

The First Baptist Church at Worship
6th Sunday After the Epiphany

February 17, 2019

10:00 AM

The Gathering

The congregation is invited to meditate and contemplate during the Prelude.

THE PRELUDE

Gregory Land, Organist

When In Our Music God Is Glorified Charles V. Stanford
For the Beauty of the Earth Conrad Kocher
Swing Low, Sweet Chariot Spiritual
Jesus Loves Me William B. Bradbury

In Praise to the Lord

ACOLYTES BRING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE SANCTUARY
TO LIGHT THE CANDLES

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

A three-fold ringing of three signifies the presence of the triune God:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

CHORAL INTROIT

Rise and Greet the Sun
Eugene Butler

Rise and greet the sun; God's day has begun.

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis, Leader

God anointed Jesus to console the afflicted.
Come, let us worship Christ our Comforter!
God anointed Jesus to emancipate the enslaved.
Come, let us worship Christ our Liberator!
God anointed Jesus to bind up the wounded.
Come, let us worship Christ our Healer!
God anointed Jesus to deliver the troubled.
Come, let us worship Christ our Savior!
God anointed Jesus to show us the way that leads to life.
Come, let us follow Christ our Lord!

(adapt. from *Chalice Worship*)

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#550 *We're Marching to Zion*
MARCHING TO ZION

Isaac Watts was the son of a schoolmaster, and was born in Southampton, July 17, 1674. He is said to have shown remarkable precocity in childhood, beginning the study of Latin in his fourth year, and writing respectable verses at the age of seven. At the age of sixteen, he went to London to study in the Academy of the Rev. Thomas Rowe, an Independent minister. In 1698, he became assistant minister of the Independent Church, Berry St., London. In 1702, he became pastor.

*OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (SEE INSERT)

Awesome in This Place
Dave Billington

**You are awesome in this place, Mighty God,
You are awesome in this place, Abba Father;
You are worthy of all praise, to You our lives we raise,
You are awesome in this place Mighty God.**

*WELCOME & PASSING THE PEACE

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

(Please register your attendance by filling out a yellow card from the pew rack and placing it in the offering bag later in the service.)

We are invited to greet our nearest neighbors, extend our hand,
and greet one another in the name of Christ.

(Please be seated.)

Reading & Proclaiming God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew Little

Micah 6:6-8: "With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People: Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON

Matthew Little

1 Corinthians 12:4-13: Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People: Thanks be to God!

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#403 *Lead Me, Guide Me*
LEAD ME, GUIDE ME

This gospel hymn is representative of the first generation of African American gospel music, a generation that began with Thomas Dorsey and includes gospel artists such as Roberta Martin, Lucie Campbell, Kenneth Morris, Theodore Frye, and Doris M. Akers. The core of this style is improvisation.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Ray Landis

(Following the message, children in preK-5 grades will be led downstairs for Sunday School. PreK-1 graders will be in Rm. #4. Grades 2-5 will be in Rm. #3B. Parents are asked to pick up their children after worship.)

CALL TO PRAYER

#365 *More Love to Thee, O Christ*
MORE LOVE TO THEE

More love to Thee, O Christ, more love to Thee! Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee; this is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to Thee, more love to Thee, more love Thee!

PASTORAL PRAYER and

Rev. David Coggins

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts & Debtors)

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

Susan Parent, Soprano and Ray Landis, Baritone

It Is a Precious Thing Johann Friederich Peter

It is a precious thing when the heart is fixed and trusteth in God; through the mercy of God and our Savior Jesus Christ. My heart is resting, O my Savior, In Thy loving care, My trust is ever stayed on Thee; O hear my earnest prayer that ever faithful I may be, And ever do Thy will; O grant this in Thy mercy still, Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

THE SERMON

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

"Still Just One Body"

The Response of God's People

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (RESPONSIVE)

Rev. Alspaugh

Learn to do good;
seek justice,
rescue the oppressed,
defend the orphan,
plead for the widow.

Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord:
though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow;
though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

(Isaiah 1.17f.)

Lord, we have got it wrong.
We thought you just wanted our worship:
songs of praise and prayers of passion.
But you want the whole of our lives:
a worldly worship of acting justly and living compassionately.
You look inside and ask us who we are and what we want.

**Forgive us our sins, we pray
challenge us where we are unjust,
disturb us when we don't care
and transform our selfishness
through the love of your Son
and the life-giving power of your Spirit.**

(from *Gathering for Worship*)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (RESPONSIVE)

While it is true that we have sinned,
it is a greater truth that we are forgiven
through God's love in Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!

(adapted from *Chalice Worship*)

THE OFFERTORY

Chancel Choir

You Better Mind Jester Hairston

Oh, you better mind, you got to give an account at the judgment, you better mind. You better mind how you talk, you better mind what you're talking about, cause you got to give an account at the judgment, you better mind. You better mind how you shout, you better mind what you're shouting about, cause you got to give an account at the judgment, you better mind.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE (SEE INSERT)

All Things Come of Thee...
BELMONT PARK

**All things come of Thee, O Lord:
and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Matthew Little

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Rev. Alspaugh

(Persons wishing to make known a decision to follow Christ as Lord or to join First Baptist Church are invited to come forward while the organist plays the first verse of the recessional hymn. You may join First Baptist Church by transfer of letter, statement of faith, or baptism. The pastor will greet you as you come forward this morning.)

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#507 *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*
I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Miles Mark Fisher, in *Negro Slave Songs in the United States*, writes that this African American spiritual could have been written in Virginia in the 1750s based on a story from Hanover, Virginia, 1756: "A black slave asked Presbyterian preacher William Davies, 'I come to you, sir, that you may tell me some good things concerning Jesus Christ and my duty to God, for I am resolved not to live any more as I have done...Lord [Sir], I want to be a Christian'". What a powerful line – "I am resolved not to live any more as I have done." It is very easy for us to say as Christians that we have "arrived"; we've accepted the call, received Christ into our hearts, and are thereby "Christian." But how often do we use this as a crutch? How simple it is to justify our painful comments, our complacency in the face of injustice, and our actions done out of pride rather than humility, all because we bear the name "Christian." Today, and every day, we must dedicate ourselves to being

Christian—not just claiming the name as our own—and resolve "not to live any more as we have done."

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Alspaugh

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Amen
DANISH HYMN

*POSTLUDE

Gregory Land

Fanfare John Cook
(Psalm 81, vv. 1-3)

(* You're invited to rise in body or in spirit!



Prayer for the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials and temptations, give them courage to face the perils which beset them, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

(If you have someone you'd like to add or remove, please let us know.)

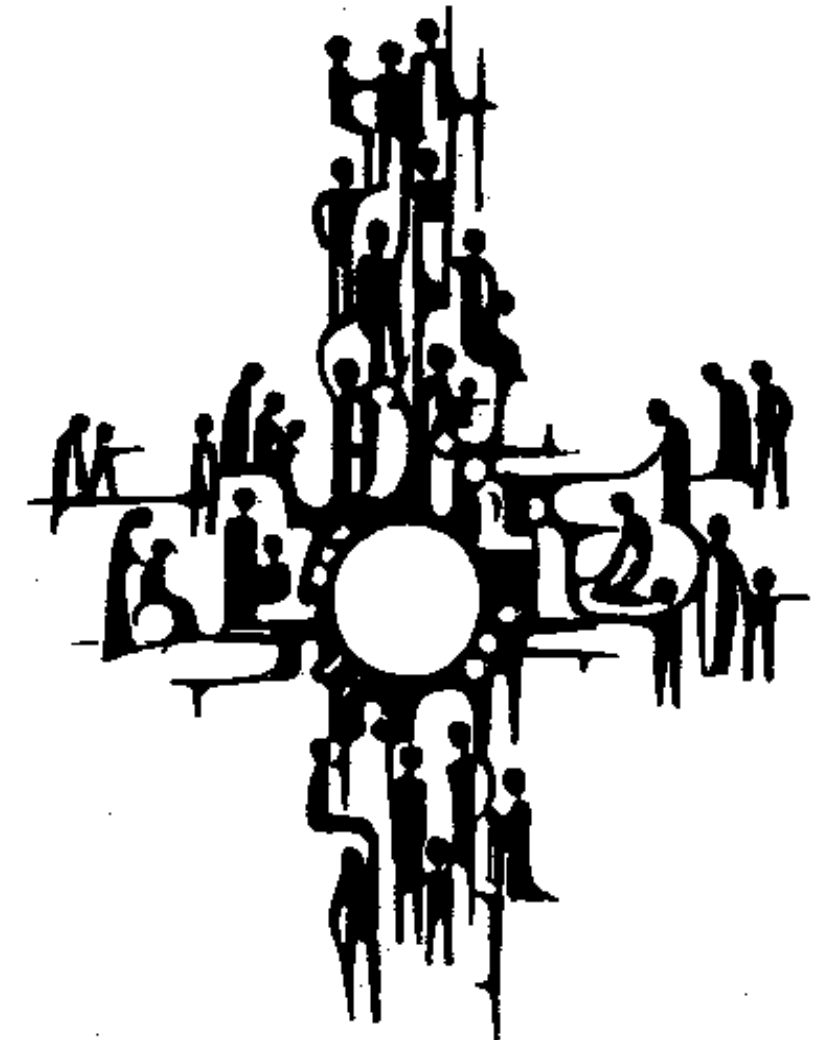
Lloyd Anderson	Gough Family	Susan Reichard
Sharon Appelt	Bev Harrell	Nestor Suro Rogas
Glen & Barbara Babb	Ron Hawkins	Root Family
Kenneth Barger	Rosalie Hoffman	Judy See
Marlen Berghuis	Barbara Jett	Anita Suro
Jessica Blair	Cason Kerr	Helen Sutton
Don Brown	Doris Landis	Torrey Thrash
Jessica Brown	Anna Frances Lasley	Arthur Tiffner
Robert Brown	Mary K Lee	Jim Veghte
Lynn Chadbourne	Betty Lentz	Harold & Janet West
Tami Malone Charles	Vincent Liss	Dr. Williams Family
Andy Collier	Jennifer Loxley	Judy Williams
Marilyn Craig	Tim Meador	Warren Williams
Pamela Cress	Arthur Merkle	Peggie Worthey
Florida Dixon	Mary Ann Paloncy	Military Duty:
Bill Earnest	Rose Peacock	Sebastian Ewald
Jim Earnest	Ron Petry	Brittany Kalbfleisch
Lavanda Ferguson	Brad Pipenger	Andy Wilson

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)

Art Show by Jerome Stueart Begins Today

Jerome Stueart's art show, *Communion*, is a collection of new work that asks the question, What is Communion in the Life of the Church? While we know it is the bread and cup service we have at the first Sunday of each month, could it also be whenever we are together in fellowship as a church? Communion as community. The show will feature 20+ acrylic portraits of church members drinking tea and coffee together, a new acrylic portrait of the church building, and other scenes in acrylic or pen and ink from church life (the choir, the brick dedication). Prints can be ordered of everything in this show and 10% of the proceeds go to the church. **You are invited to a small coffee/snacks reception for the opening of the show after worship today.**

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

*To celebrate God's love as a community of believers
in Jesus Christ through worship, education,
fellowship, and outreach to others.*

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