



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, February 1, 2026

4th 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: Lord Jesus Christ, you came to give us life and to teach us how to live. May we turn to you to receive life and may we take your teaching, hiding it in our hearts and allowing it to renew our minds. May your love change us day by day. In your name we pray. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Calla Dawn Brooks

Opportunities for Life and Service

Chris Senger

*The Introit

"Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)"

(by 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, 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

Chris Senger

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 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

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

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring.

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour to his people in distress.

Praise him, still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.

Alleluia, alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness!

Fatherlike he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows.

In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.

Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows!

Angels, in the height adore him; you behold him face to face.

Saints triumphant bow before him, gathered in from every race.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace!

Children's Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

We Listen to God

*Hymn of Preparation

“Speak O Lord”

(Stuart Townend & Keith Getty)

**Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
To receive the food of your Holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All your purposes for your glory.**

**Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail—
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.**

**Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us—
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built
And the earth is filled with your glory.**

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:20-28 (p. 166, New Testament section)

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 15

Leader: O Lord, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

All: Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right and speak the truth from their heart;

Leader: Who do not slander with their tongue and do no evil to their friends nor heap shame upon their neighbors;

All: In whose eyes the wicked are despised but who honor those who fear the Lord:

Leader: Who stand by their oath even to their hurt; who do not lend money at interest and do not take a bribe against the innocent.

All: Those who do these things shall never be moved.

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:1-12 (p. 4, New Testament section)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

“God Is Quietly Turning our World Upside Down” Joel Russell-MacLean

We Celebrate

*Hymn of Preparation "Jesus Loves Me" #579

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain:

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! He who died heaven's gate to open wide.

He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. (Refrain)

Jesus loves me! He will stay close beside me all the way;

He's prepared a home for me, and some day his face I'll see. (Refrain)

*The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ God's only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the one, holy, universal church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to the Supper

Joel Russell-MacLean

Call to Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right and good, always and everywhere to give thanks to you Lord, Holy Father, Creator of heaven and earth... We praise you, joining the angels of heaven, all our sisters and brothers around the world, and the faithful departed..., saying:

All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is Jesus who came and will come again in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayers of the People

Margaret Friesen

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.

Gift of Music

“Communion Prayer”
(Words printed on p. 7)

Sanctuary Choir

The Words of Consecration

Joel Russell-MacLean

Minister: Lord Jesus Christ, you came to set us free from sin, death and the devil. With love, we offer ourselves to you, fully and completely, as living sacrifices, as we proclaim the good news:

All: **Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!**

Our Gifts and Offerings

Joel Russell-MacLean

Minister: Come Holy Spirit, be with us as we take this bread and cup as genuine symbols of the body and blood of Jesus. Unite us to Jesus and bring us, in the end, with all the faithful, to resurrection and everlasting life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

Communion

We Depart to Serve God

*Hymn for Departing

“All the Way My Saviour Leads Me”

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All the way my Saviour leads me; what have I to ask beside?

Can I doubt his tender mercy, who through life has been my guide?

Heav’ly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in him to dwell!

For I know, whate’er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well;

For I know, whate’er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well.

All the way my Saviour leads me; cheers each winding path I tread,

Gives me grace for ev’ry trial, feeds me with the living bread.

Though my weary steps may falter and my soul athirst may be,

Gushing from the rock before me, lo! A spring of joy I see;

Gushing from the rock before me, lo! A spring of joy I see.

All the way my Saviour leads me; oh, the fullness of his love!

Perfect rest to me is promised in my Father’s house above.

When my spirit, clothed immortal, wings its flight to realms of day,

This my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way;

This my song through endless ages: Jesus led me all the way;

*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

Calla Dawn Brooks

Following the 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

Parents: Please go to meet your children in the nursery and/or children’s program, as they can only be dismissed into your care.

“Communion Prayer”

(Allen Pote)

We place upon your table, Lord, the bread and wine,
As symbols of our daily work, according to your grand design.
Within these simple things there lie
The height and depth of human life;
Our pain and tears, our thoughts and toils,
Our hopes and fears, our joy and strife.

Accept them, Lord, they come from you.
We take them humbly from your hand.
These gifts of yours for higher use
We offer, we offer, we offer up as you command.

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