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!

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.

Prelude

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

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 26, 2020

Sally Ann Morris

Lia Scholl

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St. DENIO
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.”

* Presenting Our Gifts
Praise God the Source of Life
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
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:
thy 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.

* Hymn (see insert)

* Hymn

Christ, Be Our Light

Sharing Our Gifts

Old Hundredth

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

Benediction

Postlude
Hymn

Christ, Be Our Light

Em Am7 Bm7 Esus Em
1 Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
2 Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
3 Long-ing for food, man-y are hun-gry. Long-ing for
4 Long-ing for shel-ter, man-y are home-less. Long-ing for
5 Man-y the gifts, man-y the peo-ple, man-y the

Am7 Bm7 Esus Em Am7
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
hope, man-y de-spair. Your word a lone
war-mth that yearn to be-long. Let us be ser-vants

D G C Am Dsus D
your ho-ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.
has power to save us. Make us your liv-ing voice.
bro-ken for oth-ers, shared un-til all are fed.
shel-ter ing oth-ers, walls made of liv-ing stone.

to one an-oth-er, mak-ing your king-dom come.
Refrain G C G Em Bm Em

Am7 D G Dsus D Em Em7
dark-ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your

C Am7 D G Am7 G
church gath-ered to-day.