

The Worship of God

GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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Sixth Sunday After Epiphany • February 12, 2023 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

CHIMING THE TRINITY

Ruth Caudill

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sandra Polaski

One: God of salvation's joy, we gather to celebrate and revere you.

Many: We come, realizing that we are broken. Forgive and re-create us.

One: God of unfailing love, we gather to worship and honor you.

Many: We come, and because of your compassion, forgive and renew us.

One: God of new beginnings, we gather to praise and thank you.

Many: We come, and through your grace and mercy, forgive and restore us, so that with clean hearts we may truly worship you. Amen.

INVOCATION PRAYER

HYMN No. 500

“God Made from One Blood”

ST. DENIO

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Sandra Polaski

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.

HYMN No. 254

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

TRENTHAM

SCRIPTURE

[Matthew 5:21-24](#)

Anita Laffoon

SERMON

“Hard to Say I'm Sorry”

Anita Laffoon

TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE “Kum ba Yah with Hard to Say I'm Sorry”

Arr. Horn

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

HYMN No. 433

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

DENNIS

BENEDICTION

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ is with you.

Many: **And also with you...**

Announcements

Metro Richmond at Prayer

During the week of February 12, we pray for the coming of God's realm in Metropolitan Richmond: For healthy economic development, which enhances the Metropolitan community, employs the unemployed, and contributes to the common good.

Worship isn't the same without you...

...and we'd love to have your help! We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings by leading the Call to Worship and the Prayers of the People, and to facilitate the Zoom room. Contact Anita to sign up (alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org)!

Study Opportunities

- Thursday mornings at 10am - the book of Acts
- Sunday mornings at 9am - *Do I Stay Christian?* By Brian McLaren
- Weeknight study begins soon! (time TBD) - *Wholehearted Faith* by Rachel Held Evans

Pancake Brunch

We're celebrating Shrove Tuesday a little early with a pancake brunch on Sunday, Feb 19th right after worship. Don't forget to sign up on Realm! Hope to see you there!

Ash Wednesday

The Ash Wednesday service will be at 6pm on February 22nd. Join us as we mark the beginning of Lent and our season of preparation for Easter.

Back Pack Update!

Keep bringing in those grocery bags!!! We are packing 36 double bags each week! If you have questions about the process let Dixie know! Contact information can be found on REALM.

Page Turners Book Club

A new book has been chosen! The book to read and discuss in February is "Remarkably Bright Creatures" by Shelby Van Pelt. We will meet at Dixie Leathers' house at 4pm on Feb 19th.

Hymn Texts

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God Made from One Blood

God made from one blood all the families of Earth. the circles of nurture that raised us from birth.
Companions who join us to walk through each stage of childhood and youth, adulthood and age.

We turn to you, God, with our thanks and our tears for all of the families we've known through the years,
the intimate networks on whom we depend, of parent and partner and roommate and friend.

We learn through our families how closeness and trust increase when our actions are loving and just.
Yet, families have also distorted their roles, mistreating their members and bruising their souls.

So, give, Lord, each family in conflict and storm a sense of Your wisdom and grace that transform
sharp anger to insight which strengthens the heart and makes clear the place where rebuilding can start.

Then, widen that wisdom and grace to include the races and viewpoints our families exclude.
'Til peace in each home bears and nurtures the bud of peace shared by all you have made from one blood.

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

When we are called to part, it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.