

McPHAIL MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH AT WORSHIP  
Sunday, February 11, 2024

“If we can't make peace with ourselves as we are, we never will be able to make peace with ourselves. This requires the courage to be imperfect.”  
— *Rudolf Dreikurs*

THE PRELUDE AS WE GATHER

INVITATION TO WORSHIP (congregation standing)

LEADER: Sing praises to God and give thanks to God's holy name!

PEOPLE: **We exalt you, O God, for you have restored us to life!**

LEADER: We may cry through the night, but your joy comes in the morning.

PEOPLE: **You hear us, O God, and you are gracious in our distress.**

LEADER: You turn our mourning into dancing!

PEOPLE: **Our souls cannot be silent! O God, we give you thanks!**

HYMN OF PRAISE “Fairest Lord Jesus” #115

PRAYER (together, seated)

O God, we praise thee for gifts of mind with which thou hast endowed us. Teach us, we pray, how to use this great gift of reason and imagination so that it shall not be a curse but a blessing. Grant us visions that shall lift us into the light of thine own holy presence. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

—*Martin Luther King Jr.*

Sung Softly Together #452

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,  
Look full in His wonderful face;  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace.

RESPONSIVE PSALM From Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear my voice!**

Let your ears be attentive to my voice.

**Lord, hear my supplications!**

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,

**Lord, who could stand?**

But there is forgiveness with you,

**So that you may be revered.**

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

“Who can say, ‘I declare my heart pure. I am clean of my offence’?”  
(Prov 20:9 Robert Alter Tr.)

HYMN “Open My Eyes, That I May See ” #557

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE GIVING OF OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory Music

Sung response

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Offering Prayer

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN “Grace Greater than Our Sin” #472

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SERMON                                    *"Courage To Be Imperfect"*  
CLOSING HYMN                        *"Be Thou My Vision"*                        #532  
BENEDICTION

THE GOING FORTH (together)

Saviour, again to your dear name we raise  
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;  
We give you thanks before our worship cease,  
And now departing, wait your word of peace.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

**OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP IS ENDED: OUR SERVICE IN THE WORLD BEGINS**

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Welcome to our service of worship today. Please join us downstairs following the service for coffee and refreshments. If you are visiting with us, please sign the guest book at the back of the sanctuary.

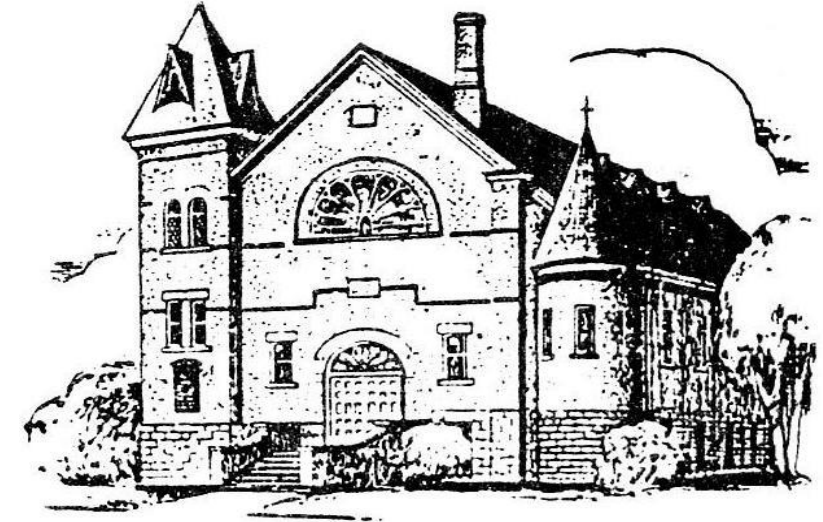
## *The Announcements*

### **Ernie Cox and the London Trio Plus**

Will be presenting a concert celebrating Black History Month on Tuesday, February 13 at 12:10, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Kent Street. This concert is part of the church's Music as Sanctuary program. Admission is free, but a free will donation would be appreciated.

### **McPhail Annual Meeting**

Sunday, March 3 following the service. Please plan to stay as we look at the year that was and plan for the year ahead.



*Since 1888, a church  
Creating Hope, Changing Lives.  
Yesterday. Today. Tomorrow.*

***Everyone is Welcome!***

Minister:                                    Rev. Steve Zink  
Minister Emeritus:                        Rev. Ernie Cox  
Director of Music:                        Sue Sparks

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