

Worship Notes

We extend a warm welcome to our guests this morning!

We are very happy that you are in worship with us. Your presence has made this day more meaningful!

If this is your first time at Millbrook Baptist, or if you are a regular visitor, please sign the lavender welcome card located in the pew card rack and include the requested information so that we may welcome you more personally and provide you with information about our church. You may fold the card and place it in the offering plate when passed, or hand it to an usher.

Epiphany and Its Message:

The primary message of Epiphany ("to make manifest") is the bold announcement of Jesus' divine mission to the world through his adoration by the magi, his baptism, his ministry, and his call to follow as disciples. On Transfiguration Sunday (February 10), the last Sunday after the Epiphany, questions about the origins and purpose of Jesus' ministry and the church's mission are answered by the awesome presence and voice of God, confirming that "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him" (Matthew 17:5). For us, this means we are called to cultivate and nurture a Christian community whose life together reveals that it is listening to Jesus.

Liturgical Color: Green

Green symbolizes life, growth, hope and the Christian life and is used in the Seasons after the Epiphany and after Pentecost, spans of time usually referred to as Ordinary Time.

Guest Proclaimer: Joi Williams

Our guest preacher is Joi Williams. Joi is a North Carolina native. She is a graduate of Meredith College and Duke Divinity School, and ordained in the United Church of Christ.

Today's Revised Common Lectionary Readings:

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18; Psalm 119:33-40; Matthew 5:38-48;
1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23

Children's Worship Leaders: Rebecca Hewitt-Newson and Katelyn McWhorter

Please return the Wee Worship Bags after today's worship service. Children are encouraged to take his/her drawings and papers home.

DVDs of the Worship Service:

DVDs are available on loan from the church library. If you'd like a personal copy, at no cost, please email or call the church office. There is also a link to sermons on the website.

Altar Flowers:

The 2016 Flower Calendar for the Altar flowers is now on the small bulletin board in the hallway intersection near the library. Arrangements are \$52.50. Please make your check payable to Millbrook Baptist Church with Altar Flowers in the memo line. Please fill out a dedication form which can be found on the table by the church office or at the welcome desk. You can place it in the offering plate or drop it off in the church office.

Calendar

Sunday, February 19th

Sunday School for All Ages	9:30 am - 10:30 am
Chancel Choir Gathering	10:30 am - 11:00 am
Worship Service	11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Tuesday, February 21st

Adult Bible Study (new attendees welcome!) <i>Meets in Kairos Classroom</i>	10:00 am
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Wednesday, February 22nd

Dorcas Sewing	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Family Dinner & Fellowship <i>Chicken Cacciatore, Roasted Vegetables, Salad Bar, Garlic Bread, Fruit Cobbler & Ice Cream</i>	5:30 pm - 6:15 pm
Wednesday Program: <i>Lenten Prayer Journal Workshop</i>	6:15 pm - 7:15 pm
Choir Rehearsal	7:15 pm - 8:45 pm

Deacon of the Week

If you are in need of prayer, comfort, or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact **Jonathan Babb (919) 336-4034**

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The Millbrook Mission



Millbrook Baptist Church shares God's love by being an open and inclusive community of faith, developing Christian disciples through spiritual growth, and serving the world through mission and ministry.

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February 19, 2017

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

We Worship Our Lord



Michael Torevell

The Good News Is Proclaimed To The Poor

*'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me to bring good
news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim
release to the captives and recovery of sight
to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to
proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'*

Luke 4:18-19

Please silence all cell phones and pagers during the worship service.
Please do not bring beverages into the sanctuary.

GATHERING

Ringing of the Hour

Greeting and Community Life

Rebecca Hewitt-Newson

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord in worship!

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Prelude

Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart

arr. Larson

Lighting of the Candles

Invocation

Cecil Greene

†Call to Worship

Come, foolish people; God is calling us.

The God of all time and space wants our attention.

Why are we called foolish in the church?

Does God think we are foolish people?

Have we embraced the world's talk and actions?

Have we turned away from God's expectations?

People call us foolish when we take faith seriously.

The world thinks us strange if we are different.

God says to us: You shall be holy because I am.

You shall be true and just, generous and loving.

How can God expect us to be perfect?

How can we help others if we don't fit in?¹

†Hymn 87

Arise, Your Light Is Come

FESTAL SONG

†Passing of the Peace

Andrea Dellinger Jones

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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.**

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;

for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever.

Amen.

Words of Assurance

PROCLAIMING

Hebrew Bible Lesson

Sami Stevens

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18 (*OT p.106)

This is the gift of Holy Scripture.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Invitation to Gather

Jesus Loves the Little Children

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.

Every color, every race, all are covered by God's grace.

Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Children's Message

Rebecca Hewitt-Newson

(Kindergarten-3rd Grade will go to the
2nd floor, Education Building for Children's Church.)

†Hymn 395

Open My Eyes, That I May See

SCOTT

Worship in Giving

†Offertory Prayer

Jonathan Babb

Offertory

Sweet Hour Of Prayer

arr. Hayes

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

(Signing of the Attendance Register may be done at this time.)

†Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the Trinity of Love.

Praise God, within, beside, above.

We praise You! We praise You!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Anthem

And This Is Love

Medema/Purifoy

†Gospel Lesson

Luke 4:16-30 (*NT p.61)

Jonathan Babb

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Spirit of the Lord is Upon Us

Joi Williams

Discipline of Reflection

(The Discipline of Reflection is a brief, quiet time for personal reflection.)

GOING FORTH

†Hymn of Response 490

HENDON

Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated

†Blessing

"We, the light of Christ, return to the world."

†Postlude

All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name

arr. Tornquist

* Pew Bible

† Please stand as you are able.

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or would like to make a public profession of faith,
we invite you to present yourself during the Hymn of Response.
The ministerial staff is available for consultation and would
welcome your inquiry.