

The First Baptist Church at Worship

3rd Sunday After the Epiphany

January 22, 2012

10:30 AM

The Gathering

THE PRELUDE R. Alan Kimbrough, Organist

(We gather for personal and corporate reflection and prayer.)

"Lord Jesus, Christ, Be Present Now" J. S. Bach; Paul Manz

"Abide, O Dearest Jesus" Paul Manz; Sigfrid Karg-Elert

In Praise to the Lord

CHORAL INTROIT Chancel Choir

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

*LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #698 *For the Healing of the Nations*

CWM RHONDDA

Fred Kaan was born in the Netherlands in 1929. Having lived through WWII and Nazi occupation he became a committed pacifist. As a Reformed preacher he began setting new words to traditional hymns that matched his sermons. Our processional hymn is one example.

*OPENING PRAYER Ryan Gade

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #120 *Emmanuel*

McGEE

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
His name is called Emmanuel;
God with us, revealed in us;
His name is called Emmanuel.**

*WELCOME & PASSING THE PEACE Dr. Rodney Kennedy

(Please register your attendance by filling out a yellow card from the pew rack and placing it in the offering bag this morning.)

We are invited to greet our nearest neighbors, extend our hand,
and greet one another in the name of Christ.

(Please be seated.)

RECOGNITION OF JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

Reading & Proclaiming God's Word

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Rev. Jim Earnest

Jonah 3:1-5, 10: The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an

exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

THE PSALTER LESSON Donna Miles Curry

Psalm 62:5-12: For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from him. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken. On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God. Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us. Those of low estate are but a breath, those of high estate are a delusion; in the balances they go up; they are together lighter than a breath. Put no confidence in extortion, and set no vain hopes on robbery; if riches increase, do not set your heart on them. Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this: that power belongs to God, and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord. For you repay to all according to their work.

*A MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE

John Harris
Dec. 1, 1941 – Dec. 13, 2011

George Finley
Oct. 13, 1928 – Jan. 2, 2012

*THE GOSPEL LESSON Donna Miles Curry

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord according to Mark.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ.

Mark 1:14-20: Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea--for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Glory be to you, O Lord.

*FELLOWSHIP HYMN *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

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Cesareo Gabarain was a Spanish Basque priest best known for writing liturgical music. He wrote our fellowship hymn in 1979 as a prayer asking God to guide us into lives of service.

**Lord, you have come to the lakeshore
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;
you only asked me to follow humbly.**

Refrain:

**O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,
and while smiling have spoken my name;
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;
by your side I will seek other seas.**

**You know so well my possessions;
my boat carries no gold and no weapons;
you will find there my nets and labor. (Refrain)**

**You need my hands, full of caring,
through my labors to give others rest,
and constant love that keeps on loving. (Refrain)**

**You, who have fished other oceans,
ever longed for by souls who are waiting,
my loving friend, so now you call me. (Refrain)**

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. C. Roland Marcus

(Children in preK-grade 4 will be led downstairs for Sunday School. Younger children preK-K will go to Room #4 and older children grades 1-4 will go to Room #3B. Parents should pick up their children after worship service.)

CALL TO PRAYER #385 *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*

WHELPTON

**Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord;
incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace.**

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. C. Roland Marcus

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts & Debtors)

ANTHEM Chancel Choir

Deep Waters Peter Choplin

THE SERMON Dr. Rodney Kennedy

"God Loves the City"

The Response of God's People

THE OFFERTORY R. Alan Kimbrough

"How Lovely Shines the Morning Star" Paul Manz

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #243 v.4 *Spirit of God...*

MORECAMBE

**Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love,
one holy passion filling all my frame;
the kindling of the heaven-descended Dove,
my heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER Donna Miles Curry

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

(Persons wishing to join First Baptist Church are invited to come forward while the organist plays the first verse of the recessional hymn. You may join First Baptist Church by confession of faith, transfer of letter, or statement of faith. The pastor will greet you as you come forward this morning.)

*RECESSIONAL HYMN #486 *Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult*
RESTORATION

Cecil Frances Alexander was one of Great Britain's best known hymn writers, especially of children's hymns. Our recessional hymn was written at her husband's request for a St. Andrew's day text. With non liturgical churches omitting the verse about St. Andrew, we are left with a wonderful text calling us to follow, serve, and love God.

*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL Dr. Rodney Kennedy

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION #514 *Christians, Let Us Go & Serve*
HOLY MANNA

**Christians, let us go and serve Him,
serve the One who gives us life.
Let us serve in love and power,
in the name of Jesus Christ.
Serve in love and serve in wisdom,
reaching all we know and see.
Christians, let us go and serve Him,
now and through eternity.**

*POSTLUDE R. Alan Kimbrough

"In Thee Is Gladness" J. S. Bach



At the close of today's service, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated in the Chapel, located in the Beaver Wing. Immediately following the Lord's Supper, a Service of Healing will be held in the Chapel. The service consists of prayers for healing and wholeness, with anointing and laying on of hands.

All are invited.



Worship Notes

The scripture lessons this morning describe two tales of responding to God's call. Jonah tries to avoid God and finds himself in the belly of a big fish, but leaves that fish after three days to proclaim a message of repentance to the city of Nineveh, as God had asked. In Mark, Jesus comes upon a group of fishermen, and he also calls them to leave their fish to follow him. They do, and become Jesus' disciples in proclaiming the kingdom of God. Our attention today is riveted on Jonah and the city. Nineveh was "an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across." A preacher and a church can be overwhelmed by such a city, disconnected from so many challenges. How does a church respond to the challenges of the city?

Welcome to All

Before Worship: Children arriving with parents or grandparents at the 9:00 Sunday School hour may go downstairs to Room 3 for activities. A reminder to parents and grandparents: please pick up your children no later than 10:15 to give everyone enough time to prepare for worship.

Visiting the church today? Here's an invitation! Please join the congregation for Coffee Fellowship immediately after the service. We hope you'll stop by the Visitor's Table, say hello, and meet a few members of First Baptist Church.

If you are visiting, **please register your attendance** on a yellow information card and fill in any needs or concerns you might have. Members are also asked to sign the information card. Prayer concerns or event registrations may be marked on these cards.

Childcare for infants and toddlers up to 3 years of age is available during worship and church school and is located in the West hallway. For your peace of mind, our nursery is equipped with a call-system that allows nursery caregivers to page our ushers should there be a need to contact the parents of an infant or toddler. Preschoolers are welcome to attend Children's Sunday School during morning worship at "Second Hour" (see below).

All children are invited to come forward for the **Children's Message**. Following the message the children will be led downstairs for **Sunday School**. Young children (preK-K) will go to Room #4 and children (grades 1-4) will go to Room #3B. Parents should pick up their children after worship service. If you have questions or comments, please speak with Rev. Jason Alspaugh.



Prayer for the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials and temptations, give them courage to face the perils which beset them, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Barbara Babb	Casey Holsopple	Don Rosenbeck
Margaret Barker	Dee Jackson	Dawn Smelser
Charles Blake	Jay Jett	Judy Smith
Mark Buonassissi	Joyce Johnson	Marion Stoner
Estie Clark	Wilma Landis	Peter Thomson
Jack Coggins	Jennifer Loxley	Mary Webster
Andy Collier	Patty Loxley	Wheeler Family
Lisa Collier	Rita Marcum	Nell Wildern
Carol Combs	Nickie McDonald	Warren Williams
Mary Coyer	Marilyn Sue Miller	Military Duty:
Lavanda Ferguson	Gloria Must	Brittany Kalbfleisch
Carrie Louese Ganger	Robert Paloncy	Jeffrey Kennedy
Jane Halliday	Phyllis Pfersich	Derrick McClain
Bill Harrell	Nancy Piatt	Chris West
Rosalie Hoffman	Harold Rose	Andy Wilson

Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)



(Please see insert for announcements.)

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"Jonah" by Albert Pinkham Ryder

Our Mission Statement:

To celebrate God's love as a community of believers in Jesus Christ through worship, education, fellowship, and outreach to others.

Dr. Rodney Wallace Kennedy, *Lead Pastor*
Rev. Jason Alspaugh, *Associate Pastor Children & Youth*
Rev. C. Roland Marcus, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. James Earnest, *Assistant Pastor of Visitation*
Ryan Gade, *Pastor Intern*
Ray Landis, *Music Director*
Gregory Land, *Organist*
R. Alan Kimbrough, *Organist*
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