

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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146 Years In this Home



Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

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The Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 21, 2024

Morning Worship

10:30 a.m.

♪ we stand to sing

Worship Leader: Joanna Calder Preacher: Jack Heynen

Christ is Alive

Prelude: Nun lob, mein Seel, den Herren, BuxWV 213 Dieterich Buxtehude
 "Now praise the Lord, my soul"

Introit: Now the green blade rises French Traditional, arr. Alan Bullard
Now the green blade rises from the buried grain, wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain. Love lives again, that with the dead has been: Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green. In the grave they laid him, love whom we had slain, thinking that he never would awake again. Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen: Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green. Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain, He that for the three days in the grave had lain. Quick from the dead our risen Lord is seen: Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green. When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, then your touch can call us back to life again. Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green. -J.M.C. Crum

Words of Welcome

Lighting of the Christ Candle: (from I John 5:7; John 12:46; Matthew 5:15) Leader: Jorge Marson
Leader: Christ is Risen!
Congregation: He is Risen indeed!
Choir: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Leader: Jesus said: I have come into the world as light.
 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you – that God is light.
Congregation: Jesus also said: Let your light shine before others,
 so that they may see your good works, and give glory to God in heaven.

Responsive Call to Worship: from Psalm 139
Leader: Where can I go from God's spirit?
 Or where can I flee from the presence of the Lord?
Congregation: If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
 if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
Leader: If I take the wings of the morning
 and settle at the farthest limits of the sea . . .
Congregation: even there your hand shall lead me,
 and your right hand shall hold me fast.

Prayer of Approach

♪ Hymn of Praise: Holy, holy, holy (Nicaea) 299

The Living Word

Responsive Psalm: from Psalm 139

A declaration of praise for God's power and presence.

Leader: O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

You know when I sit down and when I rise up;

Congregation: you discern my thoughts from far away.

Leader: You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.

Congregation: Even before a word is on my tongue,
Lord, you know it completely.

Leader: You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

Congregation: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Leader: It was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

Congregation: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

Leader: My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Congregation: Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.
In your book were written all the days that were formed for me,
when none of them as yet existed.

Leader: Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my thoughts.

Congregation: See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Music for Reflection: "Romance", Opus 94, No.1 (Schumann) Jeffrey Heynen and Darya Heynen

Time for Young Worshippers: Marta Varisco

♪ Hymn of Reflection: Open my eyes, that I may see. 500

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:13-34
The risen Christ appears to two followers on the road to Emmaus.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: "Welcome the Coming Shift" Jack Heynen

Silent Reflection

Living as People of Christ

Affirmation of our Faith, from the First Baptist Church Ottawa Covenant: (in unison)

By the aid of the Holy Spirit, we will walk together in brotherly love; we will seek the advancement of the Church in every Christian grace, and give to it, as Christ's body, a place in our affections, prayers, and services above every other organization; we will sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines, and contribute cheerfully and regularly, as God has prospered us, toward its expenses, the support of the ministry, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel throughout the world.

♪ Hymn of Response: Come to us, beloved Stranger (Beach Spring). 262

Welcome and Announcements

Presentation of our Offerings

♪ Sung Response: The Doxology (Old 100th). 830
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creature here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to Prayer: Prayer is the soul's sincere desire (Crimond), verse 5. 660
O thou, by whom we come to God, the Life, the Truth, the Way,
the path of prayer thyself hast trod: Lord, teach us how to pray.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer: Fred Demaray
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 trespasses, As we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever, AMEN.

♪ Hymn of Commitment: We are God's people (Symphony) 472

Benediction: Jack Heynen

Postlude: Erstanden ist der heilige Christ, BWV 628 Johann Sebastian Bach
"The holy Christ has risen"

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our pastor returns next week. We thank everyone who has helped with our worship services during his absence.

Congregational Potluck Luncheon: The Fellowship Commission has scheduled a luncheon for April 28, following the worship service. Everyone is invited to participate. Please bring enough food (main course, salad and or dessert) to share with others, and if possible bring dishes that are representative of your culture. Cold dishes would be the easiest for this event, but if you bring a dish that needs to be heated, the ovens will be available. Please bring your food items to the kitchen before worship.

The 2024 Annual General Meeting of the Multifaith Housing Initiative is scheduled for Sunday, April 21 at the Ottawa Muslim Association in The Hall of Peace, 241 Northwestern Ave, Ottawa. No registration is required. Simply arrive at 2 p.m. on April 21 to complete your registration before the meeting begins.

"CBM Responding" (Canadian Baptist Ministries newsletter) - If you are interested in learning more about the global ministry of Canadian Baptists, please email communications@cbmin.org to be put on the distribution list for this free publication. Requests can also be made by CBM at 1-905-821-3533.

The Centretown Community Food Centre has a job vacancy for the position of Intake Coordinator. This job is 18 hours per week, with compensation of \$21.95 per hour. Visit the CCFC website for more details.

The Gathering of Baptists will hold their Spring 2024 Gathering on Saturday, April 27 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Burlington Baptist Church. Final day to register is April 21. Visit www.gatheringbaptists.ca for details.

The Canadian Baptist Women of Ontario and Quebec will hold their annual conference at McMaster Divinity College in Hamilton, Friday, May 3 - Saturday, May 4. The theme is Belonging. Becoming. Brought Back. Speaker: Dr. Cynthia Long Westfall / Worship Leader: Cheryl Hill. The deadline to reserve accommodations on the McMaster campus is March 31. Please see the CBWOQ website for details.

The Ottawa Association Annual Assembly will be held Saturday, May 4 at Longfields Community Church (3376 Woodroffe Ave. During the meeting, the Revd Alvin Lau, CBOQ Next Generation, will be presenting the recent findings of Canadian youth in the Create and Cultivate program. All are welcome to attend.

Campus Ministry at Algonquin College needs volunteers to welcome students during spring orientation on Monday, May 6. Two shifts are available: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 12 - 2 p.m. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Yuriy Derkach, Chaplain, at derkacy@algonquincollege.com.

The Centretown Churches' Social Action Committee will hold its Annual General Meeting at Trinity Anglican Church, 1230 Bank Street, on Wednesday, May 8 at 7 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Check out the huge faith book and bake sale from One Way Ministries in Nepean! The sale will take place from May 9-11 at 89 Auriga Drive. Please see the www.thecodeottawa.ca for details.

A young Christian Nigerian woman from Charlottetown, PEI, will be visiting Ottawa from July 16-19 in order to complete some affairs at the Nigerian High Commission on Metcalfe Street. She is hoping to find free or very low cost accommodation during that time. If you can help, please contact Patti at the Church Office.

Volunteer Calendar: Our volunteers help our church service to run smoothly every Sunday. Please contact the Church Office if you would like to help out.

Date	Greeter	Ushers	AV	Nursery and Church School	Fellowship Hour	Tellers
Apr. 21	M. Tin	Team 3 J. Eserve J. Efome A. Mário	P. Shaver	C. Landry - - - - - C. Bekeche	Team 4 S. & R. Craddock P. Shaver K. Velthuisen L. Horrocks	G. Arbuckle D. George
Apr. 28	J. & K. Efome	Team 4 M. Hatfield M. Musgrove N Antony	M. Rivoire	M. Tin - - - - - P. Linn	Congregational Potluck Lunch (Fellowship Commission)	M. Hatfield J. Adeyemi
May 5	J. Heynen	Team 1 E. Demaray P. Shaver D. Chain	D. George	K. Chain - - - - - C. Bekeche	Team 5 J. Eserve M. Eserve E. Hessouh M. Bakare	T. Sumitro J. Eserve

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for FBC and our plans for the future.



- At home: -Dorothy Grant, Prem Lall
- The Redwoods: -Ruth Rath, Alton & Rosalie Alexander
- Overseas: -Abdul Zabeba, Awatef Rasheed
- Ukraine: -We pray for the people of Ukraine and Ukrainian descent;
- Restoring Hope: -We pray for the overnight youth shelter in our basement;
- Other: -We pray for Sandra Evans, mother of Jason Evans, who is in hospital;
- We pray for peace in the Middle East, and for Jewish and Muslim people around the world who are living in fear;
- We pray for Bakir Ali Ismail, who is clearing landmines in Cambodia;
- We pray for the Salehi family;
- We pray for the sick and suffering in Ottawa;
- We pray for missionaries Bruno and Kathleen Soucy in Latin America;
- We continue to pray for the nation and people of Afghanistan.