First Baptist Church in Beverly
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at “First Baptist Church in Beverly”

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Welcome to Worship
at First Baptist Church in Beverly!

We welcome you to worship this morning. If you are a visitor to First Baptist Church, we ask you to fill out one of the “Here We Gather” cards, which you will find in the pew rack in front of you. Please drop it in the offering plate during the morning offering. If you would like to know more about the church, please speak with Daniel Johnson.

There are Prayer Request cards in the pew rack in front of you. If you would like to take a moment to fill one out with a prayer concern you would like shared or like the ministers to know, please do so, and then place it in the offering plate when they are passed. Prayer concerns that should be kept for ministers only should have that designation written on them.

Prayground news for children! We encourage children in Grade 1 and above to make use of the Prayground space at the front of the Sanctuary to worship before their class time. The Prayground is a child-friendly place for the quiet enjoyment of worship. A care and learning experience for preschool and Kindergarten-age children is provided throughout our service in the Littlest Learners room on the main level, located through the double doors at the front of the sanctuary. Care for infants and toddlers (all children 2 and under) is provided throughout worship in our newly opened Infant/Toddler Room across from the rear sanctuary doors. All adults who work with our children have been CORI-checked. We always encourage families and caregivers to do what is best for their child and their family during the worship time.

Youth Pew and Class! We encourage our youth in Middle School and High School (grades 5 -12) to enjoy worship together with peers in our youth pew at the front of the sanctuary. Our Youth Sunday School Class meets monthly following worship.

Devices for Hearing Assistance are available for those who have a need. A Deacon will be happy to assist you and provide one.
Upcoming Events This Week:
Worship Ensemble - Today at 11:30 a.m.
Trustees of Endowment - Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.
Zoom Coffee Hour - Thursday at 10:00 a.m.
Lectio Divina - Friday at 5:00 p.m.

For more information on these and other programs of the church check the QR Code on the pew card in front of you or www.fbcbeverly.org!

Text Message Reminders from First Baptist Church!
Scan this QR code or text FBCTEXTSNOW to 724-361-6388 if you would like to opt in to receive text message updates, reminders, and alerts from First Baptist directly to your phone.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
August 13, 2023 10:00 a.m.

Tolling of the Hour
Upon hearing the bells, all are invited to a time of quiet preparation for worship.

Welcome and Announcements
Dr. Daniel Johnson

A Moment of Preparation

Call to Worship
Lisa LaPlante

*Hymn 695
ITALIAN HYMN
God of the Fertile Fields

(If you have not yet had the opportunity to turn off your cell phone, please do so now)

*Invocation, Lord’s Prayer (sung 307)
Amy Puff
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.

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Stepsitters
The Old Truck

Dr. Daniel Johnson
Open my eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

Scripture Readings

Bob Stoneham
Pew Bible pg. O.T. 462
Proverbs 13:10-22
Philippians 4:4-9

Meditation

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“The Shaping of Our Dreams”

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Morning and Fellowship Offerings

Call to Giving
Offertory
M. Hayes
A Time for Everything
Jenn Bobzin, soloist

There is a time for ev’rything, a season for ev’rything under heaven: A time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to harvest, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to destroy and a time to rebuild, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to grieve and a time to dance, a time to scatter stones and a time to gather stones, a time to embrace and a time to turn away, a time to search and a time to lose, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace. There is a time for ev’rything under heaven. There is a time.

*Doxology (48) Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all creatures here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; one God, triune, whom we adore. Amen.

*Hymn 638

In the Bulb There Is a Flower

*Benediction

Dr. Daniel Johnson

*Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Fellowship Offering is received each Communion Sunday. The money that is received is distributed by the Deacons and pastoral staff to benefit church members as well as neighbors in need. Envelopes are in the pew racks in front of you.

Masks are now optional in our building. Depending on your personal comfort level, you are welcome to gather here at FBC with or without your mask. We ask that you maintain an appropriate physical distance from your neighbors and if you have cold and/or flu like symptoms that you stay at home.

Julie Flowers is on vacation at this time. Daniel Johnson is available for all pastoral needs. Julie will return to the office on August 21.

*Indicates Congregation Standing As They Are Able
***Indicates latecomers may be seated