



First Baptist Church

Worship Service for Sunday, January 19th, 2025

2nd Sunday in Epiphany

Welcome! Young children are welcome in the service or in our staffed nursery.

The collection is taken at the doorways as you enter the sanctuary.

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

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: Creator of heaven and earth, you have called people into right relationship with you since you first called Adam and Eve and their descendants to know you and live with you. Help us to hear you calling us through Jesus and help us by your Holy Spirit to follow you home all the days of our life. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Oluwaseye Popoola

Opportunities for Life and Service

Joel Russell-MacLean

*The Introit

“Thanks and Praise”

by Songs from the Soil

**We are here together, to lift our hearts as one.
We're in our Father's presence, his Spirit is with us:**

(Refrain:)

**It is good to lift the name of the Lord, our God,
It is right to give him thanks and praise;
For his heart is overflowing with love for us
And his mercy, we can never contain.**

**And each and every morning, we'll tell of his great love,
Of all his faithful mercies, and all that he has done,
For who can match his kindness, and who can count his works?
Oh, let our praise continue, 'til evening draws in close. *(Refrain)***

Call to Worship and prayer

Joel Russell-MacLean

Leader: Welcome in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Welcoming One Another

We Approach God

*Hymn of Praise

God, our Father, We Adore Thee”

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The children are invited forward before going downstairs for their own time of worship.

God, our Father, we adore thee! We, thy children, bless thy name!

Chosen in the Christ before thee, we are “holy, without blame.”

We adore Thee! We adore thee! Abba's praises we proclaim!

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Son eternal, we adore thee! Lamb upon the throne on high!

Lamb of God, we bow before thee, thou hast brought thy people nigh!

We adore Thee! We adore thee! Son of God, who came to die!

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Holy Spirit, we adore thee! Paraclete and heavenly guest!

Sent from God and from the Saviour, thou hast led us into rest.

We adore Thee! We adore thee! By thy grace forever blest.

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Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—three in one! We give thee praise!

For the riches we inherit, heart and voice to thee we raise!

We adore thee! We adore Thee! Thee we bless through endless days!

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Children’s Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

Prayer of Confession

John Hillmer

Assurance of Pardon

**Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and Man, the Son,
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honour, thou, my soul’s glory, joy, and crown.**

**Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer who makes the woeful heart to sing.**

**Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast.**

**Beautiful Saviour! Lord of all the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honour, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.**

We Listen to God

Scripture Reader

Karlee Mock

Old Testament Lesson: The Prophet Isaiah 60:1-5

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Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 65

Leader: Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed,

All: O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

Leader: When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

All: Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.

Leader: We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.
By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;

All: You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

Leader: By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might.

All: You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.

Leader: Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

All: You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

Leader: You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness. The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,

All: The meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

*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.

*Gospel Lesson: The Gospel According to Luke 5:1-11

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Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

“Amazing Grace”

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**Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!**

**The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.**

**Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come:
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.**

Prayers of the People

Cheryl Johnston

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

Cheryl Johnston

We Depart to Serve God

*Hymn for Departing

“The Goodness of Jesus”

by City Alight

**Come you weary heart now to Jesus,
Come you anxious soul now and see,
There is perfect love and comfort in your tears:
Rest here in his wondrous peace.**

(Refrain:)

**Oh, the goodness, the goodness of Jesus,
Satisfied, he is all that I need.
May it be, come what may, that I rest all my days
In the goodness of Jesus.**

**Come and find your hope now in Jesus,
He is all he said he would be.
Grace is overflowing from the Saviour's heart:
Rest here in his wondrous peace. *(Refrain)***

*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Oluwaseye Popoola

“A Time For Friends”

Everyone is invited outside for refreshments following the service.

Parents:

Please go to meet your children in Godly Play and Nursery as they can only be dismissed into your care.



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