

Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 19, 2020

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYERPastor and Congregation

CALL TO WORSHIP

PASTOR: For all those listening for God's call and for all those still yearning for purpose and meaning.

CONGREGATION: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

PASTOR: For the specific aches and joys of this community.

CONGREGATION: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

PASTOR: For the wounds and wonders of the world this week.

CONGREGATION: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

PASTOR: For the work of your church, holy and universal, here among us and around the world.

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

CHORAL RESPONSE... "I Love You, Lord" 362

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ... *Mark 4:2-13, 21-25, 30-34*..... Reggie Jackson

He began to teach them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold." And he said, "Let anyone with ears to hear listen!"

When he was alone, those who were around him along with the twelve asked him about the parables. And he said to them, "To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside, everything comes in parables; in order that "they may indeed look, but not perceive, and may indeed listen, but not understand; so that they may not turn again and be forgiven." "And he said to them, "Do you not understand this parable? Then how will you understand all the parables?

He said to them, "Is a lamp brought in to be put under the bushel basket, or under the bed, and not on the lampstand? For there is nothing hidden, except to be disclosed; nor is anything

secret, except to come to light. Let anyone with ears to hear listen!" And he said to them, "Pay attention to what you hear; the measure you give will be the measure you get, and still more will be given you. For to those who have, more will be given; and from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

HYMN ... "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" 306

*CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Barbie Blake

OFFERTORY HYMN ... "How Firm a Foundation"...vs. 1, 2, & 3 425

OFFERTORY PRAYER Usher

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God, There are deep valleys that separate us from one another and from You. We confess that we have allowed those rifts to grow, for fear of admitting our part in the separation, for fear of being rejected when we reach out. You call us to a reconciled life, to healed relationships, to a wholeness with each other and with You. Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations through the power and love of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

MORNING PRAYER..... Pastor

ANTHEM

SERMON..... Rev. Josh Powers

CLOSING HYMN ... "My Jesus, I Love Thee" ...vs. 1 & 3 361

BENEDICTION..... Pastor

SHARING LOVE AND PEACE

POSTLUDE

**Children ages 3-5 are invited to Children's Church downstairs after Children's Message*

USHERS

TODAY Nancy Ruppert's Team

NEXT SUNDAY Jerry Smith's Team

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

TODAY Sharon Blake and Jean Maness

NEXT SUNDAY Angel and Courtney Robinson

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY

7 PM..... Deacons' Meeting

WEDNESDAY

6 PM..... Supper – **Team 6**

6:45 PM..... Adult Bible Study

..... Children & Youth Activities

7:30 PM..... JOY Group Meeting

THURSDAY

11 AM Community Meal

SATURDAY

7 AM **FBC @ Biscoe Food Pantry**

PRAYER LIST

<i>Church family:</i>			
Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, George Lynthacum, Mary Williams			
<i>At Home:</i> Helen Greene, Irene Warner, Karen Dailey, Janet Maness			
<i>Friends and Relatives of:</i>			
Molly/Wayne Abbott	Monnie Jenkins	friend	
	Tony Lawson	friend	
	Toni Atchison	sister	
	Tammy Laprade	sister	
Rebecca/Jimmy Blake	Jennifer Blake Hoyos	daughter	
Sheila Capel	Ada Capel	mother	
Jane Covington	Faye Thomas	sister	
	Pete Thomas	brother-in-law	
	Lee Kasik	grandson-in-law	
Ernest , Karen Dailey	Judy and Estella	daughters	
Mary James	Benny McBride	friend	
	Pam, Ken Morgan	niece, nephew	
	Don Britt	nephew	
Candy/Rodney Loflin	John Covington	brother	
	Curtis Holt	friend	
	Wesley Culler	friend	
	Lois Loflin	mother	
Max/Jane Luquire	Jo Brooks	friend	
Barbara Lynthacum	J.D. Thompson	nephew	
	Melissa Green	daughter	
Jean Maness	Carol Luther	friend	
Sylvia McAlister	Tammy Parker	friend	
Pat/Bob Morgan	Jesse Wallace	friend	
Nancy Ruppert	Marie Spoon	sister	
Barbara Smith	Mary Willians	daughter	
	Laura Wilson	friend	
	Doris Hinson	friend	
Betty Green	Beth Kearns	friend	
Jean Smith	Hazel Greene	sister	
	Genelle Greene		
<i>Service Personnel:</i>			
Seth Spivey			

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly budget needs ... \$2,301.00

Last week's offering\$2156.00

Monthly budget needs.....\$9,972.00

December offering\$23,126.00