

The First Baptist Church at Worship
3rd Sunday After Pentecost
Communion Sunday

July 3, 2011

10:30 AM

(Please read as a preparation for worship.)

"It must always be remembered that the Sabbath is not an occasion for diversion or frivolity; not a day to shoot fireworks or to turn somersaults, but an opportunity to mend our tattered lives; to collect rather than to dissipate time."

~Abraham Joshua Heschel

The Gathering

THE PRELUDE

Gregory Land, Organist

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

Early American Keyboard Music

Sonata VIII J. C. Moller
Rondo William Brown
A Favorite Air James Hewitt
Yankee Doodle Anonymous
Voluntary and Fugue William Selby

In Praise to the Lord

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

*LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#425 *How Firm a Foundation*
FOUNDATION

John Rippon pastored Carter's Lane Baptist Church in London for sixty-three years. In 1787 he published a collection of hymns which became a runaway hit among all protestant denominations. This hymn, anonymously written, appeared in that collection and has remained steadfast in hymnals to this day!

*OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Jim Earnest

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

#343 *His Name Is Wonderful*
MIEIR

**His name is Wonderful, His name is Wonderful,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord;
He is the mighty King, Master of everything,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.
He's the great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages,
Almighty God is He; bow down before Him,
love and adore Him, His name is Wonderful,
Jesus, my Lord.**

*WELCOME & PASSING OF PEACE

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

(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.)

Reading & Proclaiming God's Word

THE NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON

Dorian Glover

Romans 7:15-25a: I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*THE GOSPEL LESSON

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Matthew.

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

Matthew 11:28-12:14: 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

At that time Jesus went through the cornfields on the sabbath; his disciples were hungry, and they began to pluck heads of grain and to eat. When the Pharisees saw it, they said to him, 'Look, your disciples are doing what is not lawful to do on the sabbath.' He said to them, 'Have you not read what David did when he and his companions were hungry? He entered the house of God and ate the bread of the Presence, which it was not lawful for him or his companions to eat, but only for the priests. Or have you not read in the law that on the sabbath the priests in the temple break the sabbath and yet are guiltless? I tell you, something greater than the temple is here. But if you had known what this means, "I desire mercy and not sacrifice", you would not have condemned the guiltless. For the Son of Man is lord of the sabbath.'

He left that place and entered their synagogue; a man was there with a withered hand, and they asked him, 'Is it lawful to cure on the sabbath?' so that they might accuse him. He said to them, 'Suppose one of you has only one sheep and it falls into a pit on the sabbath; will you not lay hold of it and lift it out? How much more valuable is a human being than a sheep! So it is lawful to do good on the sabbath.' Then he said to the man, 'Stretch out your hand.' He

stretched it out, and it was restored, as sound as the other. But the Pharisees went out and conspired against him, how to destroy him.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#244 *Blessed Quietness*
BLESSED QUIETNESS

Manie Payne Ferguson's words, written in 1897, are mindful of Psalm 46 verse 10 where we are reminded to "Be still and know that I am God." With so much going on in our world, it is difficult to come to a state of quietness and yet it is in that blessed quietness that we come to know God.

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. C. Roland Marcus

(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.)

CALL TO PRAYER

#409 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Jim Earnest

THE SERMON

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

"A Restless Generation"

The Response of God's People

THE OFFERTORY

Greg Land

"Let Freedom Ring - An American Tribute" Patriotic Tunes

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

#672 v.1 *All Things Are Yours*
GERMANY

**All things are Yours: we make that true
when we return our gifts to You;
and so we give, and so we share,
in Christ's strong name expressing care.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dorian Glover

The Right Hand of Fellowship

Today we extend the Right Hand of Fellowship to:

Petronia Nizigiyimana
*Petronia joins by Statement of Faith.
Her faith partner is Ernestine Minani.*

(SEE INSERT)

Celebration of Holy Communion

(Celebrants: Rev. Alspaugh and Rev. Marcus)

INVITATION

Rev. Alspaugh

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Alspaugh

If we say we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins,
God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves;
we have not loved ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

WORDS OF PARDON

Pastor: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Marcus

THE LORD’S PRAYER *(Debts & Debtors)*

BREAKING THE BREAD

Rev. Marcus

Let Us Break Bread Together - #461
Congregation

SHARING THE CUP

Rev. Alspaugh

“There Is A Fountain” Southern Hymn Tune
setting by Dale Wood
Greg Land

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Rev. Alspaugh

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

#295 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*
NETTLETON

*Robert Robinson grew up living the 18th century equivalent of gang life.
At the age of seventeen he went to church with a disruptive intent. He
listened and was moved by the Holy Spirit and spent a life of service to
God. He wrote this hymn at the age of twenty-three recounting his
conversion experience.*

*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION

#521 *Go With Us, Lord*
TALLIS’ CANON

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
through this and every coming day,
that in Your Spirit strong and true
our lives may be our gift to You.**

*POSTLUDE

Greg Land

Fanfare on “America the Beautiful” Matthew H. Corl



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 9:00 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.



Please Remember an Old Tradition

The first Sunday of each month is known as Communion Sunday at FBCD. In the past those who wished to do so designated their offering donation to the **Deacon Board Fellowship Fund**. This fund has helped many members of our congregation for several needs—utilities, unexpected medical expenses, and sometimes even put food on their table. Please consider making a donation today for that fund simply by adding in the memo line of your check “Deacon Board Fellowship Fund” or make a note on the yellow card in your pew.

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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*
- Ryan Gade, *Pastor Intern*
- Ray Landis, *Music Director*
- Gregory Land, *Organist*
- R. Alan Kimbrough, *Organist*
- Debbie Lindley, *Pianist*
- Linda Mullins, *Financial Secretary*
- Linda Blair, *Church Secretary*
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