

“STRIVING TO BE THE HANDS AND FEET OF JESUS”

August 23, 2020

Worship 10:00 a.m. on YouTube

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Preparation Verse: “Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.” Ephesians 1:3 (NIV84)

Prelude

Welcome and Life Of The Church Pastor Lynn

Centering with Song “This is the Day” Pastor Alexandra

Call to Worship and Invocation Pastor Lynn

Leader: From the fullness of his love, we have all received one blessing after another,

People: That is what grace means.

All: Let us worship God!

Invocation

All-knowing, all-powerful and all-present God, we come to this place of worship this morning to lift up our praise to you. Although we sometimes seem painfully ignorant of the magnitude of your grace and of the power potential of your love, we joyously declare our faith and trust in you.

Help us today as we explore our faith to understand in some small measure your greatness, for everything about you is great — your love and mercy and your grace and peace. Thank you for being among us in these moments. We give you the praise, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Chorus “Change My Heart” Pastor Alexandra

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer Pastor Lynn

**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.**

Offering Dedication Pastor Lynn

Worship in Song “Down to the River to Pray” Pastor Alexandra

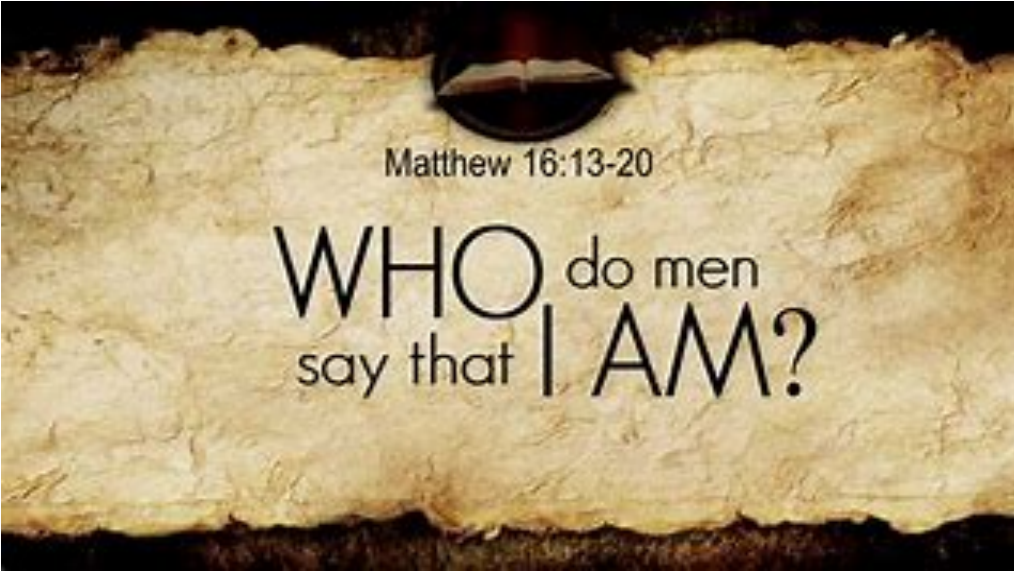
Scripture Matthew 16:13-20 Pastor Lynn

Sermon “Blessed Are You” Pastor Lynn

Song of Commitment “Lord You Are” Pastor Alexandra

Benediction Pastor Lynn

Postlude



Matthew 16:13-20

WHO do men
say that I AM?

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Prayer Requests: Cindy Colley, Mary Burrows, Harry Hardman, Amy Freidly, Betty Washburn, Bob & Sandy Beard, Eloise Nolan (Natalie Snyder's aunt) **Continuing Prayers:** Joe Bunk, Baby Aelin Beck, Brace's son, Joey Frederick, Carol Shaffer's sister, Lorrie, Mickie Tidlund, Shirley Shelly, Don Calhoun, Paul Biel's wife Theresa, Penny Greene's Aunt Lora, Esther Knapp, Jim Hubbard (Betsy Hubbard's son), Amelia Hillman, Sheila & Duke Burnett, Rod Cady, Candy Parish (Nettie's sister-in-law), Sandy Lathrop, Keith and Vyrna Brown (Kim Gleason's parents) **Other:** Be in prayer over our national unrest, All those affected by COVID-19,

Sympathy: Please hold up the Matteson family in prayer on the death of Bruce Matteson. Bruce went to be with his Holy Father Saturday, August 8. Daughters, Tammy, Marlene and his wife Sharon were able to be with him. Send condolences to Sharon Matteson and Family at 89 East Main Street, Cuba, NY 14727. Our deepest Christian sympathy to the family of Marianne McCarthy (OLA) who passed away last week.

Remember in Care Facilities

Batavia VA - Dennis Chamberlain
Brompton Heights (Williamsville) - David Halstead
Cuba Memorial Hospital - Gene Case
Eden Heights - Helen Swift, Joanne Guild
Field of Dreams - Betsy Hubbard, Pauline Comes
Highland Healthcare (Wellsville) - John Hoagland
Manor Hills (Wellsville) - Elva Gross

Special Interest Missionaries

David and Joyce Reed, IberoAmerica and Caribbean
Dan and Sarah Chetti, Lebanon

All those serving in the military, police, firemen, and emergency responders.

All those in and outside of our congregation who may not be listed but need the healing power of the Spirit.

Friend of the Week:

Beverly Ritter
6647 Wells Road
Friendship, NY 14739

Beverly has gone above and beyond her duties to make sure the church is clean and safe for us all. Please send her a card to show her our appreciation.

Special Thank You's

- I would like to thank everyone for the cards, calls, texts and food while I have been laid up with my broken foot. I truly appreciate all your thoughts and well wishes and the food was great! I go back for x-rays and to the doctor on August 17th. Hopefully they'll remove the cast and then I'll be in the walking boot for a while. Again, thank you all! I feel blessed to be part of the congregation!
Love, Linda Appleby
- Thank you to Carol Shaffer for trimming and weeding the church grounds. We look beautiful!
- Also a special thank you to Henry and Nancy Mayo for purchasing a paper shredder for the church office.

Announcements

Good news! We are returning to worship in our sanctuary at 10 am this Sunday, August 23. COVID-19 mandates & guidelines will still be in place with sanitary measures and social distancing. This means that:

- All will continue to enter and leave through the **Spring Street double doors only.**
- **Masks & health screening check-in are required.** Removal of masks after all are seated and service begins will be permitted.
- There will be no refreshments, childcare, nor group activities until further notice.
- Printed bulletins will **not** be available. The service items will be projected on the screen.
- We will have music, but we will **not** sing as a congregation.
- A **"No Contact" Offering Box** will be placed near the Fellowship Hall entrance. You may deposit your offering when entering or leaving.
- On Communion Sundays a Wafer & Juice set (prepackaged single serving) will be utilized.
- Livestreaming will be done temporarily through Cuba First Baptist Church Facebook page until we are better equipped for broadcasting on YouTube.

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- Services will be recorded “in-house” and uploaded to Cuba First Baptist YouTube channel shortly after the service.

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Again, you are under no obligation to come if you feel uncomfortable, at risk, or want to take extra precautions. Joining us virtually through pre-recorded or livestreaming viewing is a proven and an effective way we continue to be connected through God’s Spirit and grow as the Body of Christ.

Please continue to support our church with your care, your prayers and your contributions as we continue to serve our Lord as his hands and feet!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Lynn

- On August 15th, the distribution for Pencils and Crayons from Heaven and the Pantry Supply was held. It was a no contact distribution and although it “looked” different - it offered school supplies to kids in pre-K through grade 5. Many thanks go out to all who supported, helped pack bags and distributed. An update will be coming soon containing the number of children served. On that day, we were also happy to hand out cards from ACCORD and bags of books supplied by the Cuba Library. We are blessed to have so many people in our community that help support our missions and in turn serve our children. Extra thanks to Anne Brungard for all of her hard work in finding school supplies, masks and hand sanitizer for the kids along with coordinating the packing and distribution of the backpacks. Another example of CFB serving as the “Hands and Feet of Jesus”. Thanks to all!
- Please ***DO NOT*** take items into the **Rummage Rooms** and leave them. Donations are being accepted on a limited basis BY ***APPOINTMENT ONLY***. There is a quarantine process that must be adhered to. The ABWM appreciates your cooperation in this manner. If you wish to donate (we’re only accepting fall and winter clothing and household goods. Absolutely no blankets, sheets etc.) please contact Claudia Little at 585-307-8821 or Melody Hayward to make an appointment. Even small bags of items will have to be disposed of if we are not aware of where they came from or when they arrived. Thank you!

- White Cross-The ABW has boxed items to be delivered to Cameron Community Ministries in Rochester. If you will be going that way and would be willing to deliver, please contact Ann Gross. 585-968-2773

- ***CROP Walk Sunday, October 4 at 1:30 p.m.***

The CROP Walk provides an opportunity to serve others who lack sufficient food. Everyone can participate by choosing to walk or to sponsor a walker. Walking requires just a one hour commitment of walking at your own pace on the H.S. track. If you can’t, or choose not to walk, please consider sponsoring someone. Even small donations are very helpful to the cause. In addition to providing for the hungry around the world, we receive a percentage of the proceeds for our own Food Pantry. Last year we received over \$600. Help us to make a difference to those who are in need! Contact Ann Gross at 585-968-2773 for more information.

- A reminder that **The Grief Support** group is meeting via email. If you would like to be included or would like more details, please contact Claudia at claudialittle7@icloud.com.
- Hello! I have accepted the secretarial position here at the Cuba First Baptist Church. I am super excited for this new adventure. I have two children, Ian and Brooke. I grew up here in Cuba and have been a member of Cuba First Baptist Church for many years. I was one of the Sunday School teachers here for many years as well. I currently work for CABOCES during the weekday with Autistic children. I am honored to serve our Lord in any way he sees fit.
With Christian Love,
Melissa Snopkowski
- **Please note that the church secretary will be in the office the week of August 24-28, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to noon.**

Last week’s Attendance: 15

Weekly Offering Goal: \$2853 – 8/16 \$1698

*Please consider your giving during this uncertain time. You are able to contribute at <https://cubafirstbaptist.org/donate>. You may also mail in your donations to the church. Checks should be made payable to **Cuba First Baptist**. Thank you.*