



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
FEBRUARY 12, 2023
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
FBC SANCTUARY
11:00 A.M.



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Bread takes the effort of kneading but also requires sitting quietly while the dough rises with a power all its own.
-David Richo

Gathering Music

Exalt Him with Song

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Prelude

"Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven"

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LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Call to Worship

Leader: We live not by bread alone

People: but also by every word you speak.

Leader: Entering your story sometimes feels like biting off more than we can chew,

People: yet we come back for more, as there's nothing more beautiful or satisfying than the feast you lay before us.

Leader: Open your stories to us today, and give us ears to hear,

People: that we may come in and see your world anew, and find our place, shining like the sun in your kingdom.

Leader: Let us worship God.

* Hymn of Praise (CONGR 306)

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

MADRID

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you!

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

If able, please text or message someone from the congregation and share with them the sign of peace.

* Responding in Peace (CONG 308 v.1)

"Alleluia, Praise the Lord"

ALELUYA Y'IN OLUWA

Alleluia, praise the Lord. Alleluia, praise the Lord. Praises, high praises, now bring to the Lord. Alleluia, praise the Lord. (x2)

Children's Sermon

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer

"Let Your Kingdom Come"

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** In-person worshippers are invited to stand as able*

Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Unison Discipline of Confession

O God the master baker, you have mixed and kneaded and waited to see your love rise and fill out in your Body. We confess that we have often tried to remain separate, not realizing that love kept for ourselves can never grow. Forgive us for misunderstanding our purpose. Small or even invisible though we may feel, in your hand amazing things happen. Open us to your possibility and help us to bear fruit for your kingdom of heaven come on earth.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: God has forgiven your sins through Jesus Christ; go and love one another.

Morning Prayer and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Call to Stewardship (CONG 372 v.1)

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"
ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

"It Is Well With My Soul"

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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

(Those wishing to attend Children's Church may leave now)

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

* Gospel Reading

Matthew 13.33-35

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Cristina Adams
"Baking Bread"

* Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 638)

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"
LIFT EVERY VOICE

Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

“Jubilate”

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Flowers on the altar this morning are given for the greater glory of God by Verlin Gilbert in memory of Suzanne Gilbert

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Scout Troops #60 & #6060

Greeters: Lilly Schmitz and Ardis Smith

Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen

Livestream Video Crew: Jim Lord, Steve Yoder Sound: Glenn Prescott

YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Jenny Purvis Welcome Table: Steve & Sally Heilman

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: Lawrence Seventh-Day Adventist

American Baptist Churches, USA; Region Exe. Min. Rev. Dr. James E. McJunkin, Jr., serving churches in the
Philadelphia Baptist Association area

International Ministries Missionaries: Carlos Bonilla & Mayra Giovanetti, serving in Iberoamerica and The Caribbean

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Every member of First Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry.
The following persons have been called by this congregation to empower such ministry:

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