

# MORNING WORSHIP

January 9, 2022

Half past Ten O'Clock

## Baptism of the Lord

*When the organ begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation. Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE

*From Heaven Above to Earth I Come*

J. S. Bach

CHORAL INTROIT

"Take Me to the Water"

TAKE ME TO THE WATER

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 29

Leader: The voice of God resounds upon the water.

**Congregation: The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream.**

Leader: The Son of God is named, "Beloved".

**Congregation: And all who worship shout out, "Glory!"**

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord majesty and strength.

**Congregation: Let us worship God in holy splendor.**

+\*HYMN 484

"Out of Deep, Unordered Water"

RUSTINGTON

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Isaiah 43:4; Luke 3:22

**We are precious in Your sight, yet we often forget that we are Your beloved. We confess that our love is fickle and inconsistent. We follow selfish goals and deny that our 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, and bless us with Your peace. (silent prayer) Amen.**

\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 43:1

*Thus says the Lord, The One who created you, O Jacob, The One who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.*

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

*Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, elementary children are invited to the Chapel.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Selected verses Luke 3:1-22, pew Bible, pg. 934

SERMON

"Look Out, Incoming Dove!"

Lori Archer Raible

HYMN OF RESPONSE (two times, seated) "Spirit of the Living God"

LIVING GOD

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE LOAF AND THE CUP

*To receive the bread and the cup – process down the side aisles, take a piece of bread and a cup, then return to your pew by the center aisle. Please keep your mask on, and maintain social distance. If for any reason you prefer not to come forward, please raise your hand and the Elders will be glad to serve you in your pew. Gluten free bread is available on both tables.*

HYMN 525 (seated during communion) “Let us Break Bread Together”

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

Text to Give

704-734-9818

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

NETTLETON

\*DOXOLOGY (HYMN 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

**O God, at His baptism, You acknowledged Jesus as Your beloved Son, and through Him You opened to us a way to become Your children by grace. May these gifts we return to You be a sign of our dedication to live as Your faithful children born in the waters of baptism by the power of the Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN 481

“I Believe in God the Father”

GENEVAN

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

“Baptized in Water”

BUNESSAN

POSTLUDE

*Go Tell it on the Mountain*

J. Wayne Kerr

\*Those who are able please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshipers

## SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate. Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

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