



Mary anoints
Jesus with
Oil



Our Worship of God

March 12, 2017

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

~ The Second Sunday of the Season of Lent ~ “Poured Out: Oil”

Welcome and Announcements

Invitation to Worship

Oil was an essential element of life in the time of Jesus and was used for many purposes: to make something smell better, to soften the skin, for healing, for burial, and to mark someone as “anointed,” special, honored, lifted up. We hear of all these purposes in the scriptures. Oil came in many forms, and it was the oil mixed with costly herbs and perfumes which Mary used to anoint Jesus’ feet at a meal at the beginning of that fateful week. This oil, this gesture would turn out to be an ironic precursor to the anointing of Jesus’ dead body for his burial only a few days later.

Invitation to anointing

Mary's anointing of Jesus belonged to the tradition of honoring someone with sweet-smelling oil made of a combination of many herbs. This was used at the investiture of royalty and also as anointing for burial. In this one act, Mary offers signs of love and honor. The early Christians then used this same scented oil as part of their baptismal and confirmation rites to emphasize their new identity with Christ (which also means "anointed one").

Call to Worship (Responsive)

You enter our lives as a sweet perfume.

A fragrant offering poured into lives open to receive.

The gift of your spirit freely given,

refreshing hearts, reviving souls.

Flowing in

Flowing out

You enter our lives as sweet perfume,

a fragrant offering carried into the world

by hands that care, hearts that love and lives that serve.

Anointing

As we sing, all are invited to walk to the front of the sanctuary to reclaim, reaffirm or renew your identity with Christ.

Expressing Our Love for Christ through Song

Your Love

Song of God's Beauty

What a Beautiful Name

Invitation to Pass the Peace of Christ

Mary, friend of Jesus

Karlye Jeffries

Lillian Hoell, reader

†Gospel Reading

Jen Boeckman

John 12:1-11

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.)

Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Christ.

Song of Togetherness

Hold Us Together

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Give Me Jesus

Message

Mary, Friend of Jesus

Carol McEntyre

Prayer: Extravagant Love (responsive)

Extravagant God, who gave all,
even your life, without calculating the cost,

your love is everywhere.

You do not hold your love back
to be admired from a distance

**but pour your precious gift
out for us at great price.**

Like perfume
from an overturned bottle,
it spills from your heart into ours.
So may we love –

purely,
dangerously,
wildly,
extravagantly,
creating a scandal of grace.

Let us love for love's sake, seeing each day as the chance
to do a spontaneous, irrational, risky act of love
in Christ's name

whose love so amazing, so divine,
demandes our souls, our lives, our all. Amen.

† Song of Response

Ever Be

† Benediction (responsive)

Dismissal

Week at a Glance

Sunday, March 12

12:15-1:30 pm Sermon Discussion Group
4-4:50 pm Children's Music
5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study

Conference Room
Sanctuary
Youth Suite

Monday, March 13

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga
1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting

Parlor
Conference Room

Wednesday, March 15

6:15-7:15 pm The Calling for 6th-12th Grade
6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal
7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Youth Suite
Sanctuary
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Friday, March 17

7-9 pm M-Odyssey Concert

Sanctuary

Sunday, March 19

4-4:50 pm Children's Music
5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study

Sanctuary
Youth Suite

Announcements

First Baptist Adventures

Our next Adventure is a celebration of St. Patrick's Day at an Italian restaurant. We will meet at "McOlive Garden" at 5:45 pm on Friday, March 17th for dinner. Please RSVP by March 15th by calling the church office at 442-1149, or emailing

churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org

M-Odyssey Concert

The Odyssey Chamber Music Series continues its initiative to mentor and provide real work experience in music administration to young professionals. The concert is created and produced by a few outstanding musicians with the guidance of the Artistic Director and a supervising Board Member of the series. The title reflects the more modern (MOD) Odyssey for younger musicians. The concert is Friday, March 17th at 7 pm in our sanctuary.

Easter Egg Hunt

Save the date for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15 from 10 am – noon!

Quest Family Camp

Quest Family Camp, scheduled for July 2nd – 7th, is a new approach to summer camp. In keeping with First Baptist's student ministry goals, the camp is for all families with kids from preschool to college, and will be a youth camp, kids' camp, adult retreat, family vacation, and a chance to get away and be with God – all rolled into one great experience! More details are in the March 1 Spire. Cost and registration information will be published soon.

Historical Photo Identification

Please stop by the 2nd floor conference room anytime Monday-Friday, March 13-17 from 10 am – noon or 1:30-3:30 to help identify people and events in some of our wonderful historic photos! Someone will be there to help you.

Announcements

Mission Trip to South Dakota

Following on last summer's wonderful youth mission experience at Bridger, South Dakota, the 2017 experience will be open to people of all generations. The week of June 10 – 15 we will take up to 20 people to the reservation for light construction work, building fencing for horses, engaging in the community, and connecting with the kids on the reservation. More details, including cost for the trip and supply needs, will be available in the coming weeks. If you are interested in going, please contact Michael McEntyre at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org.

Worship Notes

The call to worship is posted at

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My notes:



9:15 am Awakening Worship Service

For those who may prefer a more traditional worship experience, First Baptist Church offers Traditional Worship at 11:15 a.m. each Sunday in the Sanctuary.

For Children During Worship:

1st- 5th Graders are encouraged to participate in worship with their family.

Children (Birth-Kindergarten) can be dropped off in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary, prior to worship where they will be cared for by our professional staff.

10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:

Birth-Age 3 childcare is provided by our professional staff in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary.

First Kids Sunday School (3 year olds through 5th grade) is on the third floor.

Youth Bible Study (grades 6-12) is on the third floor.

Adult Small Groups which dive into various topics (visitors and guests welcomed):

Discussion Class in the Parlor on the second floor.

Faith Forum in the second floor classroom, next to the elevator.

Community Small Group in the conference on the second floor.

Young Adult Small Group in the 2nd floor library.

Church Staff

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