



Central Baptist Church

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Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany
January 28, 2024
10:55 am

The Meditation

*We gather together in the name of our God,
the Maker of heaven and earth,
who calls us away from the ways and attitudes of the world around us,
and invites us instead into a transforming relationship
with Him and with one another.*

The Westminster Chimes

The Prelude

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Burkhardt

The Introit

The Bond of Love

SKILLINGS

The Chancel Choir

The Welcome and Invocation

Rev. Matt Sapp

***The Hymn No. 339**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION

***The Litany**

Psalm 105:1-7

Dr. Joel Richardson

Give praise to the LORD, proclaim God's name;
make known among the nations what God has done.

**Sing to the LORD, sing praise to God;
tell of all the LORD'S wonderful acts.**

Glory in God's holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

**Look to the LORD and God's strength;
seek God's face always.**

Remember the wonders God has done,
the miracles, and the judgments God pronounced,
you God's servants, the descendants of Abraham,
God's chosen ones, the children of Jacob.

***The LORD is our God;
The LORD'S judgments are in all the earth.***

***The Gloria Patri No. 705**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.*

The Children's Sermon

Nancy Cothran

*(Children in pre-kindergarten through first grade are invited to
Children's Worship following the Children's Sermon.)*

The Scripture

Psalm 111
(pew Bible, p. 952)

Dr. Ronnie Oliver

...This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Dr. Steve Cothran

***The Hymn No. 278**

We Are Travelers on a Journey

BEACH SPRING

***The Offertory Prayer**

Dr. Richardson

The Offertory

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

arr. Larson

Rev. Anne Cronic

***The Doxology No. 706**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him, above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

The Special Music

This Day
The Chancel Choir

arr. Shaw

The Sermon

Optimizing for the Right Things
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
(pew Bible, p. 1778)

Rev. Sapp

The Invitation to the Table

Rev. Sapp

The Reading of the Church Covenant

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

The Prayer of Blessing

***The Hymn of Response No. 362**

I Love You, Lord

I LOVE YOU, LORD

*I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You.
O my soul, rejoice! Take joy, my King, in what You hear:
may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.*

***The Benediction**

Rev. Sapp

The Postlude

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Hopson

We welcome Mr. David Kinrade, guest organist, to worship today.

*The floral arrangement in the sanctuary is placed
in loving memory of Hershall and Rochelle Norred and in honor of Cile Smith,
by Casey and Melissa Smith*

***Please stand if able.**

Psalm 111

Praise the Lord. I will extol the Lord with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly. Great are the works of the Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them. Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever. He has caused his wonders to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and compassionate. He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever. He has shown his people the power of his works, giving them the lands of other nations. The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy. They are established for ever and ever, enacted in faithfulness and uprightness. He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his covenant forever—holy and awesome is his name. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now about food sacrificed to idols: We know that “We all possess knowledge.” But knowledge puffs up while love builds up. Those who think they know something do not yet know as they ought to know. But whoever loves God is known by God. So then, about eating food sacrificed to idols: We know that “An idol is nothing at all in the world” and that “There is no God but one.” For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth (as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”), yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live. But not everyone possesses this knowledge. Some people are still so accustomed to idols that when they eat sacrificial food they think of it as having been sacrificed to a god, and since their conscience is weak, it is defiled. But food does not bring us near to God; we are no worse if we do not eat, and no better if we do. Be careful, however, that the exercise of your rights does not become a stumbling block to the weak. For if someone with a weak conscience sees you, with all your knowledge, eating in an idol’s temple, won’t that person be emboldened to eat what is sacrificed to idols? So this weak brother or sister, for whom Christ died, is destroyed by your knowledge. When you sin against them in this way and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if what I eat causes my brother or sister to fall into sin, I will never eat meat again, so that I will not cause them to fall.



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