

*Congregational Singing: "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God" Grace Hymn 318*

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VERSE 1

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,  
Breathe new life into my willing soul;  
Bring the presence of the Risen Lord  
To renew my heart and make me whole.  
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;  
Give me faith for what I cannot see;  
Give me passion for Your purity;  
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

VERSE 2

Holy Spirit, come abide within,  
May Your joy be seen in all I do.  
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin  
In each thought and deed and attitude;  
Kindness to the greatest and the least;  
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.  
Turn my striving into works of grace.  
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

VERSE 3

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth  
Giving life to all that God has made,  
Show Your power once again on earth;  
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.  
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;  
Lead us on the road of sacrifice  
That in unity the face of Christ  
Will be clear for all the world to see.

*Closing Thoughts and Benediction*



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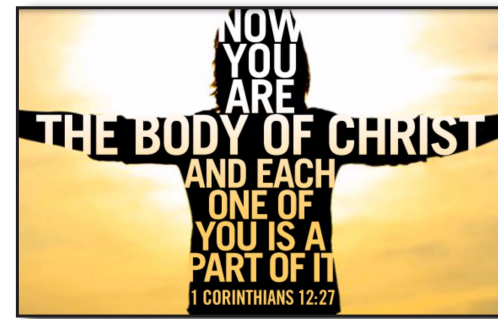
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of FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

January 21, 2024

*Welcome*

Ken Hunt

*Call to Worship*

Dave DeGear

*Congregational Singing: "The Solid Rock" Hymn 526*

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VERSE 1

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

CHORUS

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.

VERSE 2

When darkness veils His lovely face  
I rest on His unchanging grace.  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil.

[sing CHORUS]

VERSE 3

His oath, His covenant, His blood  
Support me in the whelming flood.  
When all around my soul gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay.

[sing CHORUS]

VERSE 4

When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
O, may I then in Him be found!  
Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless to stand before the throne.

[sing CHORUS 2x]

## Scripture Reading – Romans 12:3-16

Charles Brandt

### *Congregational Singing: “Beautiful Savior” Grace Hymn 193*

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#### VERSE 1

All my days I will sing this song of gladness,  
Give my praise to the Fountain of delights;  
For in my helplessness You heard my cry  
And waves of mercy poured down on my life.

#### VERSE 2

I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer.  
I will sing of the blood that never fails,  
Of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed,  
Of death defeated and life without end.

#### CHORUS

Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor,  
Clothed in majesty, Lord of history,  
You’re the Way, the Truth, the Life.  
Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness,  
You’re the Risen One, heaven’s Champion,  
And You reign, You reign over all.

#### VERSE 3

I long to be where the praise is never ending,  
Yearn to dwell where the glory never fades,  
Where countless worshipers will share one song,  
And cries of “Worthy!” will honor the Lamb!

[sing CHORUS]

## Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Jerry Birkholz

### Offertory – *Congregational Singing: “Show Us Christ”*

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#### VERSE 1

Prepare our hearts, O God. Help us to receive.  
Break the hard and stony ground. Help our unbelief.  
Plant Your Word down deep in us;  
Cause it to bear fruit.  
Open up our ears to hear. Lead us in Your truth.

#### CHORUS

Show us Christ. Show us Christ.  
O God, reveal Your glory  
Through the preaching of Your Word  
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord.

#### VERSE 2

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes;  
Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise.  
Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave,  
Riches for the needy soul. Come speak to us today.

[sing CHORUS]

## Message

Pastor Jerry Birkholz

### Encouraging Community for a New Year, Pt. 3 Selected Scriptures — See Insert for Complete Outline

#### WHY I LOVE THE CHURCH

1. It is designed and built by Jesus Christ – Matthew 16:18
2. It has been purchased by Jesus Christ – Acts 20:28;  
1 Corinthians 6:20; Ephesians 5:23
3. It is living expression of the living Savior – Ephesians 5:1
4. It is the unique testimony of corporate worship  
– John 4:23-24; 1 Corinthians 14:20-25
5. It is the unique gathering for edification – Ephesians 4:11-16;  
Hebrews 10:23-25

#### WHAT IS A HEALTHY CHURCH MEMBER?

1. A Disciple.
  - a. Recognizes God is holy – Romans 3:21-25
  - b. Understands man is totally depraved and separated from the holy God – Romans 3:23
  - c. Realizes Jesus became sinful man’s substitute on the cross – Romans 5:8-9
  - d. Realizes salvation is receiving God’s gift of grace through confessional repentance and faith – Romans 10:9-10
2. A Growing Disciple.
  - a. Definition – Ephesians 4:13-16
  - b. Activity – 2 Timothy 2 - 4; Romans 12; Colossians 3
  - c. Expression – Philippians 3:12-16
3. A Gospel-Saturated Disciple. – Ephesians 2:4-7