First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

February 12, 2023

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany "Love Your Church Sunday" February 12, 2023

Morning Worship

Eleven o'clock

Please stand as you are able.

Greeting Dr. Wayne Brown

Prelude Mrs. Patricia Slomanski George Frideric Handel Largo

arr. Diane Bish (from Xerxes)

Invocation Dr. Brown

* Hymn of Praise, No. 208

BEECHER

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Call to Worship Romans 1:14a, 16-17; 12:1-2 Congregation

Leader: I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the

foolish.

People: For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation

to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also the Greek.

Leader: For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith, as it

is written, "The one who is righteous will live by faith."

People: I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God,

which is your spiritual worship.

Leader: Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of

People: so that you may discern what is the will of God-what is good and accept-

able and perfect.

* Offertory Hymn, No. 423

THE GIFT OF LOVE

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire

* Offertory Prayer

Mrs. Betty Jo Prevatte

Offertory Mrs. Slomanski

I Need Thee Every Hour

Albin Whitworth

* Offertory Response

Doxology

OLD 100TH (altered)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

We invite children to come forward for the Children's Sermon at the conclusion of the Doxology. Afterward, children under the age of seven are welcome to attend Children's Church, or they may return to their seat and worship with the congregation.

Children's Sermon

Rev. Eddie Fort

Pastoral Prayer

Dr. Brown

Worship Through Song

Chancel Choir, Bridger Warlick, Soloist Love Is Little arr. Mark Schweizer

(Shaker Hymn, 1834)

Love is little, Love is silent, Love is low, Love is strong,

Love will make our spirits grow; Love will sing a quiet song;

Sing of peace, Sing of light, Grow in peace, Grow in light; Love will do the thing that's right.

Love will do the thing that's right.

Love is gentle, Love is wonder, Love is small,

Love is grace, Love will bind all in its place; Love will find the best of all;

Find the peace, Find the light, Bind the peace, Bind the light,

Love will do the thing that's right. Love will do the thing that's right.

Scripture Reading John 3:13-21 Dr. Brown

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Sermon Love Dr. Brown

* Hymn of Commitment, No. 354 ST. THOMAS

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

Exchanging of Our "Hearts"

* Benediction Dr. Brown

* Postlude Mrs. Slomanski George Frideric Handel March (from Occasional Oratorio)



The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of their three granddaughters, Millie and Mary Matthews and Hampton Skidmore, by Terri and Coburn Powell.

208 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



This tune in a lower key, No. 470. Alternate tune HYFRYDOL, No. 36.

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UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday, February 12 Sunday School Morning Worship—WMU Week of Prayer
3:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
4:00 p.m.	Monday, February 13 Children's Music Activity
6:30 p.m.	<u>Wednesday, February 15</u> Prayer Meeting
6:00 p.m.	Thursday, February 16 Bible Study coordinated by Willis & Sue Pinnell and Robert & Kris Clyburn
9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday, February 19 Sunday School Morning Worship with Methodist University Chorale
9:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Monday, February 20 Finance Meeting Children's Music Activity
6:30 p.m.	Tuesday, February 21 Deacons' Meeting
6:30 p.m.	Wednesday, February 22 Ash Wednesday Service in the sanctuary
2/12 2/19 2/26 3/05	Deacons of the Week Merle Worley / Hilda Ray Genie Carter / Peggy Underwood Willis Pinnell / Glenn Waters Stephen Prince / Betty Jo Prevatte



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