



Jesus Loves Me, Varnette Honeywood, 1983

The Worship of God
The 2nd Sunday of Lent
Black History Month
February 25, 2024 | 10:00a

Inspired by the bold and boundless hospitality of Jesus, we are “open to all,” which means we welcome and accept all people into the life of our Church without regard to race, gender, sexual orientation, age, economic status, political affiliation, physical or mental capacity, or religious belief. We believe that God’s call is given to all people, and we embrace the Spirit that continues to cross boundaries in order to unite the world.

Masks are encouraged but not required for anyone. We encourage you to make the best decision for yourself and your family.

Childcare is available for children ages birth – kindergarten. Please see a greeter for more information.
Worship activities for children are available in the Narthex.

Prelude

Claudio Olivera, piano

Call to Worship and Invocation

Rev. Carrie Veal

*Opening Hymn

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

See pages 6 and 7.
LIFT EVERY VOICE

Welcome of Our Guests

Rev. Tara Gibbs

If you are our guest today, please fill out the pew card or scan the QR code so we may offer you our gratitude for joining us today.

*Passing of the Peace

Gospel Reading – Mark 1: 9-13 NRSV

Kurtis Wilson

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tested by Satan, and he was with the wild beasts, and the angels waited on him.

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,
for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us.

People: Thanks be to God.

As the song begins, 1st – 5th graders are invited to leave for Children’s Worship.

They will exit at the front of the Sanctuary with Children’s Worship leaders.

Parents can pick up children from room 210 in the education building between 11 -11:15.

Solo

Jasmine Logan

“Something Has to Break”

J. Drew Sheard II, Jonathan Smith, Kierra Sheard, and Mia Fieldes

I feel it in this room,
Holy Spirit move,
‘cause when you have your way
something has to break.
Tear down every lie
set the wrong thing right
‘cause when you have your way
something has to break.

Sermon

“The Un-Harmonious Spirit”

Rev. Anthony Smith

Musical Reflection

“Give Me Jesus”

In the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.
You can have all this world but give me Jesus.

O, when I am alone,
O, when I am alone,
O, when I am alone, give me Jesus.

From depths of sin I cry,
from depths of sin I cry,
from depths of sin I cry, give me Jesus.

O, when I come to die,
O, when I come to die,
O, when I come to die, give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.
You can have all this world but give me Jesus.

Chancel Choir
arr. Tom Fettke

Church at Prayer

Rev. Tara Gibbs

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our God who is in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Offering

Rev. Carrie Veal

*There are several ways to give:
scan the QR code below or drop your offering in the plate.*



Offertory

“Spirit of the Living God”
Spirit of the living God,
fall fresh on me.
Spirit of the living God,
fall fresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God,
fall fresh on me.

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***Presentation of Gifts and the Doxology**
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.

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Prayer of Dedication**

Rev. Carrie Veal

***Closing Hymn**
“Be the Change”

See page 5.
Marc Kaplan & Colin Britt

Benediction

Rev. Anthony Smith

Postlude

Claudio Olivera, piano

If you are our guest today, please connect with a minister after worship and receive a Welcome Bag.

Audio/Video Team Members are Wes Cobb, Joe Kuhlmann, Hannah Combs, Eric Roberts, and volunteers.



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Becoming a member of Myers Park Baptist is as simple as filling out a Joining Card.
To receive a card or learn more, contact Rev. Carrie Veal at cveal@myersparkbaptist.org.



Be the Change

Words adapted from Gandhi (attr.)

Music by Marc Kaplan and Colin Britt
Jersey City, NJ | 2010


Steady (♩ = 88)

Melody



1. Be the change _____ you want to see in the world, be the change
2. Be the voice _____ you want to hear in the world, be the voice
3. Be the light _____ you want to shine in the world, be the light

Harmony



C/G

G

Cadd9

Am7

_____ you want to see in the world, be the change _____ you want to
_____ you want to hear in the world, be the voice _____ you want to
_____ you want to shine in the world, be the light _____ you want to



B7

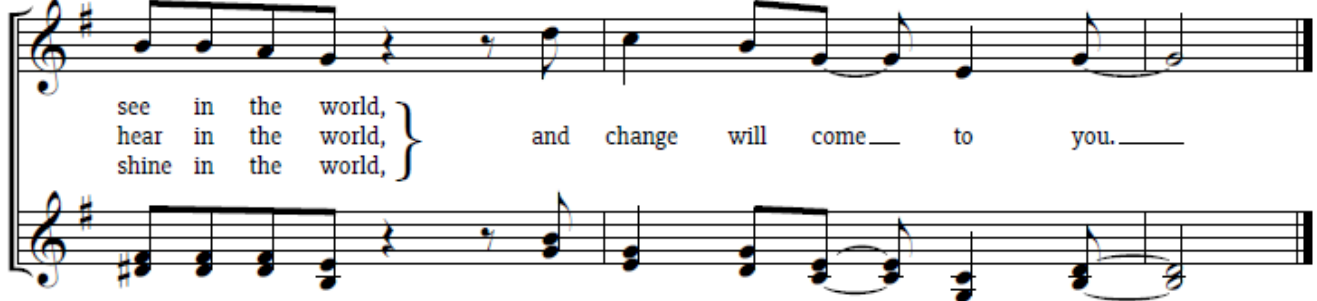
Em

Am7

C/D

G

see in the world,
hear in the world, } and change will come ___ to you. ___
shine in the world, }



Lift Every Voice and Sing

1. Lift ev - ery voice and sing, till earth and heav - en ring,
2. Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tening rod,
3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears,

ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty;
felt in the days when hope un - born had died;
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;

let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - tening skies,
yet with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry feet
thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the light,

let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
come to the place for which our fa - thers sighed?
keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
 We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;
 Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;

sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us;
 we have come, tread - ing our path thru the blood of the slaugh - tered,
 lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get thee;

fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun,
 out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at last
 shad - owed be - neath thy hand, may we for - ev - er stand,

let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.
 where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
 true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

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LIFT EVERY VOICE
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Our Covenant

We, the members of the Myers Park Baptist Church, are a people on a journey of faith. By God's grace we are experiencing love through Jesus Christ and in the community of the faithful. We are discovering in this experience our freedom to become new creatures and our responsibility to be faithful stewards of our lives and of this world.

We will be open to all new light, strengthened by God and each other in our faith. We will sustain a critical examination of Scripture, belief and ritual as interpreters of God's active presence in the world. We will accept controversy as a reality of life together and an opportunity for growth toward maturity. We covenant to be a community of God's New Creation and affirm that we are open to all and closed to none.

We covenant together to nurture this church as a community of faith and as an instrument for reconciliation in the world: by worship, by Christian education, by the dedication of our personal and material resources and by all the other ways we express the significance of our lives with God and one another.

We covenant together to be priests celebrating God's presence in community and in the world, believing we are participants in God's kingdom on Earth.

OUR MINISTERS

Rev. Dr. Benjamin Boswell

Senior Minister

Rev. Carrie Veal

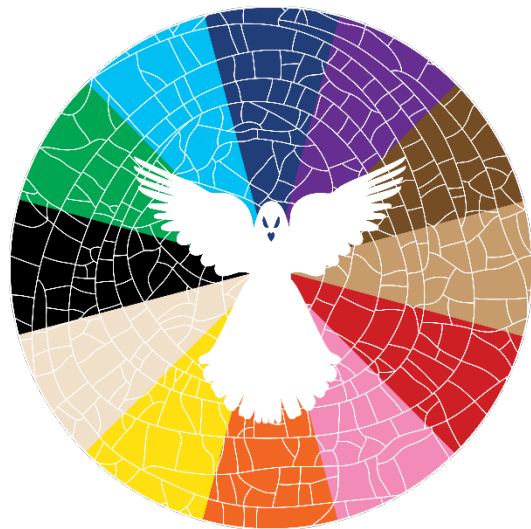
Executive Minister

Rev. Tara Gibbs

Associate Minister of Spiritual Growth

J. Kevin Gray

Minister of Music & Worship



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