

Bulletin Information
January 9, 2022
Baptism of the Lord

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude

Lighting the Candles and Ringing the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

One: The voice of God resounds upon the water.
All: The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream.
One: The Son of God is named, "Beloved."
All: And all who worship him shout, "Glory!"
One: Ascribe to the Lord majesty and strength.
All: Let us worship God in holy splendor.

Morning Prayer

*Hymn

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

PH-464

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We are precious in your sight, yet we often forget that we are your beloved. We confess that our love is fickle and inconstant. We follow selfish goals and deny that our own way of life harms others and hurts your world. We are sorry and we want to change. Create in us a clean heart, strengthen our resolve, reconcile us one to another...

(Pause for a few moments of silent reflection and personal confession.)

...and bless us with your peace. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Words of Peace

*Congregational Response

Glory Be to the Father

PH #579

We Listen For God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 43:1-7

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm & Psalm Prayer

Psalm 29

One: Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

All: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

One: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

All: The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

One: The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

All: the Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

One: The voice of the Lord bursts forth in lightning flashes.

All: The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

One: The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory."

All: The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as sovereign forevermore.

O Lord, give strength to your people; give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace.

One: God of splendor, your voice thunders over the waters as you reign over the flood. Give strength to your people who are born anew by water and the Spirit, that we may praise your wonderful deeds and give you the glory due your name; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

New Testament Lesson

Acts 8:14-17

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Identity & Purpose

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn

When Jesus Came to Jordan

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Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

*Congregational Response

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith

Col. 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been

created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

We Leave to Serve God

*Hymn *To God Be the Glory* PH-485

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response *Song of Hope* PH-432

Postlude

Sermon Text for next Sunday: John 2:1-11