

First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

# Worship Service for Sunday, January 15, 2023

Second Sunday After Epiphany

\*Please stand as you are able whether you are participating at home or in the sanctuary.

**Silent Prayer**: God of love, at the wedding in Cana, your Son Jesus turned water into wine, adding to the joy of all who celebrated there. Transform our hearts by your Spirit, that we may use our varied gifts to show forth the light of your love as one body in Christ. Amen.

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Music fo	r Gathering	"Prelude in C" & "Praise to the Lord" (Bach; Gospel/Folk tune)	Calla-Dawn Brooks	
Opportunities for Life and Service Cheryl Johnsto			Cheryl Johnston	
Morning	Chimes		Mark Anderson	
*The Intr	oit	"Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)" (Paul Baloche)		
Praise is rising, eyes are turning to you, we turn to you. Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for you, we long for you.				
When we're with you, we find strength to face the day, In your presence all our fears are met, and from our hearts we say:				
Hosanna! Hosanna! Life-light of God you shine on us, You bring the age of ages.				
Hosanna! Hosanna! You are the God who saves us, Worthy of all our praises. Hosanna! Hosanna!				
Call to Worship and Prayer		Cheryl Johnston		
Leader:	Welcome in the with you.	e name of the Father, the Son, and the Ho	oly Spirit. The Lord be	
All:	And also with y	you.		
Welcoming One Another				

# We Approach God

\*Hymn of Praise

"Christ is Our Light!"

(Words: Leith Fisher; Music: Uli Roever & Michael Korb)

The children are invited to come forward during the singing of this song before going downstairs for Godly Play (younger group) and Oasis (older group).

Christ is our light! The bright and morning star Covering with radiance all from near and far. Christ be our light, shine on, shine on we pray Into our hearts, into our world today.

Christ is our love! Baptised that we may know The love of God among us, swooping low. Christ be our love, bring us to turn our face and see in you The light of heaven's embrace.

Christ is our joy! Transforming wedding guest! Through water turned to wine the feast was blessed. Christ be our joy; your glory let us see, As your disciples did in Galilee.

Children's Blessing

**Cheryl Johnston** 

Gift of Music

"More Precious Than Silver" (Arr. Stan Pethel) Sanctuary Choir

For those who would like to follow along, the words are printed on page 7.

Confession Assurance of Pardon Kayely Rich

# We Listen to God

\*Hymn of Approach

"Beautiful Saviour" (Stuart Townend)

All my days I will sing this song of gladness, Give my praise to the Fountain of delight; For in my helplessness you heard my cry, And waves of mercy poured down on my life.

Beautiful Saviour, wonderful Counsellor, Clothed in majesty, Lord of history, you're the way, the truth, the life. Star of the morning, glorious in holiness, You're the Risen One, heaven's champion, and you reign, you reign over all!

I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer, I will sing of the blood that never fails, Of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed, Of death defeated and life without end.

Beautiful Saviour, wonderful Counsellor, Clothed in majesty, Lord of history, you're the way, the truth, the life. Star of the morning, glorious in holiness, You're the Risen One, heaven's champion, and you reign, you reign over all!

I long to be where the praise is never-ending, Yearn to dwell where the glory never fades, Where countless worshippers will share one song, And cries of "worthy" will honour the Lamb!

Beautiful Saviour, wonderful Counsellor, Clothed in majesty, Lord of history, you're the way, the truth, the life. Star of the morning, glorious in holiness, You're the Risen One, heaven's champion, and you reign, you reign over all!

Scripture Reader

**Enoch Ernest** 

Old Testament Lesson: Amos 9:11-15 (pp. 857-858, Old Testament section)

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 40:1-11

Leader: I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

All: He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog,

Leader: And set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

All: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

Leader: Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord.

All: Happy are those who make the Lord their trust,

Leader: Who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

- All: You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;
- Leader: None can compare with you. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

## All: Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear.

Leader: Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required. Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.

## All: I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

Leader: I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord.

### All: I have not hidden your saving help within my heart,

Leader: I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

### All: Do not, O Lord, withhold your mercy from me;

Leader: Let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

### \*Gloria Patri

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:4-9 (p. 166, New Testament section)

\*Gospel lesson: John 2:1-12 (p. 93, New Testament section)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

"The Wedding at Cana"

# We Respond to God

\*Hymn of Response

"Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts, Thou fount of life, thou light of men, From the blest bliss that earth imparts We turn unfilled to thee again.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood, Thou savest those that on thee call; To them that seek thee, thou art good, To them that find thee, all in all.

We taste thee, O thou living bread, And long to feast upon thee still; We drink of thee, the fountainhead, And thirst our souls from thee to fill.

Our restless spirits yearn for thee, Where'er our changeful lot is cast, Glad that thy gracious smile we see, Blest when our faith can hold thee fast.

O Jesus, ever with us stay, Make all our moments calm and bright; Chase the dark night of sin away, Shed o'er the world thy holy light.

Prayers of the People

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Our Gifts and Offerings

Hilary Ryan

Kayely Rich

\*Response of Praise

"Praise the Lord" (Arr. Jeff Sotropa)

Praise the Lord from whom all blessings flow, He has washed and made me white as snow. I'm redeemed from all my sin and shame. Now and forever, praise his holy name! Praise his holy name! Praise his holy name! To God be the glory now and forever, Praise his holy name!

\*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

"Recessional" (Baylor)

Mark Anderson

Following the worship service, you are invited to the lower hall for "A Time for Friends" — an opportunity to fellowship with one another and enjoy some refreshments together.

For those of you on Zoom, after the Music for Departing, a breakout group will be formed. There is no obligation to stay if you need to be going. If you wish to take part, simply remain on Zoom to be invited to the group and hear how others are doing. Lyrics for "More Precious Than Silver"

Lord, you are more precious than silver Lord, you are more costly than gold. Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds, And nothing I desire compares with you.

When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Lord, you are more precious than silver	Were the whole realm of nature mine,
Lord, you are more costly than gold.	That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,	Lord, you are more beautiful than
diamonds,	
Demands my soul, my life, my all.	And nothing I desire compares with you.

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