

THE CHURCH GATHERED FOR WORSHIP: Join Us!

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

The ringing bells signal a movement into liminal or transitional space – we are attuning our bodies to look beyond the ordinary toward the sacred. More keenly aware of God's presence, we are invited to gather together in reflective worship, celebrating God's goodness and listening for God's guidance.

RINGING OF THE HOUR

THE READING OF THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

WELCOME & WORK OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Jessica McDougald

SYMBOLS OF OUR FAITH

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

MOMENT OF MEDITATION

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Phil Mullinax,
Organ

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

† SONG OF FELLOWSHIP

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lord, the light of Your love is shining

In the midst of the darkness, shining

Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us

Set us free by the truth You now bring us

Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory

Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire

Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy

Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light

PRAISING GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-6

COMMUNITY PRAYER

CHILDREN'S INVITATION TO GATHER

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Jessica McDougald

† HYMN OF PRAISE

Fairest Lord Jesus

Hymn #159

OFFERTORY PRAYER

† Please stand as you are able to in body and spirit.

OFFERTORY *The First Noel*

MBC Sanctuary Choir

† DOXOLOGY

Fairhill

Praise God from whom all blessings flow:

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above ye heavenly host.

Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

SERMON *Following The Star*

Rev. Bob Stillerman

RESPONDING IN FAITH

INVITATION TO COMMUNITY

† HYMN OF INVITATION

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

Hymn #165

BENEDICTION

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† SONG OF RESPONSE

Go tell it on the mountain over the hills, and ev'rywhere;

Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

*While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night,
Behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. (Refrain)*

DEPARTING REFLECTION

We Three Kings

Phil Mullinax, Piano

MILLBROOK BAPTIST CHURCH



EPIPHANY SUNDAY

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“We cannot think of ourselves save as to some extent social beings. Hence, we cannot separate the idea of ourselves and our own good from our idea of others and their good.”

— John Dewey