

MORNING WORSHIP

January 12, 2020

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

INTROIT

"Take Me to the Water"

TAKE ME TO THE WATER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 29

Leader: We gather to worship the Living Water!

People: Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Spring up, oh Well, within our souls!

Leader: The voice of the Lord is over the waters! Can you hear it?

In our dry and arid places, Christ is the eternal well that never runs dry.

People: The God of Glory thunders over might waters! Oh Living Water, stir us up.

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty! Can you hear it?

It breaks the cedars and flashes forth flames of fire! Are you listening?

People: Burst forth within us, overflow and saturate the stagnant areas of our lives.

**The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness, causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare!
Reconnect us to our true Source.**

Leader: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood.

May the Lord give us strength and bless His people with peace.

All: Take us to the waters! We are listening. Let us remember our baptism and be thankful!

+*HYMN 492

"Baptized in Water"

BUNESSAN

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*LITANY OF CONFESSION

Leader: Covenant God of all righteousness, we need the life and grace that You alone can give.

People: Open the heavens and pour out Your Holy Spirit so we may live as Your beloved children.

Our words are too sharp, our mistrust is too thick, our cynicism is too cruel, our judgment is self-righteous, our insecurity is too weak. The fires are too hot. The waters are too deep.

We despair. We boast, we rank, we exclude, we ignore, we do nothing, we lack faith.

Leader: Are You with us, Emmanuel?

People: We doubt.

Leader: Forgive us now, wash us clean by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Just as Your Son rose out of the River Jordan, let us take our first breaths, full of grace, full of gratitude, full of peace. Amen.

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 40:28-31

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

Congregation: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*SUNG RESPONSE

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”
**Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am wholly Thine,
Until this earthly part of me glows with Thy fire divine.**

TRENTHAM

**Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life Of Thine eternity.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

*Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, kindergarteners and first graders are invited to Children’s Worship.
They will return to the Sanctuary during the Doxology.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 3:13-17, pew Bible, p.879

SERMON

“Well Pleased”

Lori Archer Raible

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 center aisle, take a piece of bread; dip the bread in the cup, and return to your pew by the outside aisles. 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. If you would like gluten free bread, please go to the server nearest the flowers [pulpit side] and indicate your preference to the Elder.

As you come forward for the Lord’s Supper, you are invited to remember your baptism by dipping your fingers in the baptismal font, and making the sign of the cross on your forehead.

COMMUNION HYMN 513 (seated)

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

LET US BREAK BREAD

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Here is the Little Door”

Herbert Howells

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 592)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**God of grace and glory, You call us with Your voice of flame to be Your people, faithful and courageous.
As Your beloved Son embraced His mission in the waters of baptism, inspire us with the fire of Your Spirit to join in His transforming work. With humility, we hope You are well pleased as we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.**

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 495

“We Know That Christ Is Raised”

ENGELBERG

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

“Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed”

PENTECOST

*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 sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack 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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