



*"Healing of a Woman with an Issue of Blood," (German, about 1400-1410)  
J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA*

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 28, 2024  
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP  
FBC SANCTUARY  
11:00 A.M.



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*Everyone wants a revolution. No one wants to do the dishes....The kind of spiritual life and disciplines needed to sustain the Christian life are quiet, repetitive, and ordinary. I often want to skip the boring, daily stuff to get to the thrill of an edgy faith. But it's in the dailiness of the Christian faith – the making the bed, the doing the dishes, the praying for our enemies, the reading the Bible, the quiet, the small – that God's transformation takes root and grows.*

*-Tish Harrison Warren*

Gathering Music

"Wondrous Love" (Medley)

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Welcome and Lighting the Christ Candle

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Prelude

"Times Like These"

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\* Call to Worship

Joanna Gillette

One: Come, bring your burdens, your hopes, your last-ditch efforts, your pain, your longing.

**All: We come seeking God's compassion, present in Christ.**

One: Whoever you are, whatever positions you hold, whatever experience life has brought you,

**All: we come seeking healing, restoration, peace, grace.**

One: Trusting in what Jesus can do,

**All: we come seeking the One who gives life.**

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

\* Hymn of Gathering (CONGR 159)

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

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CRUSADERS' HYMN (ST. ELIZABETH)

\* 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 155)

"We Are Singing, for the Lord Is Our Light"

SIYAHAMBA

**We are singing, for the Lord is our light, We are singing, for the Lord is our light.**

**We are singing, for the Lord is our light, We are singing for the Lord is our light.**

**We are singing, (singing, we are singing) Oh, we are singing for the Lord is our light.**

**We are singing, (singing, we are singing), Oh, we are singing for the Lord is our light.**

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

Psalm Reading

Joanna Gillette

Psalm 131

Children's Sermon

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Call to Prayer

"How Can I Keep from Singing?"

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Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Unison Discipline of Confession

**God of restoration and wholeness, you are the One who brings life. We confess we want immediate healing for ourselves and our loved ones. We confess we have offered platitudes and cliches instead of comfort and companionship. Forgive us, Lord, for our hard hearts. Forgive us for perpetuating the isolation of illness, and the stigma that prevents people seeking help. Forgive us, and restore us to wholeness – the kind that seeks the good of all your people together, that reaches out with kind hands and an open heart. We ask in the name Christ whose healing power is for all.**

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*This is the word of the Lord: in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven by God and given new life.*

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.**

Prayer Response (CONGR 404, vs. 3)

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

NEED

**I need Thee every hour, in joy or in pain; come quickly and abide, or life is vain.**

**Refrain: I need Thee, O I need Thee; every hour I need Thee!**

**O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.**

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

God at Work: What FBC Means to Me

Offertory

"Nocturne in F"

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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

Mark 5.21-43

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

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## People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant  
"Interrupted by Trust"

\*Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 438)

"O the Deep, Deep, Love of Jesus"  
EBENEZER

\*Life of the Church

\*Benediction

Postlude

"St. Petersburg Hymn"  
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*The flowers on the altar this morning are given for the greater glory of God by:  
The memorial fund of Marianne Cannavale*

### TODAY IN WORSHIP

*Liturgist: Joanna Gillette*

*Director of Worship Music and Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson*

*Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen*

*Livestream Video Crew: Brenda Schenkel, Susan Pauls      Sound: Glenn Prescott*

*YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Hannes Combest*

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

*Local Church: River City Church*

*ABC, USA; Region Exe. Min. Rev. David Gregg, serving churches in Metro Chicago*

*International Ministries Missionary: David Sagar, serving in India*

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