

Thank you for joining us for worship today. Wake Forest Baptist Church is an open and affirming congregation, welcoming all people, no matter their race, economic status, gender expression, or sexual orientation into full membership and leadership. Visitors, please take a moment to sign

our guest book.

Bring your Beans! Beans! Offering. The basket is available every Sunday for you to place your dried beans donation for the **New Communion Mobile Pantry.**

Following worship, please join us for a church conference. There will be no reception.

Today two new Sunday school classes began:

- A book discussion of A Lens of Love: Reading the Bible in Its World for Our World by new WFU School of Divinity Dean, Jonathan Walton. The class is being led by Steve Andrews. If you would like us to order a book for you, please contact Eve or Lia. (For the next class, read chapter 1 & 2.)
- Encounter began today! Rayce Lamb is leading a new student and young adult Sunday school class called Encounter. This class will meet in the Faculty Lounge. This is the perfect class to invite your young friends to join!

Our Vision

We will **continue to celebrate God's image in all people** by learning about and honoring other people's cultures and identities. We commit to making sure that all who visit, attend, and join Wake Forest Baptist Church feel seen and heard.

We will **care for one another in all stages of life**, from children to our seniors, from birth to death, through all of life's transitions, and we commit to accessibility for all people.

We continue to value our relationships with Wake Forest University and its students' contributions. We will work to provide spiritual succor and resources for them.

We will **seek justice in our communities** (congregation, neighborhood, city, state, nation and world), and let our voices be heard.

We continue to recognize the important role of worship in our life together. One way we do that is through musical diversity, which reflects the diversity of our interests and our commitment to the arts.

You can now Text to Give! If you'd like to make your offering with a text message, just text **WFBC Offering** to **73256.** Standard text message rates apply. More options for online giving are coming soon!

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Wake Forest Baptist Church is a progressive, welcoming and affirming Christian community committed to Jesus Christ. We value prophetic worship, thoughtful religious education, social justice, and peacemaking.

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Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 26, 2020

Prelude Sally Ann Morris

Welcome and Opening Words

* Call to Worship (bold in unison)

May the Force be with you.

And also with you.

The belonging you seek is ahead of you.

The light which has always been there will guide us.

* Hymn Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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Lia Scholl

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish, but naught changest thee.

Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praises we render: O help us to see that only the splendor of light hideth thee.

* Opening Prayer

Rayce Lamb

* Sharing the Peace of Christ Give Us Light

Give us Light, give us light, give us light, O Lord.

Give us Peace...

Give us Love....

Prayers of the People

Alexx Andersen

Lesson from Our Sacred Text

Mark 3:1-12; 19b-35

Then he went home; and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons."

Star Wars Video

Interlude

Sermon You Don't Know the Power of the Dark Side

Lia Scholl

* Hymn (see insert)

Christ, Be Our Light

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

Sharing Our Gifts

* Presenting Our Gifts Praise God the Source of Life

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, the source of life and breath; praise Christ, now born to conquer death.
Praise Holy Spirit's mystery:
One God, pure grace, who sets us free.

* Prayer of Gratitude and Celebration

* Sending Music

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my redeemer, my love thou hast won, thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Benediction

Postlude * Hymn

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Christ, Be Our Light



* Hymn



