

The Worship of God

GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany • February 6, 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 & ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:30 AM)

Sheryl Johnson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Paul Irwin

One: It is by grace that we are who we are:

Many: people who are called by Jesus, yet fearful to follow.

One: It is by God's grace that we can become followers:

Many: people who are fearful, yet gifted with courage beyond wonder.

One: It is with God's grace that we become who we might be:

Many: people who step out in faith, sharing the good news generously.

OPENING PRAYER

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Sandy Rogers

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

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

arr. Ferguson

The St. Olaf Choir

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 6:1-8, (9-13)

SERMON

"Yes, Verses 9-13!"

Mark Biddle

HYMN

"Here I Am, Lord"

HERE I AM, LORD

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE "Open My Eyes with Be Thou My Vision"

arr. Hayes

Fred Horn, Pianist

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.

SENDING

One: Filled with God's grace, we will go,

Many: to share hope with those in despair, to befriend the lonely and afraid.

One: Filled with God's grace, we will follow Jesus,

Many: to offer justice to those forgotten by the world, to embrace those filled with grief and loss.

One: Filled with God's grace, we are empowered by the Spirit,

Many: to bring peace into all the brokenness around us, to walk in faith beside our sisters, brothers, and siblings.

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

Many: Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALLED BUSINESS MEETING FEBRUARY 20, 2022

The Board of Deacons is working towards identifying an interim pastoral associate to take on the duties that Sheryl has been performing. Per our Standard Operating Procedures, ministerial associates are to be confirmed by consensus of the church body present at a business meeting called for that purpose. Please mark your calendar for a called meeting on February 20 and plan to stay a few minutes following the worship service for this one agenda item.

CONSIDER YOUR 2022 PLEDGE

In the upcoming weeks, we are asking all households to consider what financial gifts they will make to our 2022 Ministry Plan. As we embark on this new “unconventional” budget, it is as important as ever that we have an idea of what to expect to receive in tithes and offerings. Please consider what you hope to donate this year and then please consider communicating that amount as a pledge. You can submit a pledge online (www.onrealm.org/GinterParkBC/AddPledge/ministryplan); by email to our financial secretary, Karen (finance@ginterparkbc.org); or by placing a pledge card in the offering plate once we return to in-person worship.

PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE REMINDER

The committee continues to solicit feedback by adding new questions for you to respond to. You can respond online at www.bit.ly/gpbcpastorsearch – the most recent questions are given first, but you can also answer previous questions for the first time or contribute additional thoughts.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Thursday morning Bible study continues their weekly gatherings on Zoom this week. All are welcome! The group gathers at 10:00. Meeting ID: 958 5194 0358 Passcode: Theophilus

PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB

It is happening!! The book 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

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.

During February, we pray for the coming of God’s realm in Metropolitan Richmond. For the week of February 6, **we pray for a spirit of unity and cooperation among all people in all jurisdictions; to earnestly seek the common welfare of this metropolitan city; to express compassion and care for our natural environment.**

HYMN LYRICS

I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save
I who made the stars of night
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send? [Refrain]

I, the Lord of snow and rain
I have borne my people’s pain
I have wept for love of them
They turn away
I will break their hearts of stone
Give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my words to them
Whom shall I send? [Refrain]

I, the Lord of wind and flame
I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them
My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide
‘Til their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send? [Refrain]

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord if You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart