

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.

Today's Revised Common Lectionary Readings:

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a; Psalm 19; Luke 4:14-21

Children's Worship:

Our preschoolers in the nursery will be learning about Jesus calling a few fishermen to be his disciples.

Today's Children's Church leaders are Brent Jones and Ryan Newson. The children (K-2) will be reading Luke 4:14-21 and learning about the good news Jesus proclaimed in the synagogue.

Wee Worship bags are available in the vestibule. Please return them after the worship service.

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.

Altar Flowers:

The 2015 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, January 24th

Children of Faith Parenting Workshop	8:45 am - 10:45 am
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
Youth Choir Rehearsal	12:15 pm
Handbells Rehearsal	3:00 pm

Tuesday, January 26th

Adult Bible Study (new attendees welcome!) <i>Meets in Covenant Classroom</i>	10:00 am
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Wednesday, January 27th

Dorcas Sewing	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Family Dinner & Fellowship <i>Roast Pork, Sweet Potatoes, Turnip Greens. Salad Bar, Corn Bread & Fruit Cobbler</i>	5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Wednesday Acts for All Ages	6:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Choir Rehearsal	7:10 pm - 8:45 pm

Sunday, January 31st

Children of Faith Parenting Workshop	8:45 am - 10:45 am
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Deacon of the Week

If you are in need of prayer, comfort, or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact **Carolyn McClendon (919) 247-4240**

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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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January 24, 2016

Third Sunday after Epiphany
We Worship Our Lord



Soichi Watanabe
We All are One in Jesus Christ

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:12-13

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

WELCOME

GATHERING

Ringing of the Hour

Greeting and Community Life

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord in worship!

Andrea Dellinger Jones

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Prelude

This Is My Father's World

Payne

Lighting of the Candles

Invocation

Joel Brothers

†Call to Worship

Let the ears of all people be attentive;

The heavens are telling the glory of God.

Everything around us proclaims God's handiwork.

Let us bow down and worship our Creator.

Day and night, God is at work among us.

We are drawn together into one body, the church.

As we commune with God, we know we need one other.

Let us honor the good to be found in all people.

Hear once again the laws and commandments.

Find them sure and right and true for all.

We weep and mourn our lack of faithfulness.

We seek true community in which all are honored.¹

†Hymn 467

How Great Thou Art

O STORE GUD

†Passing of the Peace

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Molly Shoulta

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

Psalter Lesson

Psalm 19 (*OT p.498)

Bethany Collins

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

Brent Jones

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

†Hymn 167

FOREST GREEN

God's Law is Perfect and Gives Life (Psalm 19:7-14)

(Note: The tune is different from that which appears in the hymnal.)

Worship in Giving

†Offertory Prayer

Carolyn McClendon

Offertory

Where He Leads Me

Berry

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

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

†Doxology

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Epistle Lesson

Carolyn McClendon

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a (*NT p.174)

This is the gift of Holy Scripture.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Many Gifts, One Spirit

Pote

Many gifts, one spirit, many songs, one voice. Many reasons, one promise, many questions, one choice. O God, we pray for unity, give guidance from above. In our differences unite us in the circle of your love. O God, remind us we are not alone. Though we move on different pathways, we are walking to your throne.

Help us learn to love each other, show us ways to understand. We are members of one family, growing strong by joining hands. O God, remind us we are not alone. Though we move on different pathways, we are walking to your throne. Take our many ways of working, blend the colors of each soul into the beauty of a rainbow. Give us life, Lord, make us whole.

Sermon

Andrea Dellinger Jones

No Community Like Christian Community

Discipline of Reflection

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

GOING FORTH

†Hymn of Response

O Christ, We Seek to Be

ST. CATHERINE

O Christ, whose church we seek to be, unite us in our ministry. That ear and eye and nose and hand may work as one, as God has planned Baptized into one body, we will seek for all true liberty.

We cannot say we have no need for ways that others work of lead. Their acts of simple modesty can help deaf hear and blind to see, While gifts that we acquire and use may celebrate and preach good news.

Apostles, prophets you appoint, and teachers, healers you anoint, Administrators, helpers find gifts greater than the human mind, When we accept your Spirit's power and let you use us every hour.

O Spirit of the Living God, direct our steps where Jesus trod. That all may use their gifts each day, providing joy along life's way. By word and deed to help and heal, fulfilling all that you reveal.²

†Prayer of Thanksgiving for *Hymns, Psalms & Spiritual Songs, 1990*

†Blessing

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

†Postlude

A Trumpet Fancy

Nelson

* Pew Bible

† Please stand as you are able.

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If you desire membership in our church, 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.