

Plymouth First Baptist Church

January 22, 2023

9:45 AM Sunday School
10:50 AM Church Family Announcements
11 AM Morning Worship

Organ Prelude

BJ Lyle

Welcome & Prayer

Pastor Paul

Praise Songs

*Open the Eyes of My Heart
God Will Make a Way*

Congregation

Scripture Reading & Prayer

Romans 12:9-18

Loyd Jones

Ministry of Music

FBC Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Paul

Offertory Hymn#670

*Make Me a Blessing
Vs. 1,2,3*

Congregation

Offertory Scripture & Prayer

1 Corinthians 2:9 "it is written, what no eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no human heart has conceived—God has prepared these things for those who love him."

Offering

Ushers

Doxology

Congregation

Sermon: Dear Friend, imitate the good.

Scriptures: 3rd John: Proverbs 4:20-23: 1 Timothy 4:8; 2 John 10,11; Luke 9:4-6; Acts 4:12:1; Timothy 4:1-2; Isaiah 5:20-21

This morning we are going to read over the shoulder of a man named Gaius who received a letter from a dear friend, John the apostle. The letter probably travelled a few hundred miles from Jerusalem to Western Turkey. John is writing to encourage Gaius and to instruct him on some issues that have arisen in Gaius' church. Gaius is probably a leader, but the church is being bullied by a man named Diotrephes. The letter is warm and friendly yet to the point regarding truth, hospitality and imitating what is good and not what is evil. The letter also reveals the importance of friendship.

The Greeting: Let us desire the best.

The Issue of Hospitality: Let us be welcoming yet discerning.

Welcome: GREEK- a glad affirmation; happy speech.

The Bully Diotrephes: Let us be courageous.

The Reality of Good and Evil: Let us be clear.

The Blessed Demetrius: Let us commend the good.

The Priority of Friendship: Let us be Intentional.

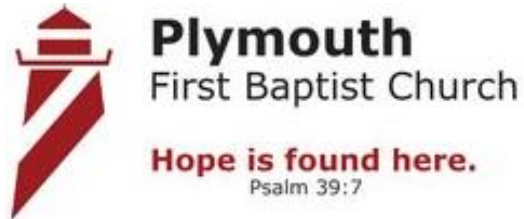
The Live Facebook feed ends after the sermon.

Hymn of Invitation#384

Spirit Song

Congregation

If you are in need of counsel, come forward during the closing hymn or see one of the pastors after the service- We would be honored to speak to you!



Rev. Paul T. Harrington, Senior Pastor
Loyd Jones, Associate Pastor
Scott Bradshaw, Worship Director
B.J. Lyle, Organist
Danita Davis, Church Office Administrator
Scott Smith, Deacon of the Month

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