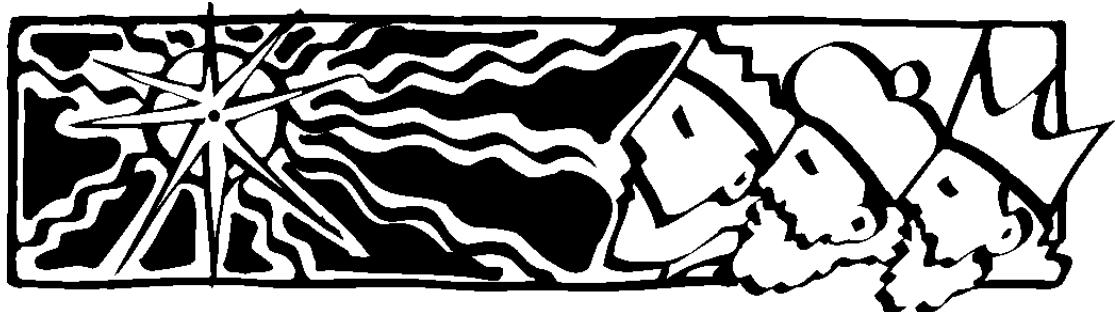




Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

February 15, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

Sixth
Sunday after
the Epiphany



PRELUDE

O Worship the King

M. Burkhardt

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

CHORAL INTROIT

Come and Fill

Taizé

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

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WORDS: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. Psalm 90

MUSIC: Attr. William Croft (1678-1727)

The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and 4/4 time, featuring a series of eighth and sixteenth note chords. The bottom staff is in bass clef and 4/4 time, featuring quarter note chords. The lyrics are aligned with the chords, with each line of text corresponding to a group of four chords.

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,
5 Time, like an ev - er roll - ing stream, bears all of us a - way;
6 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home.
 suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 we fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the op - ening day.
 be now our guide while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal home.

*INVOCATION AND 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.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
 and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Adapted from a prayer by Rev. Abi)*

God,
 we confess that we have trouble trusting you fully.
 We put our trust in human promises
 and then feel defeated when we are lost and things fall apart.
 Forgive us for not looking to you, but relying on our own wisdom.

Call us back to you, and help us put our trust in you.
 Let us hear your voice clearly as the disciples did at the transfiguration.
 Help us to rise up and not be afraid.
 Forgive us for wanting to find truth and light on our own,
 rather than trusting you to be our light in the darkness.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

R. Goodson

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and
Ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

FIRST READING

Exodus 24:12-18

Read from the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

ANTHEM

Jesus, on the Mountain Peak

M. Burkhardt

RESPONSIVE READING

One: Oh God of splendor, you revealed your truth on the mountain top.

Many: Open our eyes to your truth today.

One: Illuminate our worship with your radiance.

Many: Let our hearts recognize your presence in this place.

One: Eternal God, reveal to us your grandeur.

All: Grant us clarity, in Christ's glory.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

HOUSTON

WORDS and MUSIC: Kathleen Thomerson (1934-)

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The musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Both staves are in 3/4 time with a key signature of four flats. The music features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics are integrated into the music, with each line of text corresponding to a specific note or group of notes. The lyrics are as follows:

1 I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to fol-low
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God; I want to look at
3 I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ; I want to be with

Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the world; the
Je - sus. Clear Sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path, and
Je - sus. When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

star of my life is Je - sus.
show me the way to the Fa - ther. In him there is no dark-ness at
shall know the joy of Je - sus.

all; the night and the day are both a - like. The Lamb is the

light of the cit - y of God: Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF MEDITATION

Open Our Eyes

arr. D. Allen

1 O - pen our eyes, Lord, we want to see Je - sus,
2 O - pen our ears, Lord, and help us to lis - ten,

Bm Bm F#m7 D Gmaj7 1 Em A7sus A7 F#m A9 G
D

to reach out and touch him, and say that we love
to o - pen our eyes,

D 2 Em A7 A Bm A7 Em D

him. Lord, we want to see Je - sus.

SECOND READING

Matthew 17:1-9

Response to the reading: “**Thanks be to God**”

Read from the NRSV Bible

SERMON

Anne Bellamy

(Silence for personal reflection)

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Meditation on SALZBURG

D. Lasky

*New Doxology

M. Adria

Let's praise God for each good thing.

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three Persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

Sing of God Made Manifest

SALZBURG

WORDS: Carl P. Daw Jr. (1944-)

MUSIC: Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); arr. J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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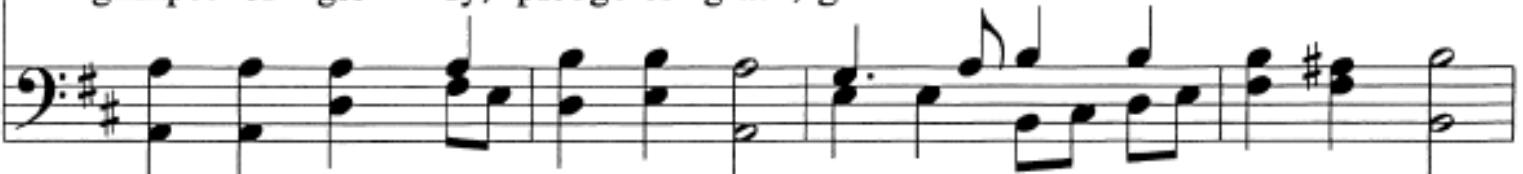
1 Sing of God made man-i - fest in a child ro - bust and blest,
2 Sing of God made man-i - fest when at Jor - dan John con-fessed,
3 Sing of God made man-i - fest when Christ came as wed - ding guest
4 Sing of God made man-i - fest on the cloud-capped moun-tain's crest.



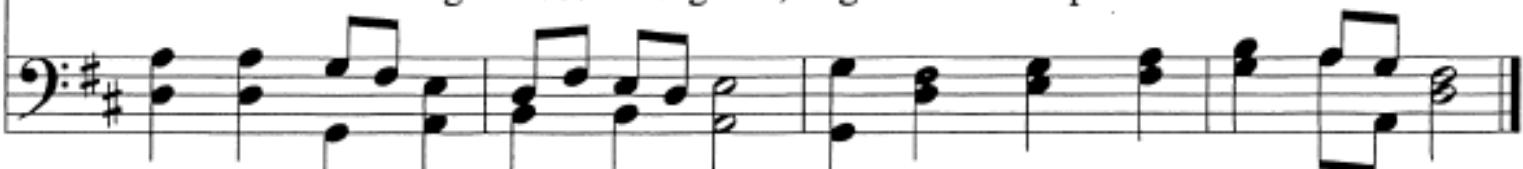
to whose home in Beth - le - hem where a star had guid-ed them,
"I should be bap - tized by you, but your bid - ding I will do."
and at Ca - na gave a sign, turn - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
where the law and proph - ets waned so that Christ a - lone re-mained:



Ma - gi came and gifts un-bound, signs mys-te - rious and pro-found:
Then from heaven a dou - ble sign—dove-like Spir - it, voice di - vine—
fur - ther still was love re - vealed as he taught, for - gave, and healed,
glimpse of glo - ry, pledge of grace, given as Je - sus set his face



myrrh and frank-in - cense and gold grave and God and King fore - told.
hailed the true A - noint-ed One: "This is my be - lov - ed Son."
bring - ing light and life to all who would lis - ten to God's call.
towards the wait - ing cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.



***THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you.

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

May the Peace of the Lord Go With You

C. Yannerella

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

The service of the church into the world – begins again this week

POSTLUDE

Toccata (Cathedral Suite)

G. Young

***Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:

Writing Prayers & Leading Worship - Rose Merke;
Prayers of the People - Chen Okafor;
Scripture Reading - Jack Barker, Matt Barker;
Guest Choir Conductor - Dr. Gord Adnams;
Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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FBC Ministry Team:

Rev. Jeremy Keay, Minister of Youth, Young Adults, Outreach
Dawn Stiles, Minister of Children and Families
Dr. Evelyn Grieger, Minister of Music (away on medical leave)
Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist

As we attempt to provide comfortable spaces for all and we have some members who have severe scent sensitivities, we ask that people refrain from wearing perfumes and colognes on Sunday morning to church. Thank you for helping us care for one another. — FBC Council