

**WELCOME, GUESTS!** We are honored to worship God with you today. You may find information about the church at the Welcome Table in the lobby. If you would like to become a member of Fernwood Baptist Church, you are invited to speak with the minister during the Hymn of Response or following the worship service. If you need pastoral care, please call 864-582-7467.

***Our Vision***

*is to be Christ to each other and our community –  
doing justice, loving mercy and walking humbly  
with our God.*



**Guest Information**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Best Time to Call:    Morning    Afternoon    Night

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Age Group:

    \_\_\_ 13-18    \_\_\_ 19-29    \_\_\_ 30-39    \_\_\_ 40-49

    \_\_\_ 50-59    \_\_\_ 60-69    \_\_\_ 70 & Older

Children:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the applicable:

\_\_\_ First time guest    \_\_\_ Returning guest

\_\_\_ Would like information about the church

\_\_\_ New to the area    \_\_\_ Would like a visit

\_\_\_ Would like to know more about becoming a Christian

\_\_\_ I am a guest of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Prayer Request \_\_\_\_\_

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*Sunday, February 2, 2020*  
*Fourth Sunday of Epiphany*

**All Members of Fernwood Baptist Church, Ministers**

Mrs. Suzanne Wynn Brown ..... Director of Music Ministries  
 Dr. Stafford Turner ..... Acting Choir Director  
 Mrs. Marcia Harris ..... Assistant Music Associate  
 Rev. Matthew K. Johnson ..... Senior Pastor  
 Mrs. Angie M. Quinn ..... Administrative Assistant  
 Mrs. Rebecca Turner ..... Music Associate  
 Mrs. Mary Helen Wessinger ..... Financial Administrator

**Sunday: Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:55 a.m.**

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**The Worship of God**

The Lord's Day	February 2, 2020
The Welcome & Announcements	Rev. Matthew K. Johnson
The Chiming of the Hour	
The Ministry of Music	George C. Stebbins arr. W. Elmo Mercer

*Take Time to be Holy*  
Rebecca Turner, piano

*As the candles are lighted, we celebrate the presence of Christ,  
who is the Light.*

The Call to Worship Matt Johnson  
One: Come! Share the joy of the Lord!  
**All: Delight in God's goodness!**  
One: Praise God who gives each person a special gift to be nurtured and shared.  
**All: Lord, we thank you for these gifts!**  
One: Come, let us worship God who entrusts us with so much.  
**All: Lord, make us worthy of your love and trust in us. Amen.**

†The Passing of the Peace

†The Hymn of Praise, No. 255 SYMPHONY  
*We Are God's People*

The Epistle Reading Clare Johnson  
1 Corinthians 12:4-13; NRSV  
(Page 933 in the pew Bibles.)  
One: The Word of God for the People of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

The Prayer of Adoration Clare Johnson

†The Hymn of Adoration, No. 665 SEMINARY  
*Because I Have Been Given Much*

Next Steps: Invest Alan Lyles

The Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance Matt Johnson

The Anthem Mary McDonald  
*Give Your Best to the Master*

Give your best to the Master; Give of the strength of your youth.  
Throw your soul's glowing ardor into the battle for truth.  
Give your best to the Master; Give him first place in your heart.  
Give him first place in your service, consecrate every part.

Give your best to the Master; Give of the strength of your youth.  
Give a heart that's true in all that you do;  
give strength, give service, and truth unto him.  
Give your best to the Master; Naught else is worthy his love.  
He gave himself for his ransom, gave up his glory above.

†The Gospel Reading Matt Johnson  
Matthew 25: 14-30; NRSV  
(Page 807 in the pew Bibles.)  
One: The Word of God for the People of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon Matt Johnson  
*Walk the Path: Invest*

The Service of Holy Communion

Communion Meditation Buryl Red  
*In Remembrance*

In remembrance of me, eat this bread. In remembrance of me, drink this wine.  
In remembrance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is done.  
In remembrance of me, heal the sick. In remembrance of me, feed the poor.  
In remembrance of me, open the door and let your brother in.

†The Hymn of Response, No. 490 HENDON  
*Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated*  
(Verses 1, 3-5)

*During the Hymn of Response, you are invited to make your decision public by meeting the minister at the front of the sanctuary.*

†The Offertory Prayer Clarence Batts

The Returning of Tithes & Giving of Offerings

The Offertory Music American Melody  
arr. Lloyd Larson  
*Come, All Christians, Be Committed*  
Marcia Harris, piano

†The Doxology, No. 707 OLD 100<sup>th</sup>  
*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

The Pastoral Benediction Matt Johnson

The Ministry of Music Welsh Melody  
arr. Stan Pethel  
*The Master Hath Come/Ash Grove*  
Rebecca Turner, piano

*As we prepare for service, the Light of Christ goes out before us.  
Please remain seated silently until the music has ended.*

†*Please stand, as you are able.*

## WOMEN'S CHOIR

Next Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating *Baptist Women's Sunday*. We will have an all-women's choir that day, and all the ladies of the church are welcome to join us. They will rehearse it during our regular choir rehearsals on Wednesday evening at 7:00.

## PROCLAIMER FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

To celebrate *Baptist Women's Sunday*, we will have the great pleasure from our very own Mrs. Lee Anne Bailie as our proclaimer.

## SECTION ROPED OFF IN SANCTUARY

We have roped off the section of pews closest to the baptistry to allow us to be closer together while worshipping and so our sanctuary will not feel "empty" to our guests.

## BOOK CLUB

The Book Group will be studying THE COLOR OF MONEY by Mehrsa Baradaran beginning February 6. **This will include a live stream talk by the author on Feb. 20 at 6:45pm in the Dining Room.** This will be led by Nancy Easler and Matt Johnson. This is an excellent opportunity for anyone to come and join our group. We meet on 10:30am on Thursday in the Brides Room.