# The Worship of God

January 17, 2016

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

THE GATHERING

"Forgiveness is the final form of love."

Reinhold Niebuhr

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE Intrada John Marsh

CHORAL INTROIT The Savior's Wondrous Love Freeman

Opening of the Bible Alex Ortiz

CALL TO WORSHIP Spencer Hall

Leader: We gather to worship God in this space

People: For we are brothers and sisters in Christ.

Leader: We gather to pray and praise, to reflect and wonder

People: We gather to remember our call to love one another as God loves us.

Leader: We are part of the family of God

People: We are called to see each other as Christ sees us.

Leader: Come, let us worship together

People: Let us worship God who loves us all!

HYMN NO. 130 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing AZMON

Lighting the Christ Candle

THE CHILDREN'S TIME

CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 1: 16-18

HYMN NO. 471 Nothing but the Blood of Jesus PLAINFIELD

CALL TO CONFESSION

Minister: We are far from being righteous Lord.

People: We confess that we can come to you only as sinners.

Minister: Forgive us of our sinful nature that often leads to estrangement with others.

People: Forgive us of our sinful nature that leads to estrangement with you.

Minister: Accept us, sinful as we are and restore our relationship with you.

People: And as forgiven sinners, may we restore our relationships with others.

MORNING PRAYER

| GOSPEL LESSON      |                                  | Matthew 9: 1-8     |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| ANTHEM             | Beautiful Savior                 | Fettke             |
| Narrative          | The Final Form of Love           | Dr. Ray Howell III |
| Hymn No. 451       | Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy | ARISE              |
| Offertory Prayer   |                                  | Lane Gilliam       |
| Offertory          | In Thee Alone, O Christ, My Lord | Johann Pachelbel   |
| Doxology No. 809   |                                  | OLD HUNDREDTH      |
| CHORAL BENEDICTION | Grant Us the Joy                 | Freeman            |
| Postlude           | Postlude                         | Andrew Fletcher    |

Today's Lay Reader is Betty Jane Honeycutt.

Musicians for today's service

Beverly Khemlani - organ

Sanctuary Choir

First Baptist Office and MBCC will be closed Monday for MLK Holiday

Financial Statements are on the hall table between the Sanctuary and Chapel

Community MLK Service Union Baptist Church - 7:00 p.m. Monday

# Soup & Sandwich Lunch & Bake Sale Sunday, January 24

Our annual Soup and Sandwich lunch is scheduled for next Sunday. Joyce is making her homemade vegetable soup and you will have a choice of a Conrad and Hinkle Pimento Cheese or a PBJ sandwich. Jane Blackerby is coordinating a delicious bake sale. Tickets are \$7.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children 12 and under with a \$25.00 family limit. The final day to purchase tickets will be Wednesday.

## 26th Annual Birthday Banquet

Wednesday, February 3 - 5:45 p.m. - Fellowship Hall Adults: \$6.00 Children 12 and under \$4.00 Family Limit \$20.00

Tickets are now on sale.

#### Entertainment: The Bahama Mamas Steel Drum Band

Menu: Chicken Marsala, Creamed Spinach, New Potatoes, Spring Greens and Mandarin

Orange Salad with Poppy Seed Dressing, Croissant, Cake/Ice Cream

Children: Chicken Tenders

### Junior/Senior Chili Supper Saturday, February 6 - 5:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

Call Sharon Palmer (798-1369) if you plan to attend and side dish you plan to bring.

#### MBCC Fundraiser - Valentine Luncheon

Friday, February 12 - 12:00 - 1:00 p. m. - FBC Fellowship Hall

Ham or Turkey Sandwich, Potato or Pasta Salad, Fruit Cup, Tea and Dessert Cost: \$10.00 Adults \$5.00 Children

Tickets are on sale now for the annual MBCC Valentine luncheon fundraiser. Silent Auction for Baskets opens Sunday, February 7 through Lunch Friday February 12.

#### Week's Schedule

| Sunday, 1/17     |   |                 |
|------------------|---|-----------------|
| 9:00 a.m.        | Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry                    | Conference Room |
| 9:00 a.m.        | Finance Committee Meeting                         | Parlor          |
| 9:30 a.m.        | Morning Coffee Gathering                          | 2nd Floor Lobby |
| Wednesday, 1/20  |   |                 |
| 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. | Senior Adult Choir Rehearsal                      | Music Suite     |
| 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. | Childcare Babies                                  | Nursery         |
|                  | (Please inform the church if you need child care) |                 |
| 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. | *Dinner (children eat first)                      | Fellowship Hall |
| 5:45 - 6:30 p.m. | GA's (Grades 1 thru 5)                            | Room 212        |
|                  | RA's (need leadership)                            | Room 202        |
|                  | Mission Friends                                   | Room 225        |
|                  | Acteens   | Room 226        |
| 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. | Joyful Singers (Age 4 thru 1st Grade)             | Room 206        |
|                  | Chancel Choristers (Grades 2 thru 5)              | Music Suite     |
|                  | Church Fellowship/FaithHealth                     | Fellowship Hall |
|                  | New Chaplain - Dianne Horton                      |                 |
| 7:30 p.m.        | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal                         | Music Suite     |

\*Menu: Breakfast Bar RSVP by noon Monday

#### **Extended Sessions:**

January 17 Bed Babies: Savannah Kepley & Whitney Brooks Toddlers & 2 Year Olds: M/M Cory Kehl 3 & 4 Year Olds: Catherine Pyle & Adriana Ortiz

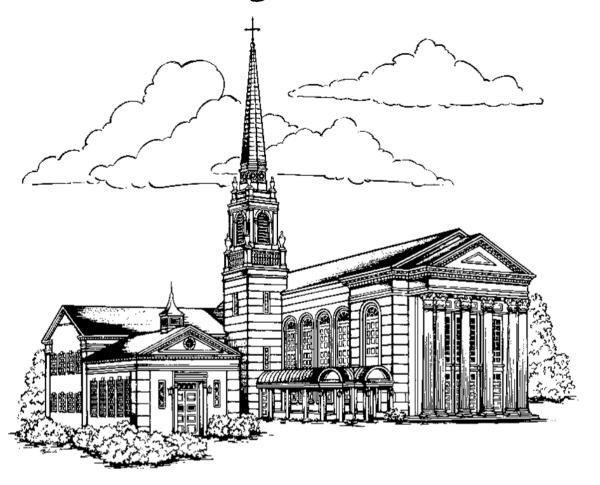
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