

MBC Worship Service - January 24th, 2021

Call to Worship - Chair

Come, bow down and worship, kneel to the Lord, our Maker.

This is our God, our shepherd, we are the flock led with care.

—Psalm 95:6-7

Call to Confession

In spite of God's love for us and gift of love to us,
we often act in destructive and hateful ways.

We close our hearts to God and disobey God's law.

Together let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God and loving Father,

**We thank you for placing us in covenant relationships,
in homes and families and friendships.**

Forgive us for taking our vows and promises lightly.

**Forgive us for the breakdown of family life,
for misdirected love and for divorces entered lightly,
for failing to give time to our families,**

**for failing to teach and live by your values,
for neglecting and abusing our children.**

Jesus, our heavenly brother,

**teach us every day to love and serve,
to cherish and protect those with whom we live.**

In your name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

The LORD builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
He heals the brokenhearted,
and binds up their wounds.
Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.

—Psalm 147:2-3, 5

Responsive Reading Psalm 147:1-6

Praise the Lord!
For it is good to sing praises to our God;
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.
The Lord builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.
He determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.
Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.
The Lord lifts up the humble;
he casts the wicked to the ground.

Sermon: Broken Relationships

Text: Philippians 4:2-3

Big Idea: God empowers us to mend relationships.

- Outline:
1. What We Do & Don't Know
 2. Troubles
 3. Grace
 4. Making the Gospel Contextual

Benediction

As we go, know that we go
with the love of God the Father,
the grace of God the Son,
and the fellowship of God the Spirit.

Amen