

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 27, 2019

10:55 A.M.

Worship begins with the Chiming of the Hour and the Voluntary.

Please use this as a time of quiet reflection and prayer,

and to record your attendance in the blue booklet at the end of the pew, and pass it to others.

To help maintain the spirit of worship, please silence all electronic devices.

✠ – *Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Chiming of the Hour

Tim Schaefer

The Lord be with you ... **and also with you!**

In our own way
we are each shattered pieces.
Remember though,
mosaics are made
from broken pieces
and they are still works of art.
The key, I think,
is to find the artist who can help you
fit your fragments together
into the masterpiece
you are meant to be. — Amber Lynne

Voluntary

Jonah Hammett, horn & Jasmine Parrish, violin

Holy Manna — arranged by Danny Wesley Ray

✠Call to Worship

Grace Watson & Congregation

Holy, loving Creator of all,
the heavens declare your goodness each day
and night proclaims your love.

You call us to witness to your power and grace.

You give us mouths to sing your praises,
hands and feet to do your will.

You call us to proclaim the good news of your reign.

We yearn to become your people, the body of Christ,
living for the sake of the world.

Let us worship the God who calls us.

†Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

Surprising, sustaining Giver of grace, you make us part of your holy body, awakening us with glimpses of your glory. You allow us to see shadows of your astonishing beauty in the deep, bright blue of the winter sky. You invite us into your every breath—as the Holy Spirit breathes us into awareness of your loving presence. In our prayers, in our songs, and in our silence, teach us how to be your holy body, to bring good news to the world that yearns for you. Amen.

†Hymn 298

Congregation

God Is Here! — ABBOT'S LEIGH

Concerns of the Church

Darrin Fleenor

Scripture Lesson

Jacob Hammett

1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 18-22, 27 (from Common English Bible)

The Word of God for the People of God ... **Thanks be to God!**

Time of Silent Reflection

Time for Young Disciples

Carson Gill & Emma Watson

*Children through kindergarten are invited to Godly Play,
You may collect your children in the Children's Building following the service.*

†Hymn 269

Congregation

We All Are One in Mission — COMPLAINER

Confession of Division

Samantha Fleenor & Congregation

Ever present One, you call us to be your presence, your body in this world, but too often we get caught up in being a hand or a foot, and lose sight of the overarching mission you set before us.

We fracture into pieces. We go our separate ways, forgetting we need each other to be whole. Forgive us for having treated others as if they do not matter, or for believing that we are superior to other parts of the body of Christ. Pardon us and create within us a right spirit that we may show that we are one body. Amen.

Silence Is Kept

(continued)

Promise of Wholeness

Hear the good news: God forgives us and loves us, even when we forget that we are all equally important parts of the same body. In the name of Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Christ, you are forgiven.

Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

Eternal Christ, Who, Kneeling — NYLAND

Prayers of the People

Ryah Hill & Congregation

United in one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. We pray for the church. Empower ministers, deacons, teachers, and all members of Christ's body with your Spirit. Open our hearts to hear your word of life and respond in lives of service. God in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the earth. For all creatures of the land, air, and water. Heal environments damaged by disaster or pollution. Make us wise stewards of all you have entrusted into our care. God in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the nations. Liberate us from our captivity to fear and ways of violence. Free those who are unjustly imprisoned and those who are imprisoned for working for freedom. Give us vision to seek the pathways of peace. God in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For those in need. Rescue those who suffer abuse or neglect. Bring an end to hunger and greed. Accompany those who are alone or vulnerable. Comfort those who grieve and all who are ill. God in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Today we pray especially for those we name now silently or aloud. . .

(You may speak aloud the first name of those for whom you wish to pray.)

Silence Is Kept

Let us pray:

Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem

Choir

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ — arranged by Bradley Ellingboe

Becky Fuller, flute & Trent Juarez, percussion

Homily

Jaxson Hill

Sung Response [see insert]

Congregation

Blessed Be the Tie That Binds — DENNIS
(stanzas 1 & 2)

Homily

Samuel Quesada

Sung Response [see insert]

Congregation

Blessed Be the Tie That Binds — DENNIS
(stanzas 3 & 4)

Homily

Jonah Hammett

†Hymn of Commitment [see insert]

Congregation

Praise with Joy the World's Creator — LAUDA ANIMA
*Please come forward during the singing of this hymn if you wish to confess or reaffirm
your faith or identify with this fellowship. A minister will greet and receive you.*

Offertory Prayer

Melissa Robinson

Offertory

Jonathan Merritt

There Is A Redeemer — arranged by Mark Kellner

Presentation of Decisions

Michael Gregg

†Sending Forth

Jaxson Hill, Samuel Quesada, & Jonah Hammett

Go now, and live as one body in Christ.

Be at peace and care for one another;

Suffer with one another and rejoice with one another.

Give your attention to the Word of God

and proclaim the good news of freedom to all.

And may God delight your heart and sharpen your vision;

May Christ Jesus keep you, thought and word, in his grace;

And may the Holy Spirit be the fountain that sustains you all

and binds you together as one.

Amen.

Amen.

Organ Dismissal

Jonathan Merritt

God of Grace — arranged by Paul Manz

Chancel Flowers in memory of Ron Sumter

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Hymn Notes

Eternal Christ, Who, Kneeling

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Midweek – January 30

**NEW FRIENDS NEW LIFE
RESTORES and EMPOWERS
FORMERLY TRAFFICKED GIRLS
and
SEXUALLY EXPLOITED
WOMEN and CHILDREN.**

- There are an estimated 400 trafficked teens on the streets of Dallas every night. Human trafficking is modern day slavery and we must be a voice for these children.
- January is National Human Trafficking Awareness Month. The Education Division asks that you join us to learn more about this issue affecting youth in our city. Bill Morse, Community Engagement Director of New Friends New Life, will educate us on this topic on Wednesday, January 30th.

New Friends New Life was started in 1998 by a women's committee from a Dallas area church that began helping a woman who was looking to get out of exotic dancing. As a result, more and more women who wanted to leave sex trafficking began to seek services. New Friends New Life offers a comprehensive program to more than 1,200 formerly trafficked teens, women and their children each year.

www.newfriendsnewlife.org

Study for Wednesday Evening
Bill Morse, Community Engagement Director
New Friends, New Life

Join us at 5:30 for a Fellowship Meal

Scriptures for Next Sunday
Jeremiah 1:4-10 Psalm 71:1-6
1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Luke 4:21-30

For the Children!

Children's bulletins are available for ages 3-6 and 7-12.
Don't miss the Secret Code to allow your child to unlock on-line games, in a safe environment, that supplement today's scripture at games.childrensbulletins.com/games/playcode.aspx



Please recycle your order of worship in a marked bin.

The Gathering: January – March



The Gathering is our mission for North Dallas Shared Ministries. Each quarter, our congregation will focus on a few items to donate to North Dallas Shared Ministries. As always, all food and clothing donations will be appreciated, but we will try to focus on these most needed items. **NDSM cannot accept donations in glass containers.**

We would also like to provide bags for the families to use as they take their clothing and shoes home. You can drop off food and bags in the plastic NDSM bins in the Sunday school rooms, by the desk in Family Hall, and in the narthex of the Sanctuary.

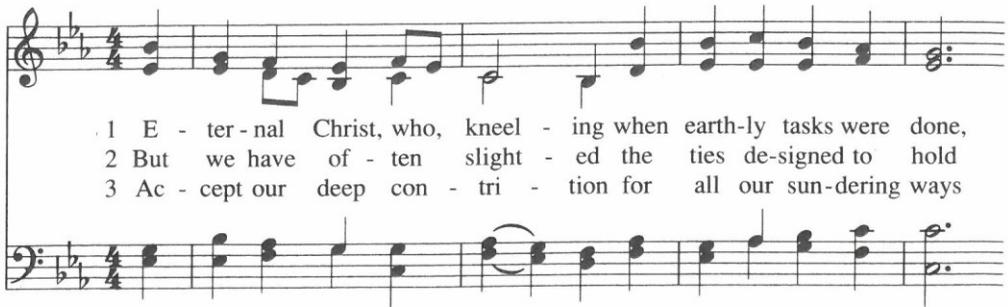
January-March

Baby Items: Baby food in plastic containers or pouches, Pull ups (very needed!)
Diapers (all sizes), Wipes, Baby Cereal

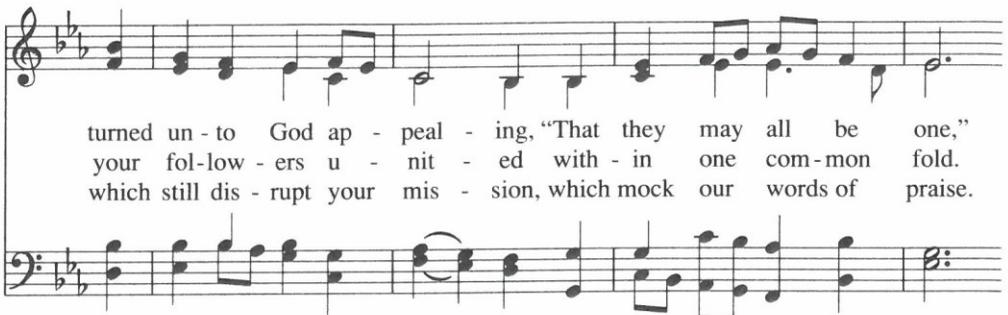
Eternal Christ, Who, Kneeling

John 17:20-23

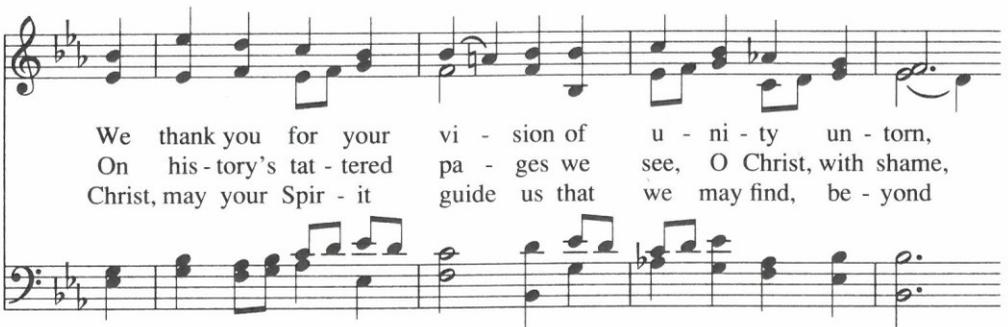
William W. Reid, Jr., 1976; alt.



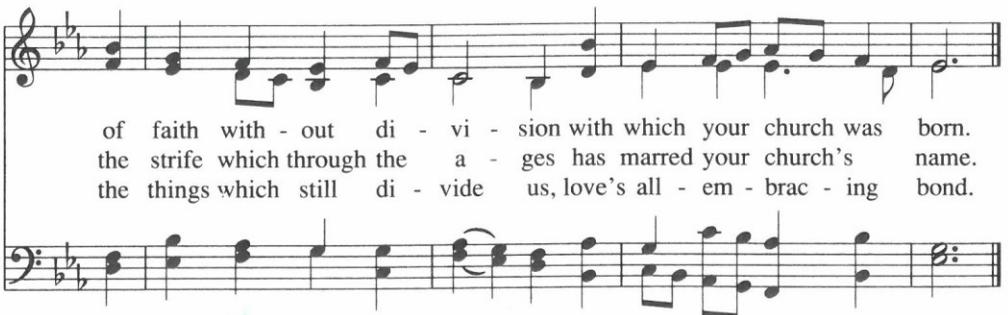
1 E - ter - nal Christ, who, kneel - ing when earth - ly tasks were done,
2 But we have of - ten slight - ed the ties de - signed to hold
3 Ac - cept our deep con - tri - tion for all our sun - dering ways



turned un - to God ap - peal - ing, "That they may all be one,"
your fol - low - ers u - nit - ed with - in one com - mon fold.
which still dis - rupt your mis - sion, which mock our words of praise.



We thank you for your vi - sion of u - ni - ty un - torn,
On his - tory's tat - tered pa - ges we see, O Christ, with shame,
Christ, may your Spir - it guide us that we may find, be - yond

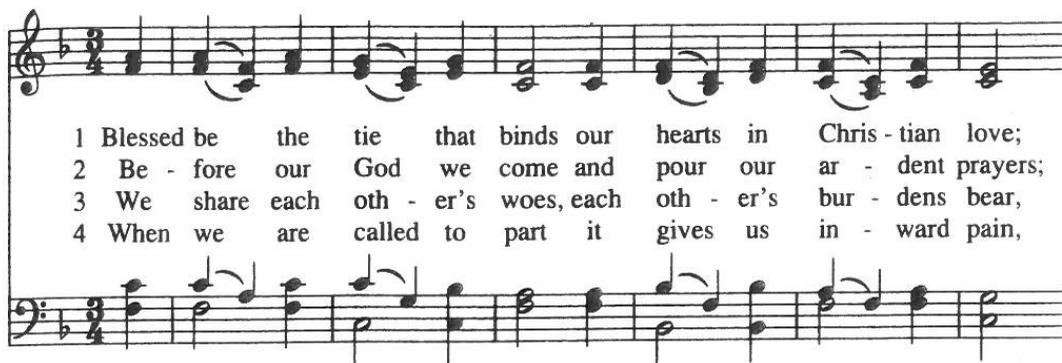


of faith with - out di - vi - sion with which your church was born.
the strife which through the a - ges has marred your church's name.
the things which still di - vide us, love's all - em - brac - ing bond.

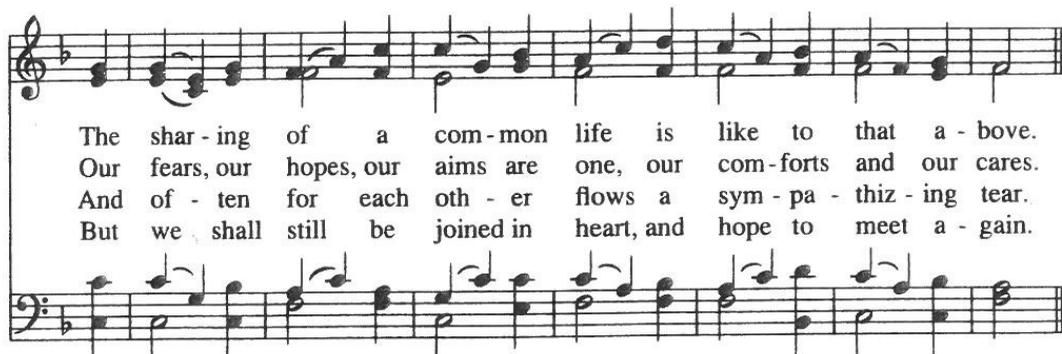
Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

John Fawcett, 1782; alt.

Gal. 3:28; 6:2; Col. 3:13-15



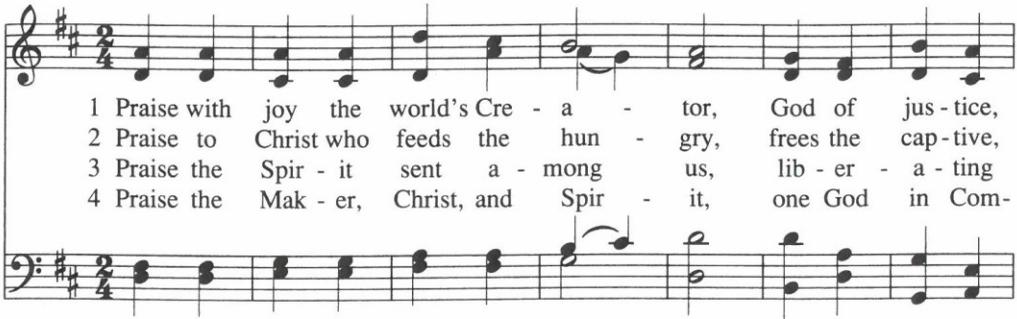
1 Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris-tian love;
2 Be-fore our God we come and pour our ar-dent prayers;
3 We share each oth-er's woes, each oth-er's bur-dens bear,
4 When we are called to part it gives us in-ward pain,



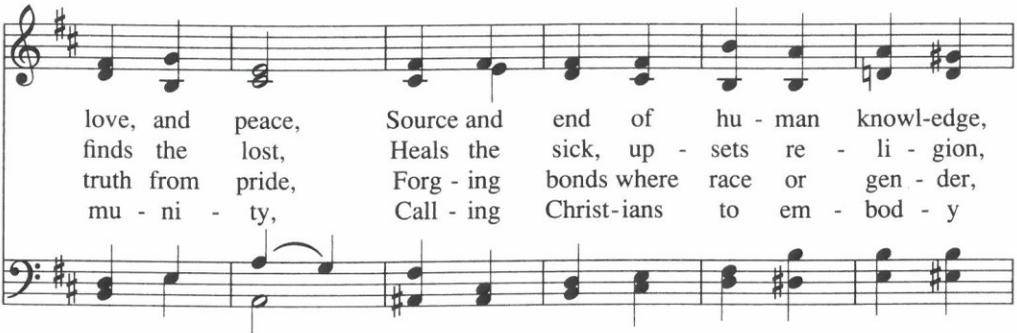
The shar-ing of a com-mon life is like to that a-bove.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com-forts and our cares.
And of-ten for each oth-er flows a sym-pa-thiz-ing tear.
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet a-gain.

Praise with Joy the World's Creator,

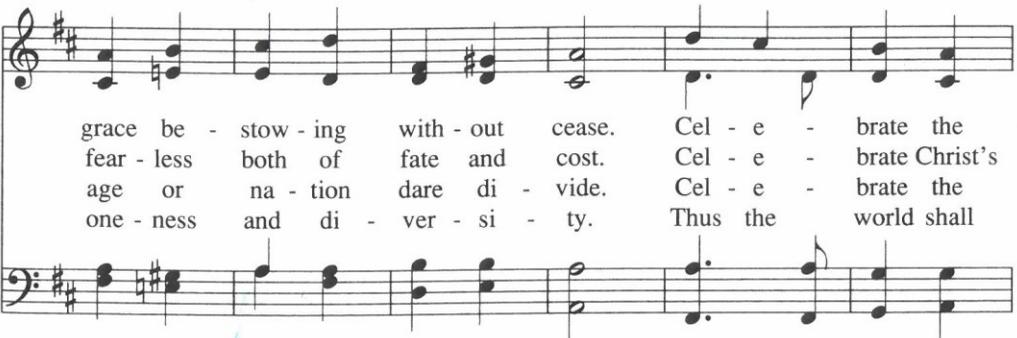
The Iona Community, 1985; alt.



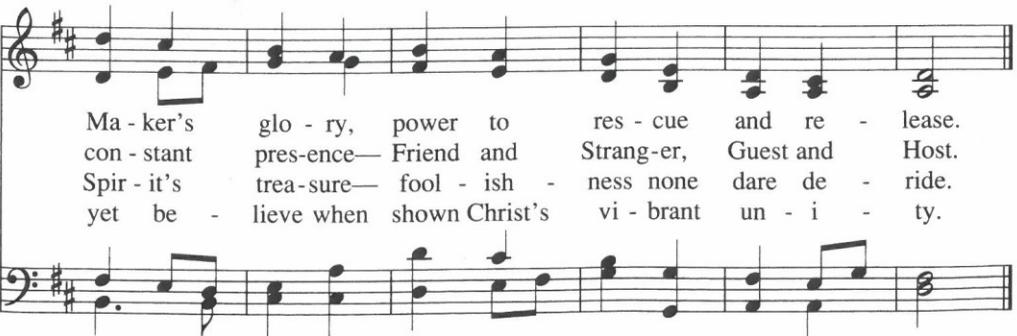
1 Praise with joy the world's Cre - a - tor, God of jus - tice,
2 Praise to Christ who feeds the hun - gry, frees the cap - tive,
3 Praise the Spir - it sent a - mong us, lib - er - a - ting
4 Praise the Mak - er, Christ, and Spir - it, one God in Com -



love, and peace, Source and end of hu - man knowl - edge,
finds the lost, Heals the sick, up - sets re - li - gion,
truth from pride, Forg - ing bonds where race or gen - der,
mu - ni - ty, Call - ing Christ - ians to em - bod - y



grace be - stow - ing with - out cease. Cel - e - brate the
fear - less both of fate and cost. Cel - e - brate Christ's
age or na - tion dare di - vide. Cel - e - brate the
one - ness and di - ver - si - ty. Thus the world shall



Ma - ker's glo - ry, power to res - cue and re - lease.
con - stant pres - ence— Friend and Strang - er, Guest and Host.
Spir - it's trea - sure— fool - ish - ness none dare de - ride.
yet be - lieve when shown Christ's vi - brant un - i - ty.

Schedule for the Week

Sunday January 27 – Third Sunday after Epiphany

- 12:15 pm Program Council — Family Hall
- 12:30 pm 20/30 (Young Adult Ministry) – Neuhaus Café
5959 Royal Lane, Dallas, TX 75230

Wednesday January 30

- 3:30 pm Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202
- 5:30 pm Family Supper — Family Hall
Meat Loaf, Potatoes, Salad, Rolls, Vanilla Cake
- 6:00 pm Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement
- 6:15 pm Children’s Choir/Missions — Children’s Building
- 6:15 pm Midweek Service — Family Hall
Bill Morse, Community Engagement Director of New Friends New Life
- 7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary

Saturday February 2

- 2:00 pm Social Justice Team — Home of Karen Simmons

Sunday February 3 – Fourth Sunday after Epiphany / The Gathering

- 9:30 am Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Family Hall
- 9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
- 10:55 am Morning Worship – Holy Communion offered — Sanctuary
- 12:15 pm Education Committee — Room 206

The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.

Prayer Cards

We invite you to use the Prayer Cards, available in the “pockets” on the back of each pew, to submit prayer requests. These may be placed in the offering plate or handed to a minister or deacon of the week.

Deacons on Call

Garey Wisdom & Margaret Darden

Godly Play

Charlotte Sewell & Anne Sewell

Safety Shepherd – JJ Berrier

When WE Give: our youth share their faith as they lead us in worship.

November 30, 2018 Financials

	YTD	Nov 2018
Budget/Pledges & Plate Offerings	\$ 644,105	\$58,555
Actual Pledges & Plate Offerings	\$ 619,007	\$28,897
Budget/Offerings & Revenues	\$ 737,691	\$63,688
Actual Offerings & Revenues	\$ 696,398	\$34,937
Expenses	\$ 741,864	\$65,542
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$45,466)	(\$30,605)

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Today's scripture reading comes from 1 Corinthians, Chapter 12, from the Common English Bible.

¹² Christ is just like the human body—a body is a unit and has many parts; and all the parts of the body are one body, even though there are many.

¹³ We were all baptized by one Spirit into one body, whether Jew or Greek, or slave or free, and we all were given one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ Certainly the body isn't one part but many.

¹⁸ But as it is, God has placed each one of the parts in the body on purpose.

¹⁹ If all were one and the same body part, what would happen to the body?

²⁰ But as it is, there are many parts but one body. ²¹ So the eye can't say to the hand, "I don't need you," or in turn, the head can't say to the feet, "I don't need you." ²² Instead, the parts of the body that people think are the weakest are the most necessary. ²³ The parts of the body that we think are less honorable are the ones we honor the most.

²⁷ You are the body of Christ and parts of each other.

The Word of God for the People of God... **Thanks be to God.**