The Worship of God
Sunday, January 12, 2020

Epiphany & First Fruits Sunday – Bringing Our Gifts
Epiphany means, "an appearing" as the Christ Child was "revealed" to the Magi as the "Light of the world." The Wise Men brought their gifts as they adored a little Babe, in a wretched hovel, wrapped in miserable rags. So today, we bring our First Fruits as an act of sacrifice to worship this Child who will bring hope to the hopeless. We take up His mission to GIVE HOPE. Think of Epiphany as a "God moment" when God invades and interrupts ordinary moments. We offer our gifts to care for the hungry and working poor in the name of the One who Himself found "no room in the inn."

Prelude *Fanfare & Fantasy on "Lobe Den Herren"* Celebration Orchestra

Faces & Places of First Baptist Church

Welcome C. V. Blake

Time of Greeting *Come, People of The Risen King*
During the singing of this song, the children are invited to join Becky Tucker at the front for the children's sermon.

Lighting of the Christ Candle C. V. Blake

Children's Sermon Becky Tucker

Congregational Call to Worship *No Other Name* CH 15
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name CH 16

Morning Prayer C. V. Blake

Give Hope Giving Progress Callie & Evan Harris, Hillary Moore

Give Hope Building Committee Larry Smith

Song of Worship *God of This City*

God's Eternal Word for Us Today *Matthew 12:1-12* Gene Hendrix
Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Discipleship Loraine Hendrix

Message in Song *Welcome, Jesus, Our Redeemer* Sanctuary Choir

Message from God's Word *What Will I Give Him?* Phil Christopher

Giving of Our First Fruits Phil Christopher
At this time, you are invited to bring forward your discipleship insert card, First Fruits offering, or Give Hope commitment card. This will also be the time to bring forward your regular tithes and offerings.

Invitation *Lord, I Need You*

Continuing Acts of Worship Mike Greenfield

Recognition of Decisions C. V. Blake

Benediction *Come, People of The Risen King*

Postlude *Fanfare & Fantasy on "Lobe Den Herren"* Celebration Orchestra

Instrumentalist: Beverly Warren, piano