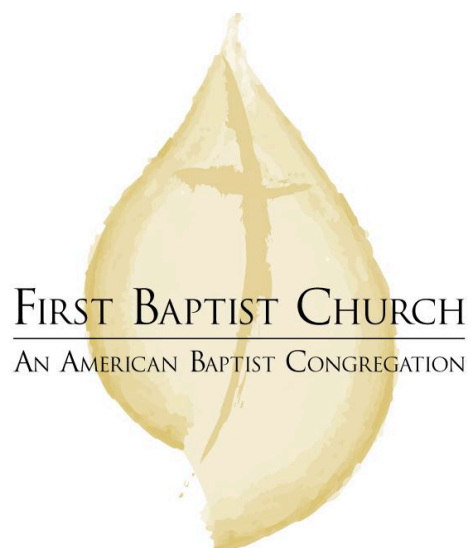




"Walk to Emmaus"
Frank Wesley



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What they had experienced must be shared. The return to Jerusalem denotes the outward spiral of the gospel. News this good must be shared. News this transforming creates new community. Those illumined by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ must offer witness to others that they too might come to know him in the breaking of the bread.

—Molly T. Marshall

Gathering Music

“Victory in Jesus” with “Pentecostal Power”

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Prelude

“Invocation (Corale) Op. 27, No. 2”

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LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Call to Worship

Anne Munsterman
Psalm 30

Leader: O Lord our God, we praise you.

People: We cried to you for help and you answered us.

Leader: You have restored our lives;

People: you have rescued us from the grave.

* Hymn of Gathering (CONGR 195)

“Easter People, Raise Your Voices”
WESNATE

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you!

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

* Responding in Peace

“Celtic Alleluia”
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Children's Sermon

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer (CONGR 395, vs 1)

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”
SCOTT

Hearing Our Joys and Concerns

** In-person worshippers are invited to stand as able*

Unison Discipline of Confession

Lord God, in the light of your glory we see the evil we have done, the suffering we have caused, the good we have refused, and the truth we have denied. Heal us of our sin, wash us in your mercy, and feed us with your grace, so that we may follow your way and tell the good news of the gospel.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Rise up from the dust! Cast off the shroud of sorrow and put on the joy of the Lord. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Morning Prayer 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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

"Shall We Gather at the River" with "Near To the Heart of God"
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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

* Gospel Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant
Luke 24.13-24

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Response to the Gospel

"Come Flood This Heart of Mine"
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Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant
"The Road to Emmaus: Two Griefers See"

CELEBRATING THE TABLE OF GRACE

Invitation to the Table

Celebration of the Bread and Cup

"I Need Thee Every Hour"
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* Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 203)

“Day of Arising”
BUNESSAN

* Life of the Church

* Benediction

Postlude

“All Depends on God's Blessing, Op. 65”
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Liturgist: Anne Munsterman • Organist & Accompanist: Evelyn Falen
Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson
Livestream Video Crew: Susan Pauls, Glenn Prescott • Sound: Jim Lord
YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Hannes Combest

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: Seventh Day Adventist Church
American Baptist Churches, USA: Rev. Brian D. Johnson,
serving the American Baptist Churches of Michigan
International Ministries Global Servants: Corenne & Philip Smith, serving in Brazil

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