

The Worship of God
Sunday, December 08, 2019

Second Sunday of Advent – The Gift of Peace

Carry the light to a world living in darkness.... “Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.” –Martin Luther King, Jr. Helen Keller lived in a world of physical darkness, but knew a world of light. She said, “I do not want the peace which passeth understanding, I want the understanding which bringeth peace.” As we prepare for worship, how can you carry the light of Jesus’ love? Today, what would it take for you to experience peace?

Prelude	<i>Joy to the World</i>	Celebration Orchestra
Faces & Places of First Baptist Church		
Welcome		John Moore
Hymn of the Month	<i>Advent Song</i>	Children’s Choirs
Lighting of the Advent Candle		Lauren and David Bass
Procession of Nations	<i>Carry the Light</i>	Children’s Choirs, Youth Choir, Sanctuary Choir
Congregational Call to Worship	<i>The First Noel</i>	CH 265
Morning Prayer and Greeting		Lauren and David Bass
Family Dedication	<i>Ava Brown Reese and Dallas Brown, parents</i>	Phil Christopher
Message in Song	<i>For Unto Us a Child Is Born Marilyn Cluck, soloist</i>	Sanctuary Choir
Song of Our Worship	<i>How Great Is Our God (Christmas Words)</i>	
God’s Eternal Word for Us Today	<i>Isaiah 9:2-7 Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God. Congregation: Thanks be to God.</i>	Laquita Culwell
Offertory Prayer		Tommy Culwell
Offertory	<i>What Child Is This?</i>	Celebration Orchestra
Message in Song	<i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel Every Longing</i>	Sanctuary Choir Sanctuary Choir
Reflections on God’s Word	<i>Peace From Where We Least Expect It</i>	Phil Christopher
Invitation	<i>Lord, I Need You</i>	
Continuing Acts of Worship		Mike Greenfield
Recognition of Decisions		C. V. Blake
Benediction	<i>The First Noel</i>	CH 265
Postlude	<i>Joy to the World</i>	Celebration Orchestra

Instrumentalist: Beverly Warren, piano

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