

The Worship of God

February 23, 2014

Eleven o'clock in the morning

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

THE GATHERING

The Christian life is not so much a destination as a journey. Even so the worship of God is not to be found solely in the gathering of this people of faith nor in their acts of worship or faithful service. But true worship is found in sharing these moments when we sense God's presence, and in celebrating those moments together with joy. Let us worship God.

EARLY ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INVITATION TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Introspection* Richard Turvis

CHORAL INTROIT

Opening of the Bible Mary Evann Thornhill

CALL TO WORSHIP

Luke Thornhill

Leader: I come with joy to meet my Lord!

People: **We are forgiven, loved, and free!**

Leader: I come with Christians far and near to find a new community.

People: **A community of love, a community of joy! In grace we are called into community.**

Leader: It is with joy we meet our Lord, His presence always near.

People: **We will rejoice in this time of worship as we lift up our voice, give thanks and sing!**

HYMN NO. 262 *Rejoice, the Lord is King* DARWALL

THE CHILDREN'S TIME

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

YOUTH REPORT

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Numbers 6: 22-27

HYMN NO. 609 *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* SHOWALTER

LITANY OF CONFESSION

Minister: God of compassion, we thank you that you forgive our sins and blot out our transgressions.

People: **Renew our hearts, O God.**

Minister: Teach us wisdom.

People: **Restore to us the JOY of our salvation.**

Minister: Fill us with joy and gladness.

People: **Let even our broken bones rejoice!**

MORNING PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON John 14: 15-19

ANTHEM *He Leadeth Me* Mary McDonald

RIVERDALE NARRATIVE *The Silver Amulet* Dr. Ray Howell III

HYMN NO. 505 *Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It* ADA

OFFERTORY PRAYER Greg Briggs

OFFERTORY *Soliloquy* Gordon Young

DOXOLOGY NO. 809 OLD HUNDREDTH

RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Marche Solennelle* Louis Niedermeyer

Today's Lay Reader is Kristi Thornhill.

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - organ

Sanctuary Choir

The Deacons of the Week are Jim Phillips and Hal Routh.

Financial Statements

Year end statements are ready and are placed on a table in the hallway outside the conference room. If you have questions or concerns call Sherri 249-9158 ext. 103 or email sherri@fbclx.org. She is in the office Monday thru Thursdays 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Street Closing

The City of Lexington has informed the church weather permitting on Monday February 24, they will be closing the street off at West Third Avenue at Hargrave Street and West Fourth Avenue at Hargrave Street.

The work is expected to take one week with weather cooperation. The apologize for any inconvenience to the congregation.

Announcements

Sunday, 2/23

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry	Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	Middle & High School Youth	Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m.	Deacons' Meeting	Parlor

Monday 2/24

5:30 p.m.	Hand Bell Rehearsal	Music Suite
7:00 p.m.	Winter Bible Study	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, 2/25

10:30 a.m.	Winter Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
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Wednesday, 2/26

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Singers	Music Suite
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Child Care Babies	Nursery

(inform church if you need childcare)

5:15 - 6:15 p.m.	*Dinner (children eat first)	Fellowship Hall
5:45 - 6:30 p.m.	GA's (Grades 1st thru 5th)	Room 212
	RA's	Room 202
	Mission Friends	Room 225
	Acteens	Room 206

6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	Joyful Singers (Age 4 - 1st Grade)	Room 206
	Chancel Choristers (Grades 2 - 5)	Music Suite
	Middle & High School Youth	The ATTIC
	Bible Study/Church Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Music Suite

*Menu: Beef Tips over Rice, Gingered Carrots, Slaw, Salad Bar, Dessert

Children: Chicken Tenders

RSVP by noon Monday

Extended Sessions:

February 23: Bed Babies: Margaret Ann Maddox & Kelly Mitcham

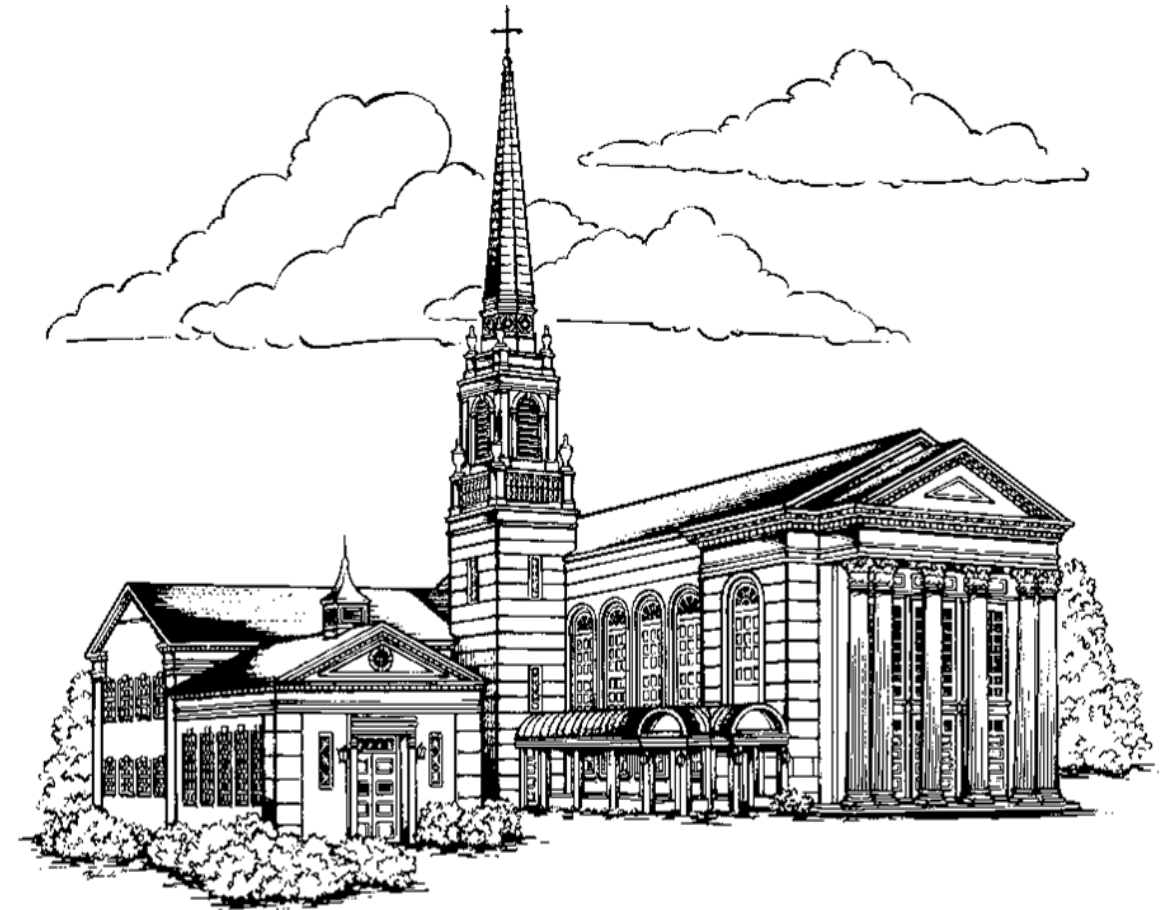
Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: Sandra Blackwelder & Crystal Alexander

3 & 4 Year Olds: Brenda Sprinkle, Casey White & Courtney Sams

March 2: Bed Babies: Jen Fuller Allen & Brooke Williams

Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Kevin Brown **3 & 4 Year Olds:** M/M Josh Boyle

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