

WORSHIP OF GOD – SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



Gathering

Musical Meditation

Great Is the Lord, R. Robinson, traditional American melody

Organ Prelude

Three Miniatures: *Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult* (Galilee), Wm. Jude

Chiming of the Hour

Setting the Table

Welcome Home

Call to Worship

- One: We gather for the worship of God. And we thank God on this day for the prophetic life and transformative labor of Martin Luther King Jr.
- Many: **Thanks be to God.**
- One: “Then God said, Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness...”
- Many: **“I look to a day when people will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.” [MLK, Jr.]**
- One: “I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts...”
- Many: **“Every man must decide whether he will walk in the light of creative altruism or in the darkness of destructive selfishness.” [MLK, Jr.]**
- One: “You have heard that it was said, “You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.”
- Many: **“Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into friend.” [MLK, Jr.]**
- One: “So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.”
- Many: **“The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at time of challenge and controversy.” [MLK, Jr.]**
- One: May God one day find us faithful toward justice where injustice prevails against the common bond of humanity.
- Many: **We pray that our hearts are inclined, our minds are enlightened, and our hands are outstretched. May it be so. May it be so.**

Music

Glorify Your Name, D. Atkins

*Morning Prayer

*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 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.

Children's Time

Special Music

Ombra Mai Fu, G. F. Handel

Gospel Lesson

John 1:43-51

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Giving Our Gifts to God

Music for Response

Entrance, K. Jenkins

Prayer of Dedication

Benediction

Postlude

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult (Galilee), J. Jones

Thank you to our musicians in today's service including: Danielle Romano, vocals; Samuel Baker, organ; David Labman, vocals, piano, director

Diaspora Announcements:

- ❖ Section Leader Singing Barriers are made possible through the *Susan Boulay Music Fund*.
- ❖ Prayer requests for this week may be texted to Rev. Brent Bowden (phone number is listed in the church directory) or you may share prayer requests by unmuting.
- ❖ The Corporate Annual Meeting of the First Baptist Church and Society will be held on Zoom – due to the pandemic - immediately following worship on January 31, 2021 (approximately 11 AM). The agenda will be: election of officers, chairpersons, trustees, appointment of delegates, and voting on the budget of 2021.
- ❖ We are now collecting for the American Baptist Church's Special offering to support Retired Ministers and Missionaries (RMMO).
- ❖ For all the latest church information, please check the Diaspora Times at www.rochesterfbc.org/diaspora.