

**Sunday Morning
Worship**

**July 22, 2018
10:30 a.m.**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: "Solid Rock Medley" arr. Chuck Sinclair
Brian Shepard, pianist

Call to Worship: John 15:9-13 Virginia Allman

*Opening Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" 45

*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer:

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.

Ministry of Music: "How Beautiful" arr. Phillip Keveren, Barbara Brocker
Sandy Greeb, handbell soloist

Children's Message: Karen Axelrad

Giving of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Offertory: "Sunshine in My Soul/Sunlight" arr. Brant Adams
Alan Greeb, euphonium

Reading of the Word: Matthew 5: 3-9 (p. 785) Virginia Allman

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn of Preparation: "Take Time to Be Holy" 540

Sermon: "Blessed Are....." Rev. K. Scott Robertson

*Hymn of Invitation: "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" 609

Recognition of Joni Janney and Travis Adkins Mike Taylor

Benediction

Postlude: "Rejoice and Be Glad" David Paxton

*Congregation stands, as able.

Budget Receipts thru July 15, 2018 - \$ 146,734.35

Needed each week to meet 2018 Budget goal: \$ 6,076.54

Received 7/15- \$ 3,088.00 7/15 Worship Attendance: 101

Betty Creech Scholarship given this year: \$2,161.00

Organ Fund donations this year: \$ 17,816.00

After many, many years of dedicated service to FBC our "Super set up team" Joni Janney and Travis Adkins have decided it is time to retire from those duties. Please join the Board of Trustees in wishing them well and in thanking them for all their hard work! Thank you Joni and Travis!!!

What's YOUR Favorite Hymn? Write down your favorite hymn, and put your suggestion(s) in the **Green Box** on the old communion table in the narthex. . We will draw randomly and sing hymns from this box during the next Pre-Service Hymn Sing on August 12, at 10:20 a.m. Don't miss the opportunity to sing some of YOUR favorites this summer!

We are excited announce that our MOPS group will be collaborating with The Oaks Church here in Middletown. We will be hosting a fall kick-off open house on August 23 from 5-7 pm...more details to come. Our fall session starts Sept. 7. The Oaks Church will host the 1st Fridays of the month from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and we at FBC will host the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6-7:30 p.m. Please check out our MOPS of Middletown Facebook page or contact Virginia Allman@ vpledger@gmail.com with any questions.

Founder's Day - August 5 – The Christian Ed Board is in charge of the Founder's Day lunch after worship, and will provide the meat and beverage. Please bring a covered dish (vegetable, salad or dessert) to share. We will celebrate 210 years of bringing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the Middletown area.

Founder's Day is for celebrating the people and events that have laid ground for the work First Baptist is able to do today. Be personally involved in Founder's Day this year by adding your personally decorated "brick" to the "foundation display". Using a box provided, give your testimony of faith by decorating 2 or 3 sides and bring it to church Sunday, August 5. (You can decorate all 6 sides but they won't all show.) Add it to the "foundation" while you take time to appreciate the testimony of others. There is no right or wrong way to decorate your box – have it say what is important to your faith journey. Families could work on this together – a great time to talk about faith experiences. Boxes available in the narthex.

This Week at First

Today, July 22

9 a.m. Prayer

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship

Monday, July 23

7 p.m. Yoga

8 p.m. Basketball

Tuesday, July 24

9 a.m. Rev It Up aerobics

6:30 p.m. Boards meet

7 p.m. Scouts

Wednesday, July 25

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10 a.m. Yoga

7 p.m. Bible Study

7 p.m. ABY

Thursday, July 26

9 a.m. Rev It Up aerobics

10:15 a.m. Tai Chi

5:30 p.m. Memorial Comm.

7:30 p.m. AA mtg.

Serving Among Us Today

Senior Pastor: Rev. K. Scott Robertson
Children's Church Teacher: Kadie Henry
Greeters: Judy Harper, Vicki Bechtel
Deacons Greeting: Tim Willis, Jeannine Taylor
Audio Technician: Ron Cobb, Ryan Krause
Visual Technicians: Mark Dunaway, Mike Ratliff
Head Usher: Dave Adams, Bob Welch

Witness Bibles: Lead others to Christ using a Bible tabbed especially for that purpose. These Bibles are available in the Welcome Center.

Pictorial Directory/Activity Pages: Reminder to all FBC and third party groups to take pictures of your activities and turn in the digital photos to Bob Baird via email at cardbaird@sbcglobal.net. The cutoff date for all activity pictures is July 31.

Let's Fill the Choir Loft for Founder's Day! Everyone is invited to sing in the Founder's Day Choir under the direction of Brian Shepard on **Sunday, August 5**. Whether you've sung in the choir before or you just want to sing on this special Sunday, we want you to join us! The time commitment will be minimal, as there will be only one **rehearsal on Wednesday, August 1, at 8:00 p.m.** *Let's fill the choir loft again this year to celebrate the many years of faithful ministry here at First Baptist Church!*

Two major renovations for the pipe organ are currently underway. Keyboards and pedal board are getting worked on in the shop. The work on the blower will take place here at the church this week, Monday – Wednesday. If you have volunteered to assist with moving the blower reservoir, please be at the church tomorrow at 1 p.m. If you have volunteered to help move the reservoir back on Wednesday, you will receive a phone call or text to let you know what time to arrive, probably early morning. *Thank you, again, to everyone who has generously supported the organ fundraising campaign. No money from our yearly operating budget has ever been used to maintain or tune the pipe organ since its installation in 1999.*

Commissioning Service for Aaron & Valerie Osterbrock – July 29, 3 p.m. at Hamilton First Baptist, 1501 Pyramid Hill Blvd., Hamilton, OH. All are welcome to attend. RSVP at <http://osterbrocks.rsvpify.com>

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Coming Soon

July 29

Prayer

Sunday School

Worship

Commissioning Service

For Osterbrock's at First

Baptist, Hamilton

July 30

Yoga

Basketball

July 31

Rev It Up aerobics

Scouts

Boards meet

August 1

Yoga

ABY

Bible Study

Choir Rehearsal

August 2

Rev It Up aerobics

Tai Chi

AA mtg.

Notice: Put School
Supplies in the RED tub
provided in the narthex
near the Welcome Center.
Thanks for you generous
support!