

THE OLIN T. BINKLEY MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

FEBRUARY 16, 2020
THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



Godefroid Mudaheranwa, Perpetrator (left), Evasta Mukanyandwi, Survivor

Mudaheranwa:

“I burned her house. I attacked her in order to kill her and her children, but God protected them, and they escaped. When I was released from jail, if I saw her, I would run and hide. Then AMI started to provide us with trainings. I decided to ask her for forgiveness. To have good relationships with the person to whom you did evil deeds — we thank God.”

Mukanyandwi:

“I used to hate him. When he came to my house and knelt down before me and asked for forgiveness, I was moved by his sincerity. Now, if I cry for help, he comes to rescue me. When I face any issue, I call him.”

Twenty years after the genocide in Rwanda, reconciliation still happens one encounter at a time.

The photo above is from the Portraits of Reconciliation collection created by Creative Court. It appeared in a NY Times publication on April 6, 2014.

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE SANCTUS BELL

PRELUDE

On Eagle's Wings

Charles Callahan

Kyle Ballantine, organ

INTROIT

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Dale Wood

The text is that of hymn 275.

The Chancel Choir

INVOCATION

Stephanie Ford

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: I am inspired to rise up even when the weight of the world oppresses me.

Many: Rise up you say?! What in the world can make us rise up when the burdens of sickness, cruelty, violence and loneliness work together to pin us down?

One: I am inspired to rise up by the sunlight of a new day. I rise up to see who I am and who I might help.

Many: Rise up you say?! You must be dreaming. This world is full of conflict and woe. Rise up you say?! Where in the world will you go when you rise?

One: I am inspired to rise up by the birds as they sing. I rise up to greet the one who has harmed me. I rise up to greet the one I have harmed.

All: Let us rise up then, in reconciliation and praise!

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Let All Things Now Living

717

* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: And also with you.

Please greet one another with this ancient sign of welcome and extension of hospitality and peace.

* SONG OF PRAISE

Rise Up, O Saints of God

FESTAL SONG

Rise up, O saints of God! and set your sights a - bove;
give heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the God of love.

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH, SERVICE, & FELLOWSHIP

Dale Osborne

Please pass the Friendship Registers found on each row. Complete the requested information and then pass it back down the row. Thank you for worshipping with us at Binkley!

After the announcements, children age 4-5th grade are invited to recess to the back of the Sanctuary for Worship with Children.

PRAYING & LISTENING

OUR KNOWN JOYS & CONCERNS

Marcus McFaul

MORNING PRAYER

SONG OF PREPARATION

Thy Word

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Jordan Taylor, soloist

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Hannah Osborne, lector

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying God, and holding fast to God; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham and Sara, to Isaac and Rebecca, and to Jacob and Rachel.

SONG OF RESPONSE

Thy Word

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:21-24

“You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder’; and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.”

SONG OF RESPONSE

Thy Word

SERMON

“Choices”

Dale Osborne

WELCOME TO BINKLEY!

Binkley Baptist Church is a community of faith on a journey that calls for questioning, humility and conviction. As followers of Jesus, we embrace spiritual growth, mutual care, and service, assured that as we serve our neighbors, we joyfully serve God. Intentionally inclusive, we welcome people of all races, sexual orientations, and cultures, respecting diverse religious experiences within the church and beyond. We invite others to join us in our commitment to peace, justice, and care for creation. In a spirit of Christian love, we welcome you.



*The mission of Binkley Baptist Church is
building compassionate and joyful community,
freely exploring spiritual paths,
and pursuing justice and peace in the way of Jesus.*

THIS WEEK AT BINKLEY

Sunday	2/16	9:00 am	Morning Celebration	Lounge
		9:30 am	Sunday School	
		11:00 am	Worship: <i>Dale Osborne preaching</i>	Sanctuary
		12:15 pm	Church-in-Conference to approve 2020 Budget	Fellowship Hall
		12:30 pm	Humanitarian Crisis Work Group Meeting	Fellowship Hall
		4:30 pm	Bell Choir	Choir Room
		7:00 pm	Youth Group	Osborne Home
Monday	2/17	7:00 pm	Church Council	Lounge
Tuesday	2/18	9:30 am	Staff Meeting	Library
		1:00 pm	Sermon Shaping	Library
Wednesday	2/19	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
		5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Series	Fellowship Hall
		7:30 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
Thursday	2/20	9:30 am	Grounds Committee	Library
		5:15	Health Ministries Sponsored Yoga Class	Fellowship Hall
		7:00 pm	Living the Questions	Lounge
Sunday	2/23	9:00 am	Morning Celebration	Lounge
		9:30 am	Sunday School	
		11:00 am	Worship: <i>Marcus McFaul preaching</i>	Sanctuary
		12:15 pm	<i>Birds</i> Lunch & Listen	Lounge
		4:30 pm	Bell Choir	Choir Room
6:00 pm	Youth Group	Sunroom/Lounge		

WORSHIP WITH CHILDREN: Children ages 4-5th grade are invited to join Stephanie Ford at the back of the Sanctuary. She will lead the children to the Sunroom. The focus will be centered on forgiveness and making amends in the ways that Jesus taught. Your child(ren) can be picked up there after the service ends.

2020 PROGRAM OF MINISTRY BUDGET MEETING: The vote to approve the budget will take place at a **Church-in-Conference** after worship today. Members should plan to stay to participate in this important vote.

HUMANITARIAN CRISIS WORKGROUP UPDATE: TODAY: All are welcome to our next Workgroup Meeting following this morning's worship service and Church-in-Conference. Bring a bag lunch, drinks and cookies provided. Susan Ketchin and Bob Winstead will debut and teach us the beautiful song that Susan has written for the cause. We will make plans for the important next steps needed to respond to the crisis. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

FOR PENNIES A MEAL: Environmental Activism. Wednesday, Feb. 19, 5:30 pm, Fellowship Hall: Matt Russell is the Executive Director of Iowa Interfaith Power & Light. While he is in Chapel Hill speaking at the UNC Clean Tech Summit, he will join us at Binkley to share ideas about how the federal government can incentivize a better environment. A minister by training, Matt has spent the last 16 years working on economic and environmental sustainability. **This event is being opened to the public and requires online registration. Space is limited. Go to bit.ly/matrussellatbinkley to register. Registration for the meal closes at 5 pm TODAY. After that, you can register for the program only until 4:30 pm on 2/19.**

BIRDS LUNCH & LISTEN: Sunday, Feb. 23, 12:15 pm, Lounge: Join poet, Laurence Avery, along with artist/illustrator, Patricia Lockwood Davis, as they reflect on his most

recent book of poetry, *Birds*. Besides reading his poems, Laurence will dialogue with Patricia about their collaboration. Playful, fascinating poems, and beautiful drawings. A light lunch provided. *Please RSVP by noon on Friday, February 21 to Stephanie Ford, stephanie@binkleychurch.org.*

WEAVING BEAUTY INTO OUR LIVES: Binkley Women's Retreat, April 24-26, 2020. Plan to join new and old friends at our annual retreat, this year in a new spot: Blowing Rock Conference Center. We'll enjoy the NC mountains in spring, while reflecting on ways that nature, art, music, poetry, and more bring the healing and hope we all need. You are invited to share your gifts! Registration opens February 16th. See Stephanie Ford (stephanie@binkleychurch.org) for details. Registration forms at Stephanie's office door.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER AND TALENT SHOW: Feb. 25, 5:45 pm, Fellowship Hall: The annual **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** will be led by the youth of the church and includes a terrific Talent Show. *All ages are encouraged to sign up in the narthex. Singers, jokesters, musicians, scientists, poets, dancers, etc. are all encouraged to sign up.* The cost for the meal (pancakes, waffles, sausage, fresh fruit and beverages) is \$9.00 for 6th grade and above and \$7.00 for 5th grade and below. Proceeds from the meal will support our Baptist Youth Camp scholarships. The meal begins at 5:45 pm and is served until approximately 6:30 pm when the Talent Show begins. Please join us for this night of fellowship through food, fun, and frivolity!

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES: Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, **February 26**. We will hold two services that day: one at **noon in the Chapel**, and one at **6 pm in the Sanctuary**.

HEALTH MINISTRIES SPONSORED BLOOD DRIVE: Thursday, March 5, 2-6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall. Visit redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code 'Binkley' to make your appointment.

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Night *-to-* Remember

A Coffee House Benefit for:

The Orange County Bail/Bond Justice
Project

-and-

The UNC MLK Scholarship Fund

featuring
Caryl
Thomason
Price
-and-
Mike
Davis



*American Songbook tunes--
bring your dancing shoes!*

Saturday, February 29
7:00 PM
Binkley Baptist Church
1712 Willow Drive
Chapel Hill

*-with-
Special
Guest:
Scott
Sawyer*



Tickets available after worship for \$25

BINKLEY PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

CHURCH FAMILY

Priscilla Bratcher
Rachel Avery
Mable Strowd
Don Reinfurt

Marcella & Bobby Wagoner
Weldon Thornton
H'Bop Siu
Edith Wiggins

Barbara Upshaw
Gladess Crisp
Robin Brice

*Our condolences to the family of Tom McCollough who died on January 27, 2020.
His memorial service will be held at 2:30 pm this afternoon (2/16) at Croasdaile Village.*

HEALTH CENTER RESIDENTS AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

Ann Overton

Judy Eastman

Bill Bodkin

EXTENDED FAMILY

Aaron and Vianey Perkinson,
Moody AFB, Valdosta, GA (Nape Baker)
Christine Mortensen (Jennifer Mahoney)
Nanh & Veo Siu (Ehn Rocham & Phyt Siu)
Tan & Scott Coats (Burma missionaries)
Maria de la Mata Bruno (Maribel Bruno)
Susan Elaine O'Neal (Janet O'Neal)
Pinheiro Baptist Church, Maceio, Brazil
Tara Strickland Hogan (The Walker Family)
Valerie & Percell Harper (April Harper)
The Grindheim Family (Binkley Preschool)
Barbara Fulcher (Caryl Fulcher)
Rosa del Carmen Ortez-Cruz (in Sanctuary at Church of the Reconciliation)

The Comprehensive Rural Health Project,
Jamkhed (Connie Gates)
Tom Long (Karen Long)
David Houser (Paul Lindsay)
Lisa London (Karen Long)
Fred Clifford (Dick Clifford)
Dan McInnis (Gary Stutts)
Scott Carpenter (Libba Wells)
Kathy Walmer (Julie Lentz)
Charles Brewer (Emily Brewer)
Allyson McCauley (Swanson-Boyd Family)
The Patterson Family (Caryl Fulcher)

The Binkley Church Council
The Binkley Diaconate
Johnny O'Neal (Janet O'Neal)
Ethan Zolit (Martha Hutt)
Leigh Ann Zirkle (Franklin Zirkle)
Mac McNairy (Bill McNairy)
Doris Tillman (Lori Barbier)
James Hutt (Martha Hutt)
Elaine Jeffcoat (Martha Green)
Laura Wunder (Ann Cockrell)
Nina Nissler (Ashley Nissler)
Richard Krajeski (Connie Gates)
Tom Csider (Josh McIntyre)

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