

# The Worship of God

GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Zoom Conference (Meeting ID: 834 854 376 • Password: GPBC)

Third Sunday after Epiphany • January 23, 2022 • 10:30 AM

## GATHERING & REFLECTING IN SILENCE (10:20 AM)

*As we move into this time of reflection and preparation, you are invited to light a candle as a reminder that God is present with us now and always.*

## WELCOME (10:30 AM)

Sheryl Johnson

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Gordon Leathers

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God

**Many: May our worship reflect God's glory.**

One: The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

**Many: May we see each other as the handiwork of God.**

One: Let our prayer and praise, our singing and proclamation project the love of God.

**Many: We commune with Christians around the world, with Christians throughout time.**

One: With Christians across geography and across time,

**Many: Let us worship!**

## OPENING PRAYER

Dixie Leathers

## SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Nancy Williams

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (ALL)

**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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## ANTHEM

“There is a Balm in Gilead”  
The Moses Hogan Chorale

*arr. Hogan*

## SCRIPTURE

Luke 4:14-21

## SERMON

“A Shocking Claim”

Mark Biddle

## TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE

“Beautiful Savior”  
Fred Horn, Pianist

GERMAN HYMN

*Worship should change us. How might you put into practice this week what you have heard and seen this morning? During this time, you are invited to write down your response or share it with another household member to help you carry it with you beyond this hour of worship.*

## HYMN

“To God Be the Glory”

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

**To God be the glory, great things he hath done!**

**So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,**

**who yielded his life an atonement for sin,**

**and opened the life gate that all may go in.**

**Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,**

**and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;**

**but purer, and higher, and greater will be**

**our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.**

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*Refrain:* **Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!**

**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!**

**Oh, come to the Father, thru Jesus the Son,**

**and give him the glory, great things he hath done.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BENEDICTION

## DISMISSAL

One: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and one another.

**Many: Thanks be to God!**

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### CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING JANUARY 23

Our next regularly scheduled business meeting will take place today, January 23, 2022 following the worship service (approximately 11:30am). We will give final approval to our 2022 Ministry Plan (i.e., budget) and hear reports from our boards and committees. Please make plans to attend. Meeting ID: 834 854 376 Passcode: GPBC

### OREGON HILL CLOTHES CLOSET NEEDS

Our partners at Oregon Hill Baptist Center are requesting help with items for their homeless clothes closet. They are in need of **gently used** warm clothing items for men and women. We would like to collect items during the month of January with plans to deliver the items the first week of February. You can find more detail about specific items they most need as well as how items are being collected in [Katherine's Realm post](#).

### WEEKEND BACKPACK UPDATE

We have our monthly coordinators to complete the 2021 – 2022 School year! Thank you! AND, we have backups that have backups!!! So, if any team runs into a problem, let Dixie know and we will assist! (PS...a week ahead ...or even 2-weeks' notice is a very good thing!) And everybody, don't forget to keep collecting those handled paper grocery bags.

### PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE REMINDER

The committee continues to solicit feedback by adding new questions for you to respond to. You can respond online at <https://bit.ly/gpbcpastorsearch> – feel free to skip over questions you've already answered or contribute additional thoughts.

### THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Thursday morning Bible study continues their weekly gatherings on Zoom - not in person – through at least the rest of this month. They will reassess at the end of January and hope to go back to in-person meetings in February. All are welcome! Meeting ID: 958 5194 0358 Passcode: Theophilus

### PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB

It's right around the corner! Get reading! The book we are reading is *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig. We will meet to discuss this book on February 6 at 4pm on Zoom. Meeting ID: 856 6687 9800 Passcode: 543736

### RESHAPING CHURCH IN A VOLATILE WORLD: CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP COLLECTIVE

GPBC is familiar with the good work Mark Tidsworth does through Pinnacle Leadership Associates. Their next offering takes place February – June and invites congregational leaders – which all of us are – to explore how churches respond to volatile times. The collective includes monthly online seminars (live or recorded) as well as small group coaching with other congregations' leaders. Each participant receives a copy of the book *ReShape: Exploring Church Practice in a Volatile World*. More details are available on Realm. Contact Sheryl if you are interested. There is no cost to participants and no limit to the number of people we can send.

### COLLECT THOSE TAB TOPS!

Save your tab tops from drink cans as well as from vegetable and meat cans to support Ronald McDonald House. Believe it or not, the Ronald McDonald House is able to pay its utility bills by recycling tab tops from several churches for cash! Collection bins will be waiting when we return to in-person worship.

### METRO RICHMOND AT PRAYER

Since March 2006, more than 470 churches in Metropolitan Richmond have joined in covenant to pray together weekly for the 1.2 million people who live in metro Richmond. GPBC has joined in this Covenant of Prayer, which began its fifteenth year on March 1, 2021. You can learn more and read the weekly prayers at [www.metroprayrva.org](http://www.metroprayrva.org).

During January, we pray to overcome in Christ's name the heritage of racism in Metropolitan Richmond. For the week of January 23, **we pray to overcome ignorance, indifference, resentment, and bitterness with regard to race in both private and public life.**