

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DETROIT

Sunday, January 1, 2012 11:00 a.m.

Before the service, speak to God. During the service, let God speak to you. After the service, speak to one another. Tell someone about the goodness of God.

Epiphany Sunday

Meditation: "The church is not made up of spiritual giants; only broken men and women can lead others to the cross."

-David Boesch, A Spirituality of the Road

THE GATHERING OF THE CHURCH

Prelude **James Bain**
"Noel" Henri Mulet

Chimes

Welcome and the Life of the Church **Merna Hoyt**

*Call to Worship **John 8:12** **Merna Hoyt**

*Hymn of Praise **No. 229**
"The First Noel" The First Noel

*Invocation **Merna Hoyt**
*Lord's Prayer (debts) **Merna Hoyt**

*Gloria Patri
**"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."**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading **Terry Matthews**
(O.T., Pg. 641) **Jeremiah 31:7-14**

Prelude to Prayer **No. 196**
"In the Bleak Midwinter" Cranham
(Stanza 1, 2 & 4)
(Please pass prayer inserts to ushers)

Prayers of the People
Organ Response

Offertory Sentences

Offertory

"I Don't Know Why Jesus Loves Me"

Worship Team

James Bain

Andre Crouch

*Doxology **"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"** **No. 34**
(Traditional)

*Prayer of Dedication

*The Peace

Scripture Lesson

(N.T., Pg. 919)

The Rev. Dr. Billie Beverly

Romans 8:28

Anthem

"Were You There on that Christmas Night?"

Chancel Choir

Natalie Sleeth

Meditation

The Rev. Dr. Billie Beverly

"Working Together"

THE MINISTRY OF THE TABLE

*Hymn of Preparation

No. 699

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Let Us Break Bread

*Prayer of Confession

Leader: The Apostle Paul tells us: "Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup" (1 Cor. 11:28)

*In Silent Confession

Leader: O God, our God, great, eternal, wonderful in glory, the hope of all who call out to you. Cleanse us for our sins and from every thought displeasing to you.

People: Cleanse our souls and our bodies, our hearts and our consciences, that with pure hearts and clear minds, we may serve you.

Leader: Help us God, to trust that by the eating of the bread and the drinking of the cup we may come to; thankful remembrance of Jesus Christ.

People: And that by your Holy Spirit, Christ will come to dwell within and among us. Amen.

The Words of Institution

The Bread

The Cup

*Words of Invitation

*Hymn of Invitation

No. 218

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain!”

Go, Tell It

(Persons who wish to profess faith in Christ or to unite with this church are invited to come forward.)

*Benediction

*Postlude

James Bain

Wilbur Held

“Good Christian Men, Rejoice”

***If able, please stand**

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PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER: Ellen Humphrey (Bea Culton’s mother), George Williams, Jameka Armstrong (Ardis Cazeno’s niece), Addie White (mother of Valicia Wiggins, Angelo Craig (Ann Richardson’s brother), Lillian Kiss, Pamela Fain-Zaka (daughter of Edd & Tincie Harrell), Arthur McDaniel (husband of Joyce McDaniel), Laura Love (friend of Eunita Haskins), Fran Matthews, Dorothy Dotson (mother of Terrie Tolliver), Jeanetta Floyd, Gwen Taylor, Alicia Laura (Bob & Deb Rhodes’ niece), Hazel Boltwood, Sandi McMurray (Hazel’s daughter), Julian Wiggins (son of Valicia), Lawrence & Lucille Osborne and family (Dianne Hubbard’s relatives), Stanley Hubbard (brother of Dianne Hubbard), the family of Robert Wiggins, and the family of Myrtle McDonald

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekly Offering Needed - \$3,600.00

Weekly Offering Received - \$2,168.09

Attendance Last Week – 63

Christmas Offering To Date - \$1,438.00

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO REV. BILLIE BEVERLY – We welcome Rev. Billie Beverly to our service today. Billie is known to many of you who will joyfully recall that First Baptist ordained Billie to the ministry.

RETIRED MINISTERS & MISSIONARIES OFFERING – Our church begins our RMMO collection today and will continue throughout the month of January. The RMMO offering honors those dedicated ministers and missionaries who retired with at least 15 years of ABC service. Please use the special envelopes found in your bulletin and write your name on the envelopes. Our 2012 Church Goal is \$800.

PASSED TO BE WITH THE LORD - Myrtle McDonald has passed to be with the Lord. There are no definite funeral plans at this time. Please keep her family in your prayers.

PASTOR'S VACATION – Pastor Bill has been on vacation and will be returning to the office this Wednesday, January 4th. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Mr. Crum (248-443-1221) or the Rev. Billie Beverly (313-531-1236.)

READING THE BIBLE THROUGH IN A YEAR – Pastor Bill has read the Bible through in a year and he encourages everyone to try it. It will prove to be a blessing. All you have to do is read 3-4 chapters a day. **PLEASE PICK UP A COPY OF THE READING GUIDE FOR THE MONTHS OF JANUARY/FEBRUARY IN THE NARTHEX.**

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY – Wed. Morning Bible Study will resume on January 4th at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PEACE WALK – The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 2012 Peace Walk Celebration will be held on Monday, January 16. The walk will begin at 9:30 a.m. at Hope United Methodist Church, which is located at 26275 Northwestern Highway. Participants will walk one mile to the Southfield Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen Road, for a program to be presented at 11:00 a.m. **The FBC-D office will be closed this day.**

ALZHEIMER'S SPEAKER – Dr. Annette T. Carron from Palliative Care in Farmington Hills will be returning to our church to speak on the subject of Alzheimer's and dementia from 2- 4 p.m. on **Saturday, January 28**. Everyone is welcome to join us. Light refreshments will be served.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST

Sunday, January 1, 2012

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School Programs

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service

Monday, January 2/OFFICE CLOSED

6:00 p.m. – AA/FH

Tuesday, January 3

6:00 p.m. – AA/FH

7:30 p.m. – Worship Team Music Practice/S

Wednesday, January 4

10:30 a.m. – Bible Study/CR

6:30 p.m. – Crop Walk Mtg/CR

Thursday, January 5

6:00 p.m. – Dance/FH

7:30 p.m. – Choir /S

Sunday, January 8

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School Programs

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service

12:30 p.m. – S & F Mtg/CR

12:30 p.m. – B & G Mtg/S

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NEW YEAR HOLIDAY – Please note that the office will be closed on Monday, January 2, for the New Year Holiday.

2012 OFFERING ENVELOPES – Please call (248-553-8670) or e-mail (fbcdetroit@comcast.net) the church office if your family would like to be assigned a box of offering envelopes for the 2012 year.

The church will not receive the envelope order until after the first of the year. Please use the pew envelopes until the order is received and distributed to our members.

GOOD BYE – Katie Anderson, our Bookkeeper/Website Administrator, has moved to Arizona. We will miss her and we wish her well. Logan Beatty has returned to be our interim bookkeeper/website administrator.