSON Rev. Jim Earnest

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Matthew.

**People: Praise be to you, O Christ.**

**Matthew 3:13-17:** Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the

heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Glory be to you, O Lord.**

\*FELLOWSHIP HYMN *When Jesus Came to Jordan*  
Fred Pratt Green (CCLI 1826847)

*The Reverend Fred Pratt Green was a British Methodist minister and hymn writer. His hymns reflect his concern with social issues. In our fellowship hymn we are reminded that Jesus' baptism meant that He shared our humanity; beginning an eternity of grace for all believers.*

To the tune *Aurelia (The Church's One Foundation)*

**When Jesus came to Jordan to be baptized by John, He did not come for pardon, but as his Father's Son. He came to share repentance with all who mourn their sins, to speak the vital sentence with which good news begins.**

**He came to share temptation, our utmost woe and loss, for us and our salvation to die upon the cross. So when the Dove descended on him, the Son of Man, the hidden years had ended, the age of grace began.**

**Come, Holy Spirit, aid us to keep the vows we make, this very day invade us, and every bondage break. Come, give our lives direction, the gift we covet most: to share the resurrection that leads to Pentecost.**

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Jason Alspaugh

(Children in preK-grade 4 will be led downstairs for Sunday School. Younger Children preK-K will go to Room #4 and older children grades 1-4 will go to Room #3B. Parents should pick up their children after worship service.)

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. C. Roland Marcus

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Debts & Debtors)*

THE SERMON Dr. Rodney Kennedy

***"Remember Your Baptism"***

### The Response of God's People

THE OFFERTORY R. Alan Kimbrough

*"When Jesus Went to Jordan's Stream" .....* Marcel Dupré

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #649 v.1 *We Give Thee but Thine Own*

**We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be: All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER Tom Kohnle

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*(Persons wishing to join First Baptist Church are invited to come forward while the organist plays the first verse of the recessional hymn. You may join First Baptist Church by confession of faith, transfer of letter, or statement of faith. The pastor will greet you as you come forward this morning.)*

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN #761 *We Bless the Name of Christ the Lord*  
CANONBURY

*Samuel Coffman penned these words in 1926 to remind us that the baptism of Jesus Christ promises the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in all believers. As we leave this place we carry with us that reality that we are constantly filled with the Holy Spirit.*

\*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL Dr. Rodney Kennedy

\*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION #840 v.1 *God Be with You*  
GOD BE WITH YOU

**God be with you till we meet again,  
by his counsels guide, uphold you,  
With his sheep securely fold you;  
God be with you till we meet again.**

\*POSTLUDE R. Alan Kimbrough

*Noel X* ..... Louis Claude Daquin

At the close of today's service, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated in the Chapel, located in the Beaver Wing. Immediately following the Lord's Supper, a Service of Healing will be held in the Chapel. The service consists of prayers for healing and wholeness, with anointing and laying on of hands. All are invited.



**Worship Notes**

Today is Baptism of the Lord Sunday. The liturgical color is white. All Sundays that center of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus use white as the color of the day. Perhaps Jesus showing up at the Jordan River and asking to be baptized is one of the most shocking events in the New Testament. There are so many questions surrounding the baptism of the Lord. Yet this event is also filled with meaning for us. Today we will not only consider the baptism of Jesus, but also remember our own baptism, and invite others to come to the waters and be baptized.

**Prayer for the Armed Forces**

*Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping 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.*



**Welcome to All**

- ✓ **Before Worship:** Children arriving with parents or grandparents at the 9:15 Sunday School hour may go downstairs to Room 3 for activities. A reminder to parents and grandparents: please pick up your children no later than 10:15 to give everyone enough time to prepare for worship.
- ✓ **Visiting the church today?** Here's an invitation! Please join the congregation for Coffee Fellowship immediately after the service. We hope you'll stop by the Visitor's Table, say hello, and meet a few members of First Baptist Church.
- ✓ If you are visiting, **please register your attendance** on a yellow information card and fill in any needs or concerns you might have. Members are also asked to sign the information card. Prayer concerns or event registrations may be marked on these cards.
- ✓ **Childcare** for infants through two years of age is available during worship and church school and is located in the West hallway. For your peace of mind, our nursery is equipped with a call-system that allows nursery caregivers to page our ushers should there be a need to contact the parents of an infant or toddler.
- ✓ All children are invited to come forward for the **Children's Message**. Following the message the children will be led downstairs for **Sunday School**. Young children (preK-K) will go to Room #4 and children (grades 1-4) will go to Room #3B. Parents should pick up their children after worship service. If you have questions or comments, please speak with Rev. Jason Alspaugh.

**Week of January 9 – 16**

Sun. 9	9:15a	.....	Sunday School Classes
	10:30a	.....	Worship Service
	11:45a	.....	Chapel Communion & Service of Healing
	11:45a	.....	Congregational Meeting
	12-3p	.....	BYF Second Sunday Gathering
	5:00p	.....	Lunch Bunch Dinner ( <i>Gretchen Root's home</i> )
Mon. 10	11-12	.....	Sack Lunches for Homeless
Wed. 12	11-12	.....	Sack Lunches for Homeless
	6:00p	.....	All Boards Dinner ( <i>hosted by Trustees</i> )
	7:00p	.....	Board Meetings
Thu. 13	7:30a	.....	Breaking Barriers ( <i>Boston Stoker</i> )
	7:00p	.....	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Fri. 14	11-12	.....	Sack Lunches for Homeless
Sat. 15	12:00p	.....	Comfort Group at Norton's
Sun. 16	<b>9:00a</b>	.....	Sunday School Classes ( <b>Note new time!</b> )
	10:30a	.....	Worship Service
	11:45a	.....	Chapel Communion & Service of Healing
	11:45a	.....	New Member Reception / Coffee Fellowship

**Congregational Meeting Today after Worship**

**BYF Second Sunday Gathering Today**  
**12:00-3:00, Lunch Provided**  
**(For youth grades 5-12)**

**Lunch Bunch Dinner Today**  
**5:00pm at the home of Gretchen Root**

*(Please see insert for additional announcements.)*

**First Baptist Church of Dayton**

*Baptism of the Lord*



**Our Mission Statement:**

*To celebrate God's love as a community of believers in Jesus Christ through worship, education, fellowship, and outreach to others.*

- Dr. Rodney Wallace Kennedy, *Lead Pastor*
- Rev. Jason Alspaugh, *Associate Pastor Children & Youth*
- Rev. C. Roland Marcus, *Associate Pastor*
- Rev. James Earnest, *Assistant Pastor of Visitation*
- Rev. C. Donald Thrash, *Assistant Pastor of Visitation*
- Ray Landis, *Music Director*
- Gregory Land, *Organist*
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