

The Worship of God

Fayetteville First United Methodist Church
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY | 11:00 AM | JANUARY 22, 2023

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Fairest Lord Jesus
arr. Cindy Berry

Mr. Justin Maxey
Director of Music & Organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 27:1, 4-6

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence and **People**
Associate Minister

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
One thing I asked of the Lord, that I will seek after:
to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord,
and to inquire in his temple.
For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent: he will set me high on a rock.
Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

*HYMN 617

I Come with Joy

DOVE OF PEACE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

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.

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*GLORIA PATRI

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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

Dr. Martin and **People**

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Lawrence and People

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

FIRST READING

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Rev. Lawrence

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.)

¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. ¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

MINISTRY MOMENT: SQUARE FOOT MINISTRY

Mr. Doug Higgins

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES, PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence

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.

*HYMN 358

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

REST

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Martin

OFFERTORY

The Lord is My Light
Frances Allitsen, arr. William Stickles

Chancel Choir

The Lord is my light, my light and my salvation,
Whom, then, shall I fear? Whom, then, shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life,
The Lord is the strength of my life;
Of whom then shall I be afraid?

Though an host of men were laid against me,
Yet shall not my heart be afraid;

And though there rose up war against me.
Yet will I put my trust in Him.

For, in the time of trouble,
He shall hide me in His tabernacle,
Yea, in the secret places of His dwelling shall He hide me,
And set me up upon a rock of stone.

The Lord is my light, my light and my salvation,
Whom, then, shall I fear? Whom, then, shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life,
The Lord is the strength of my life;
Of whom, then, shall I be afraid?
Of whom, then, shall I be afraid?

*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

Dr. Martin

Children ages 4 years through 2nd grade are invited to attend Wonders of Worship in Room B225.
Children 3rd grade and older are encouraged to stay in the sanctuary for the service.
The nursery is available for infants through 3 years.

*GOSPEL READING

Matthew 4:12-23

Rev. Lawrence

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." ¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Dr. Martin

*BENEDICTION

Dr. Martin

*May the peace of Christ go with you wherever He may send you.
May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.
May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.
May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our arms.*

*POSTLUDE

*"French Military March" from Suite Algerienne, Op. 60, MM.4
Camille Saint-Saëns, arr. Gayden Sikes*

Mr. Maxey

*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

Martha Hale
Don Harp
Tangie Hubbard
Cindy Jennings

Sara Johnston
Doris Kerlin
Claudia Rhodes
Tom Starling

Brenda Tierman
Helen Voyles
Mabel Wilbanks

In Memoriam
Stephanie Gill
January 18, 2023

Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with

Steve and Dian Nelson and Payton and Cayman Gill upon the death of Steve and Dian's daughter and Payton and Cayman's mother, Stephanie Gill, on January 18.

The flowers on the altar are presented to the glory of God

and in celebration of the 20th anniversary of Square Foot Ministry by The Board of Directors.

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