

DESMOND CANADA	GREGORY NELSON	TROY GROSS	DAEMON WALLACE
BERNARD THOMAS	TYREE DAVIS	SOPHIA WILKS	KYLE KNOX
ANDRE DORSEY	DOMINIC DIRTON	DONTAE BREEDEN	DAKARAI BALDWIN
JUSTIN ANTHONY	AHNMAD ARTIS	COREL MCQUEEN	TYRONE HILL
ROBERT HARPER	EMONTY PLATTENBURG	JERRIC MICHIE	DAVON SILVER-NELSON
ERIC RUFUS	TERRELL CALDWELL	MY'ROYAL BENNETT	SAMI IBN-QUEEN
DARRIAN CARR	QUINTON BOND	STEFAN CARTER	GALEN HYMAN III
ANTOINE JOHNSON	SINTHIA GRACE	DEONTAE CARTER	DERRICK TO OMER
BRANDON ROBINSON	MONTRELL BATTEAS	ANTHONY CLARK	THEODORE BROWN
KEYE'SHAWN WILSON	ROBERT PARKS	BENJAMIN GARDNER	NEAL MACK
RAYMOND BROADWAY	TYIUAN TATES	DANIEL PITTS	DAYWARN WALKER
ELIJAH FREDERICK HAIL	EDWARD JOHNSON	AKIA EGGLESTON	MICHAEL ROSS
TARONE THOMPSON	CHRISTIAN JACKSON	ANUBIS ROBERTSON	SONYA STEINGEL
KAVONTE GRIFFIN	MORRIS HOOD JR.	BRITTANY KEYSER	BERNARD TILLMAN
DARRON MCCOY JR.	KEITH LEE BROWN JR.	DANIEL SMITH	ERIC ELDRIDGE
ANTONIO BAYNES	DAVID DIXON	BYRON TROXLER	KENNETH BLACKSTONE
SHAQUILLE NANGLE	THOMAS EPPS	URSULA BROWN	ANDREW SMITH
TYRONE ALLEN	LINDA BURNETTE	MICHAEL CLANTON	RICKIE CRENSHAW
HASSAN SMITH	MONIQUE BILLINGER	COREY GREER	DWAYNE DAVIS
DASHAWN MCGRIER	DASHAWN KEARSON	MARCO NUNEZ	DENARD HUNT
JERMAINE FOWLKES	CHARLES RHEUBOTTOM	ANGELO CLARY	TYRONE WALKER
CRISSTER TALBERT	BRYANT TIMMONS	DOMINIC BULLOCK	JUSTIN STEWART
JONATHAN MILLER	AARON RASHAD LEE	DENZEL SCIPIO	DONALD DEMETRIUS WHITE
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CHRISTIAN WILLIAMS	MARVIN PRYOR	ADRIAN MORRIS	CRAIG PHILLIPS JR.
KENNETH LAWSON	TIMOTHY BROWN JR.	JUSTIN LEWIS	BRIAN JONES
ANGELO PARKER	DARIAN SAVOY	ROBERT CARTER	ANTHONY BARKSDALE
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CHERYL MCCORMACK	FRANK LEE PULLIAM	DANIEL TAYLOR	LEGACY BELL
KENNETH LACAYO	DOMINIC KENNEDY	ERICK SMITHRICK	DWAINE EDWARDS
KELSEY SADLER	JAMES NEAL	KEITH JOHNSON	MESHACH DANIEL DENNIS
PAUL BUTRIM	AKINLANA WEATHERS	LEE JORDAN BUTLER	CURTIS JONES
DONTE LEE	JOHN HOLT	MIGUEL SOTO DIAZ	KEVIN MOODY
JAMES BLUE	RYHEEM SIMMS	KENNOD TAYLOR	RYAN HARRIS
ROBERT PARKER	ALLAN HOWARD	CHONE CUMMINGS	WILLIAM CHRISTIAN
DAMOND PRICE	COURTNEY CAMPBELL	AUSTIN HAMMOND	TERRY ALSTON
CLARENCE BUCKNER	EDWARD GAREY	SAMUEL MCKOY	DARRELL FULTON
JAMES MOORE	BRAYLON GANNON	YAHMELL MONTAGUE	DAVON BATTLE
SHANLETTE LEWIS	JOSHUA WHITTINGTON	ANGEL SMITH	TRAVIS JOHNSON
TYRONE THOMPSON	SHAMAL SCOTT	CARTREL BABOOLAL	NICOLE DYSON
RONALD BOONE	KWALIN RAY	JASMINE BRUNSON	TREVOR WHITE



January 29, 2023 | 10:30 A.M.  
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

#### PRELUDE

Oh! What a Beautiful City  
Peace Song (from *Jazz Epistle for Organ*)

spiritual, arr. David Hurd (b. 1950)  
Joe Utterback (b. 1944)

#### GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
All: **And also with you.**

*stand, as able*

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Who has come this morning to hear the Word of God?  
All: **We have come, intending to open our ears.**  
One: Who has come to fellowship with friends who share the faith?  
All: **We have come, intending to open our hearts.**  
One: Who has come to be blessed by the Spirit of Christ?  
All: **We have come, intending to open our spirits.**

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN 442

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

stanza 1 all, *unison*  
stanza 2 all, *parts*  
stanza 3 low voices, *unison*  
stanza 4 high voices, *unison*  
stanza 5 all, *unison*

*all are seated*

#### CALL TO CONFESSION (from Psalm 15)

One: Who may be welcomed as a guest in God's house? Who can find a place on the Creator's guest list? The Psalmist says, only those who "do the right thing" as a way of living and being in the world. So let us find peace with God and peace with others as we speak the truth about our inadequacy and feeble attempts, also acknowledging God's intention to forgive.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: **Gracious Creator, we yearn for Your divine hospitality in this world. Therefore, we confess our shortcomings in matters of both attitude and actions. We lament our failure to be true and faithful to those around us: Family, friends, neighbors, and strangers. We hold on to our resources as if they are life-giving, confusing the Giver with the gifts. Open Your heart to us: Give us renewed resolve to be the people we were created to be.**

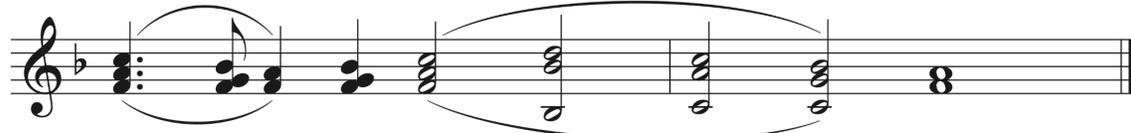
*There follows a moment of silence for prayers of confession.*

KYRIE

Ukraine



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.  
 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.



Ky - ri - e e - le - - - i - son.  
 Chris - te e - le - - - i - son.  
 Ky - ri - e e - le - - - i - son.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: We seek a place at God's table and a place in the hearts of those around us. God the Hospitality-Giver bids us accept the forgiveness and grace that allows us to be all that we can be, in community with God and one another. In this, as the Psalmist sang, we will not be moved.

*stand, as able*

RESPONSE TO OUR FORGIVENESS 563 stanza 1

LIFT EVERY VOICE

<b>Lift every voice and sing</b>	<b>Sing a song full of the faith</b>
<b>Till earth and heaven ring,</b>	<b>That the dark past has taught us,</b>
<b>Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;</b>	<b>Sing a song full of the hope</b>
<b>Let our rejoicing rise</b>	<b>That the present has brought us,</b>
<b>High as the listening skies,</b>	<b>Facing the rising sun of our new day begun</b>
<b>Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.</b>	<b>Let us march on till victory is won.</b>

*all are seated*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (inspired by I Corinthians 1:18-31)

O God, we understand that you have chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things that are mighty. You have chosen to communicate through those who were considered foolish to confound the wise. You speak to us through the commonplace and the extraordinary alike. We yearn to hear your Word, for our faith and for our practice. Open our spirits and our hearts to hear and believe. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING *Micah 6:1-8*

Liturgist

One: The Word of God, for the people of God.  
 All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Blessed Are the Pure of Heart

Woldemar Voullaire (1825-1902)

Blessed are the pure of heart; They shall see the Father.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING *Matthew 5:1-12*

Rev. Rhonda Cooper

One: The Word of God, for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *The Beatitudes: God's "Yes"*

Rev. Rhonda Cooper

*stand, as able*

HYMN OF RESPONSE 372

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

African-American spiritual

*Following the hymn, you may bring any prayer request cards to the front of the sanctuary, or signal an usher to assist you.*

*all are seated*

LITANY FOR PEACEMAKING

One: This morning we remember those who have died of violence in our community.

This morning we remember those who continue to suffer and die due to the violence in our city.

*Purple Ribbon List (January 17-24)*

Dashawn Anderson	31	Male	White
Cameron Bullock	30	Male	White
Dion Brandon	19	Male	Black
Carl Gilmore	37	Male	
Yousef Mohamed	32	Male	Black

This morning we remember those who will suffer and die due to violence in the coming year.

One: People of faith, to whom are we committed?

All: **We are committed to solidarity with our community.**

One: People of faith, to what are we committed?

All: **We are committed to justice for all.**

One: People of faith, to whom are we committed?

All: **We are committed to pray for all those affected by violence- victims, family members and perpetrators alike.**

One: People of faith, to what are we committed?

All: **We are committed to non-violence and peace-making as a way of life.**

One: Let us pray.

*We hang a purple ribbon on the Park Avenue side of our building to remind us to pray for the victims, survivors, and perpetrators of these acts of violence in Baltimore City. If you would like to join in putting up a ribbon after worship, please signal an usher.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

*If you wish to give online via our website, use [this link](#) or scan the QR code.  
If you would like to give your offering by mail, please send it to the church office.*



AT THE OFFERTORY

What Does the Lord Require of You?

Lois M. Hopkins

Meredith Piplani, *soprano*

Jacob Plaisted, *baritone*

What does the Lord require of you?  
The Lord has shown you what is good:  
To act justly, to love mercy,  
To walk humbly with your God.

*~Micah 6:8*

*stand, as able*

DOXOLOGY 591

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all creatures here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Written by Phil Adams

One: Merciful God, we bring our offerings this morning thankful for the grace which redeems us time and again. Whether we are poor, mourning, meek, hungry, victims of injustice, or reviled, we are at one with both humanity and Christ, and as such called blessed. We ask that you consecrate these offerings and their use by this congregation and pray that they may be found pleasing in your eyes. Help us always to walk humbly amongst our neighbors, seeking justice for those unable to advocate for themselves, and loving each other according to Jesus' example, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*remain standing for*

HYMN OF SENDING 413

All Who Love and Serve Your City

CHARLESTOWN

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne in C

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

*It is the custom of this congregation to remain in the sanctuary for the postlude. Those wishing to exit may do so.  
Grace and joy to all who have joined us in worship! Please join us for fellowship in Reid Chapel.*

GUEST PREACHER: REV. RHONDA COOPER

Rev. Rhonda Cooper has been the Chaplain of the Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns Hopkins Hospital since 2005 and is an ordained United Methodist clergy person. She graduated with a bachelor of arts degree from Wheaton College in Wheaton, Illinois, and holds a master of divinity degree from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California. She served as a pastor for 15 years before becoming a hospital chaplain and is a Board Certified Chaplain through the Association of Professional Chaplains.

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Rhonda Cooper, *guest preacher*  
Jason Kissel, *Minister of Music & Arts/Organist*

Michael Johnson and Dave Pierson, *ushers*  
Lorren Hayman, *liturgist*

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

Clarence Baney	Lorren Hayman	Laura Oldham	Ben Riniker	Betty Schroll
Anne Culbertson	Don Juedes	Meredith Piplani	Steve Roach	Sandra Smith
Jake Elfner	Kirk McAuliffe	Jacob Plaisted	Doug Savin	Randy Veale
Zhenya Gnezdilova	John McLucas	Lauren Redditt	Marianne Shick	Rachel Walsh
Jim Harvey	Alex Mendelsohn	Daveen Rim	Jan Trammell-Savin	

FIRST & FRANKLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Jason Kissel, DMA, *Minister of Music & Arts/Organist*  
George Meagher, *Sexton*  
Deborah McCrimmon, *Director of Christian Arts & Education*

Anna Pollitt, *Office Administrator*  
Aaron Houston, *Audio Engineer*

SESSION

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2022	CLASS OF 2023	CLASS OF 2024	CLASS OF 2022	CLASS OF 2023	CLASS OF 2024
Sarah Lloyd	Joan Gordon	Paul Fowler	Nusrat David	Marla Holt	Anne Culbertson
Dave Pierson	Becca Hollaway	Alex Mendelsohn	Muddassar Iqbal	Randolph Veale	Michael Johnson
Marianne Shick	John McLucas	Allie Pyan			

CALENDAR

*Current as of January 26*

2/5	Sun	Guest Preacher: Rev. Dottie LaPenta	10:30am
2/5	Sun	Annual Congregational Meeting	11:30am
2/7	Tue	Egerton~Roberts Board Meeting	7:00pm
2/7	Tue	Peacemaking Committee	7:00pm
2/8	Wed	Membership Committee	7:00pm
2/10	Fri	Al-Anon	12:00pm
2/12	Sun	Guest Preacher: Rev. Rhonda Cooper	10:30am

*Today's Fellowship refreshments are provided by Becca Hollaway.*



### ART UNDER THE SPIRE

The oil paintings by Baltimore artist William Brown, currently hanging in Reid Chapel, are somber reminders of the terrible toll taken by gun violence in the City of Baltimore. Here are portraits of victims whose lives were ended by gunfire. These once vibrant lives filled with hope for the future were cruelly destroyed. We mourn the loss of these and many other lives as the violence continues.

These portraits were installed in the sanctuary for a concert in response to gun violence in the City of Baltimore, sung by the First & Franklin Sanctuary Choir on March 24, 2019. The paintings have now been rehung in Reid Chapel as part of First & Franklin's recommitment to its Purple Ribbon Ministry.

SAI NAKKA	SAMUEL BENT	DELANIE MC CLOUD	WAYNE MARTIN
BILAL BAHA OMAR	WILLIE ROBINSON JR.	TERRY GORDON	ANTONIO WARRINGTON
DONTA WHEELER	DEONTAY EDWARDS	DELON BUSHROD	DONTE MILLER
JEREMIAH WILLIAMSON	SHAREEF MUSE	KELLY LOGAN	JAMES WILSON
MARKEECE JORDAN	TREVON WILLIAMS	QUINCY HARRIS	MICHAEL JACKSON
ROBERT BROWN	TREVON JOHNSON	ROBERT TAYLOR	WILLIE VINSON
DEVIN NATHANIEL BROWN	BRYAN JOHNSON SR.	MICHAEL WASHINGTON	ANTONIO HOLMES
DAMETRIUS JOHNSON	RAQUAN WYATT	GARCIA STEVENSON	ROSETTA MITCHELL
DEVONTA POWELL	CHRIS HALE	ANTHONY PLAYER	TRAVIS CURRY
MAKEON HINES	NYKAYLA STRAWDER	ELIJAH HOOKS	HENRI JONES
PHILLIP WALLACE	ANTWINE SMITH	TOMMY MASON	TERRENCE SKINNER
REGINALD JOHNSON	ERIC WHITE	JERRY BROWN	KHALIL TATUM
EDDIE PALMER	DARIUS JONES	DORIAN ABRAMS	THEODORE BARKSDALE
JAMAR ROBERSON	TONY MATTHEWS	DIONDREA LEE	RALPH JOHNSON
TERRONTAE STANCIL	DEVIN ROBINSON	O'RION THOMAS	KIERRA COX
LEROY JETER III	LEION DAVIS	GREGORY CARROL	JAYMYRA BURRELL
TIMOTHY REYNOLDS	WILLIAM FEREBEE	STEPHEN SLOMAN	TAVAZ MYLES
TERRY LEWIS	JOSHUA GEORGE CAMARA	ANTONIO WILKINS	AMARE BURRUSS
MICHELLE LINDSEY	MARCUS ANTHONY ROBERTS	SANTO MUNOZ-HERNANDEZ	STEWARTRESS BURKE
DEJON DURHAM	STEPHEN WALKER JR.	ARTHUR COMEGYS	COREY PARKER
TIYA ADESHOLA OTUGO	ERIC PLATER	BERNARD STEIN	GERALD REED
TERRELL CHAMBERS	DELANEY SIMMONS	ELAINE JACKSON	ALBERT STEVENSON JR.
ULYESS DEZURN	VICTORINO MALABAYABES	NYEMIA GILLARD	TREMAINE THOMAS JR.
JULIAN FOSTER III	VINCENT OMALU	WALTER FERGUSON	WILLIAM BROWN JR.
ERNEST MCREA	ELONTAE WALKER	DONTERRAY JPNES	ARNOLD MANUEL
MALIK ISIAHA MYERS	KENYON SMITH	DAVID BRAXTON	DOMINICK WILLIAMS
DWIGHT DOUGLAS III	MICHAEL DAYE	BRANDON WILLIAMS	HOWARD CARTER
NATHAN GREEN	MONICA BULLOCK	MICHAEL SMALL	MICHAEL MORRISON
QUINTIN MANUEL	JESIKA TETLOW	DAVID RAMIREZ	DARIUS BROCKINGTON
ARNOLD HENDERSON	CLINTON BOWSER	TIMOTHY CUNNINGHAM	DWONE BRYANT
CHARLES SAUNDERS	THOMAS FIELDS	LOUIS BUTLER	CALEB THOMPSON
TONY DEWITT	JULIAN FRUH	MARQUISE POWELL	DAVID WATTS JR.
DANIEL COVINGTON JR.	KAHLIL AKINS	DARYLL BYRD	LATTIMORE THOMPSON
JOSE VERA GARCIA	JEREMIAH BROGDEN	MARCUS LYNCH JR.	DYLAN KING
KELVIN JACKSON	ELLSWORTH JOHNSONBEY	DELAKA AUGINS	DENNIS JOHNSON
ERNEST JACKSON IV	KEITH BELL	EVAN SMITH	
JESSE LANCASTER JR.	KENYON YERBY	TYJUAN REDD	
PETER RILEY	MOHAMMED SEID	ERIC HENSON	
BARTIMAEUS MORRIS	JESSICA JOHNSON	MARCELLUS HALL	
EVAY HENRIQUES	LAWRENCE GREEN III	KEVIN TORRES	
JAY HEISER	TURRELL DAVIS	KELSEY WASHINGTON	