

The Worship of God

Fayetteville First United Methodist Church
2nd Sunday After Epiphany | 11:00 AM | January 19, 2025

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Adagio from Sonata 2
Paul Hindemith

Nicholas Bowden
Director of Music & Organist

INTROIT

All That Hath Life and Breath
René Clausen

The Chancel Choir

All that hath life and breath, praise ye the Lord!
Shout to the Lord, Alleluia! Praise Him, Alleluia!

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Drew West
Minister of Families and Children

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 181

Ye Servants of God

HANOVER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Rev. West

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*universal UMH 881

*GLORIA PATRI

MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. West

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:
"The peace of Christ be with you." "And also with you."

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence
Associate Minister

Come, divine Interpreter,
Open our eyes to your truth, and our hearts to obey your word
that we may share in your glory and reign with you forever. Amen.

- Charles Wesley, 1762 (UMH 594) Adapted by Rev. Drew West

SCRIPTURE LESSON

I Corinthians 12:1-11

Dr. George McKelvy

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.
Thanks be to God.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

Rev. Lawrence

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

He Never Failed Me Yet

The Chancel Choir

Robert Ray

Tony Thompson, Baritone

Stephen Rotz, Piano; Harrison Morgan, Percussion

*I will sing of God's mercy, every day, every hour, He gives me power.
I will sing and give thanks to Thee for all the dangers, toils and snares that He has brought me out.
He is my God and I'll serve Him, no matter what the test.
Trust and never doubt, Jesus will surely bring you out, He never failed me yet.
I know God is able to deliver in time of storm.
I know that he'll keep you safe from all earthly harm.
One day when my weary soul is at rest, I'm going home to be forever blessed.
Trust and never doubt, Jesus will surely bring you out, He never failed me yet.
I will sing...
Didn't my God deliver Moses from King Pharaoh?
And didn't He cool the fiery furnace for Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?
When I think of what my God can do, He delivered Daniel, and I know He will deliver you.
Trust and never doubt, Jesus will surely bring you out. He never failed me yet!
I will sing...*

*DOXOLOGY

OLD 100th

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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. West

Children ages 4 years through 2nd grade are invited to attend Wonders of Worship in Room B225.

Younger children are invited to attend with a parent.

Children 3rd grade and older are encouraged to stay in the sanctuary for the service.

The nursery is available for infants through 3 years.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 2:1-11

Rev. West

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Best Ahead"

The Rev. Kaylen Short
Senior Minister

*HYMN 519

Lift Every Voice and Sing

LIFT EVERY VOICE

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Short

*CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
Peter J. Lutkin

The Chancel Choir

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord lift his countenance upon you and give peace.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. Amen.

*POSTLUDE

Improvisation on OLD 100th
Fred Bock

Mr. Bowden

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Van Askew
Nancy Byers
Richard Clayton
Karen Davis

Robbie Gray
Martha Hale
Tangie Hubbard
Jerry Light

Bettina McDowell
Ron McDowell
Ingrid Shields
Brenda Tierman

James Watkins
Paul Wiley

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to honor our Fayetteville First church family and to glorify God who is working in our midst.

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Fridays, Saturdays 7 PM; Thursdays, 7:30 AM

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