



First Baptist Church in Beverly  
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**First Baptist Church in Beverly**  
**2023-2024**

**Welcome to Worship  
at First Baptist Church in Beverly!**

*We welcome you to worship this morning! We are so pleased to gather with you! Please feel free to fill out one of our Here We Gather Cards in the pew rack, or to speak with Julie Flowers or Daniel Johnson following worship.*

*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.*

*The chancel flowers this morning are in Celebration of Our Graduating Seniors.*

*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 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 to enjoy worship together with peers in our youth pew at the front of the sanctuary. Our Youth Sunday School Class will next meet for their final class before summer break on June 16, following worship.*

***Devices to assist with hearing are available for those who have a need. A Deacon will be happy to assist you and provide one.***

\*Indicates Congregation Standing As They Are Able

Upcoming Events This Week:

Worship Ensemble - Today at 11:30 a.m.

Word Searchers - Today at 11:30 a.m.

Middle School Fellowship - Today at 4:00 p.m.

Inquiry Class - Today at 4:15 p.m.

Pickelball - Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Theology on Tap - Tuesday, 8:00 p.m. at Kitchen Table on Cabot Street

Zoom Coffee Hour - Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Sanctuary Choir - Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Lectio Divina - Friday at 5:00 p.m.

Parents' Night Out - Friday at 6:00 p.m. (This will be the last one for the summer)

**Save the Date:** Riverside Renaissance Swing Band Benefit Concert for Amirah on Friday, June 28, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are available: \$20/adults, %15 seniors 65+, Children & Youth 18 and under are free.

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](http://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.

## Sharing the Lord's Supper

Concerns and Celebrations

Prayer

Invitation to the Table

Sharing the Bread

Sharing the Cup

### \*Hymn 658

BEACH SPRING

*Restless Weaver*

### \*Benediction

Rev. Julie Flowers

### \*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 members and neighbors in need. Envelopes are in the pew racks in front of you, if you would like to give, and may be placed in the offering plate during our service.*

*An Inquiry Class is available for those new to FBC who would like to know more about First Baptist Church, our history, our values, and our hopes for the future. The class is hosted by Rev. Julie Flowers and Dr. Daniel Johnson. It will meet for its second session today at 4:15 and will have its final two sessions on June 16 and 23. Childcare will be available.*

*There is still a need for summer clothing for the children of our Beverly RIM family. Children include a boy size 10; a boy size 7/8; and a girl size 5/6. Gently used clothing is fine. Donations can be left in the church office.*

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 2, 2024

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

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

### Presentation of Gifts to our Graduates

Rev. Julie Flowers and  
Dr. Daniel Johnson

### A Moment of Preparation

### Call to Worship

*A Responsive Litany for the Blessing of the Work of our Hands*

Julie: We gather for worship this day, grateful for the crafters – the knitters, the crocheters, the quilters, the needlepointers, the weavers, and more – in our midst.

Daniel: We give thanks for gifts and talents that help to weave, to work, to craft, and to create.

**Congregation:** *We give thanks for the works of our hands, O God.*

Daniel: All those with handcraft work in progress here today, raise it high, that we might see and celebrate and bless it this day.

**Congregation:** *We give thanks for these works, O God, and ask your blessing on the hands that stitch, knit, weave, and create.*

Julie: We give thanks this day for our Prayer Shawl Ministry, O God, and for the shawls, blankets, and prayer squares created in love with prayers woven in with every stitch. May we join our hearts and voices in a prayer of blessing on these created works

**Congregation:** *Let your love be woven into these shawls and blankets, O God. Let the prayers of this church family be felt by all those who receive these handcrafted gifts. May your blessing be upon those who create and those who receive the gifts of this ministry.*

Daniel: We give thanks for the works of our hands, O God.

Julie: In that spirit of thanksgiving, let us enter into this time of worship now, bringing all of our gifts and all of our selves together here, joined in worship of our loving and ever-creating God.

Daniel: Come, joining our voices in song, singing aloud verses 1, 4, 5, and 6 of Hymn 10, *Bring Many Names*.

**Congregation:** *Come, and let us worship!*

**\*Hymn 10** WESTCHASE  
Bring Many Names  
verses 1, 4-6

**\*Invocation, Lord's Prayer, Glory Be to God (37)**

*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.*

**Scripture Reading**

Rev. Julie Flowers  
Pew Bible pg. N.T. 98

Acts 9:36-42

**Stepsitters**

Dr. Daniel Johnson

**Anthem**

R.V. Williams

*Come Down, O Love Divine*

*Come down, O Love divine, seek out this soul of mine and visit it with your own ardor glowing. O Comforter draw near, and within my heart appear, kindle it, your holy flame bestowing. O, let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming. O, and let your glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round, the while my path illuming. And so the yearning strong with which the soul will long shall far outpass the power of human telling. For none can guess God's grace, till love creates a place, wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling. Amen.*

**Meditation**

Rev. Julie Flowers

*"Handcrafters' Tools"*

**Morning Offering and Fellowship Offering**

Call to Giving

Dr. Daniel Johnson

Offertory

T. Paris

*How Beautiful*

*How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the children of earth. How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross. How beautiful, is the body of Christ. And as he laid down His life, we offer this sacrifice that we may live just as He died: willing to pay the price. How beautiful the feet that bring the sound of good news and the love of the King. How beautiful the hands that serve the wine and the bread and the children of earth. How beautiful is the body of Christ.*

*\*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.*