



RICHMOND'S FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

February 5, 2012 • *Eight Thirty & †Eleven O'Clock
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Wherever Jesus goes in these early chapters of Mark's Gospel he "shows and tells" God's kingdom. He shows it through his healings and exorcisms; he tells it through his preaching and teaching. He wants people to know what the world would look like if God were in charge so that they will begin to hunger and thirst for the Kingdom and work with him to bring heaven to earth. In today's reading he shows the people of Capernaum that if God were in charge there wouldn't be any sickness. Isn't that something we are all hungry and thirsty for, a world like that?

—Jim Somerville

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Steve Booth

HARP PRELUDE, "Pavane"

Anonymous

Kathryn Marqueen, harp

We keep silence during the Prelude, using this time to make the transition between our relaxed and joyful coming together and the respectful, intentional worship of God. Take this opportunity to fold your hands, to quiet your thoughts, to still your soul, to open your heart. In the sanctity of this moment, prepare yourself for an encounter with the living God.

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 147, The Message)

Mary Hiteman

Leader: Hallelujah! It's a good thing to sing praise to our God;
Praise is beautiful, praise is fitting.

People: Sing to GOD a thanksgiving hymn,
Play music on your instruments to God,
Who fills the sky with clouds, preparing rain for the earth,
Then turning the mountains green with grass,
Feeding both cattle and crows.

Leader: He's not impressed with horsepower;
The size of our muscles means little to him.

People: Those who fear GOD get GOD's attention;
they can depend on his strength.

HYMN NO. 319, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

LOBE DEN HERREN

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON, Isaiah 40:21-31 (Pew Bible page 1120)

Alfred Freeman

HYMN NO. 540, "We Cannot Measure How You Heal"

YE BANKS AND BRAES

PASTORAL PRAYER

Lynn Turner

HYMN NO. 323, "How Great Thou Art"

HOW GREAT THOU ART

Children are invited to attend children's worship at this time. (11:00 a.m. only)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Steve Blanchard

OFFERTORY

"I Often Dance"
One Accord

Halquist

DOXOLOGY, No. 706

OLD 100TH

DEDICATION OF GIFTS

Ralph Starling

THE GOSPEL, Mark 1:29-39 (Pew Bible Page 1553)

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CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE, "Eye Has Not Seen"

Mitchell

Through the one-ness of the Spi-rit, through the pow-er from a - bove, Through the strength of Christ in -
dwell - ing, we com - mit to share His love. For_ eye has not seen, ear has not heard what
God's pre-pared for those who love Him. Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God's pre-pared for_ us.

ANTHEM

"A Promise for Strength"
Church Choir

Schwoebel

SERMON

"Showing and Telling the Kingdom"

Jim Somerville

GATHERING AT THE LORD'S TABLE

THE SERVING OF THE ELEMENTS

HARP SOLO

"Menuet"
Kathryn Marqueen, harp

Salvedo

THE BREAD "THIS IS MY BODY BROKEN FOR YOU."

THE CUP "THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT SHED FOR YOU."

HYMN NO. 496, "Footsteps of Jesus"

FOOTSTEPS

If you wish to publicly profess your faith in Jesus Christ, to reaffirm your commitment to Him, or to join the membership of this church, you are invited to come forward during the hymn or speak with one of the ministers after the service.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Jim Somerville

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE, "The Lord's Prayer"

Malotte

ORGAN POSTLUDE, Postlude in D

Willan



Participating in today's service...

Kathryn Marqueen, a senior at Maggie Walker Governor's School, is an active member of the American Youth Harp Ensemble. She also plays piano, field hockey, and tennis.

Alfred Freeman, employed by Owens & Minor, is a member of the Roundtable Sunday school class and assists with CARITAS. He and his wife, Abby, have a daughter, Laura.