

# The Worship of God

GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany • February 13, 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: Blessed are those who trust God, whose trust is the Lord.

**Many: They are like trees planted by water, sending out roots by the stream.**

One: They have no fear of summer's heat, nor do they wither in the sun.

**Many: In the year of drought they are not anxious, for their lives bear the fruit of righteousness.**

One: Come to the waters of life all you who trust in the Lord.

**Many: We have come to worship and to send forth our roots into streams of God's living water!**

## OPENING PRAYER

Dixie Leathers

## SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Sheryl Johnson

## 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

"Mystery of Years"

The Lorenz Singers

*arr. Forrest*

## SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:17-26

## SERMON

"Happiness Isn't the Objective"

Mark Biddle

## TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE

"There Is a Redeemer"

Fred Horn, Pianist

*arr. Keveren*

*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

"Marching to Zion"

MARCHING TO ZION

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BENEDICTION

## SENDING

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

**Many: Thanks be to God!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MONTHLY CHURCH-WIDE CHECK-IN FEBRUARY 13 @ 9:45 AM

Today is the second Sunday of the month and while we are still only on Zoom, the invitation is made for folks to come into the Zoom room a little early (starting at 9:45am) to share and listen to what's happening on various fronts in the church (e.g., pastor search committee, calling of an interim associate pastor) as well as our own lives. All are welcome!

### CALLED BUSINESS MEETING FEBRUARY 20

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

Many thanks to all who have made their 2022 pledge. Nearly \$41,000 has already been promised! Besides our goal of \$70,000, we hope to increase the number of households who make pledges. If you have never made a pledge before, we hope this might be the year you start! You can submit a pledge online ([www.onrealm.org/GinterParkBC/AddPledge/ministryplan](http://www.onrealm.org/GinterParkBC/AddPledge/ministryplan)); by email to our financial secretary, Karen ([finance@ginterparkbc.org](mailto:finance@ginterparkbc.org)); or by placing a pledge card in the offering plate once we return to in-person worship. We hope to receive these by February 20. As we embark on this new "unconventional" budget journey, your pledge – no matter what size – is in part a statement of trust that God is still ready to use Ginter Park Baptist and we are ready to respond!

### 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](http://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

### 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 February, we pray for the coming of God's realm in Metropolitan Richmond. For the week of February 13, **we pray for healthy economic development, which enhances the Metropolitan community, employs the unemployed, and contributes to the common good.**

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### HYMN LYRICS

Come, we that love the Lord,  
and let our joys be known;  
join in a song of sweet accord (x2),  
and thus surround the throne (x2).

*Refrain:*

We're marching to Zion,  
beautiful, beautiful Zion;  
we're marching upward to Zion,  
the beautiful city of God

Let those refuse to sing  
who never knew our God;  
but children of the heavenly King (x2),  
may speak their joys abroad (x2).  
*[Refrain]*

The hill of Zion yields  
a thousand sacred sweets  
before we reach the heavenly fields (x2),  
or walk the golden streets (x2).  
*[Refrain]*

Then let our songs abound,  
and every tear be dry;  
we're marching through Emmanuel's  
ground (x2),  
to fairer worlds on high (x2).  
*[Refrain]*

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