

January 9, 2022 ~ Baptism of the Lord

Welcome and Announcements ~ Chery Nicholas

Prelude ~ *"God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen"* (arr. Hayes) ~ Leigh Emmett

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: Today we remember the baptism of our Lord,

People: and how Christ was called Beloved by the Father.

Leader: We remember that those words spoken to Christ are spoken to us through the work of Jesus.

People: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we praise you and pray that you would be present in our worship and lives today. Amen.

**you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

**Hymn #475 ~ "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Lord, you call us from darkness into light. Yet, God, we confess that too often we have forgotten that you and your call to us and have instead sought sin and harm, to ourselves, our world and others. Forgive us Lord. In your mercy help us to remember your grace so that we can go forth as the beloved community to do your work in the world. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #829 ~ *"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"* (v. 1)

*My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray; take all my guilt away:
O let me from this day be wholly thine!*

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #406 ~ *"We Are Standing on Holy Ground"*

*We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around;
let us praise Jesus now; we are standing in his presence on holy ground.*

Offering Prayer

*Doxology ~ *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* (Avery & Marsh)

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.***

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Isaiah 43:1-7

Special Music ~ St. Paul's Ringers

Christian Scripture ~ Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Message ~ "The One Who is Worthy"

*Hymn #482 ~ *"Baptized in Water"*

Community at Prayer

Prayer Preparation ~ *"Come and Rest"*

***Come and rest. Come and listen. Lay the fullness of your lives before the Maker.
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Come and rest. Come and listen. There's a wisdom deep within that calls us closer.
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The Lord's Prayer ~ *in unison*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ~ *responsive*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

"All Belong Here" ~ (L. Rand/H. Rand) as recorded by The Many

Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am.

Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.

*At this table come as you are, broken and bleeding's ok.
At this table eat and be filled, come and drink in this grace.
Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am.
Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.*

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn #463 ~ "How Firm a Foundation"

*Benediction

*Choral Response #600 ~ "Amen"

Amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.

Postlude ~ "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" (arr. Hayes)

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Stewardship Campaign Update: 70% of the goal of \$225,000.00 has been met with 44 pledging units committed for a total of \$158,458.00. Thank you to all who have completed commitment cards for 2022. If you have not yet made your commitment, please do so as soon as possible so that the 2022 budget may be set.

From Kathy Potter... "Schedule change!

ROMANS 12:4-5 is now **Sunday, February 27, 2022 (PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE FROM January 23!!!)** immediately following worship! We will meet in the Social Hall for a meal, fellowship, and to **assemble condiment/utensil packets for Crossroads Food Kitchen!** This is a constant need in their service of meals to the hungry in their local community. Our long partnership with Crossroads and commitment to feed our community physically and spiritually motivates us to serve in this way. **Please change the date on your calendars** and plan to join us for this event. **Masks and gloves will be required as we work.** All ages are welcome and encouraged to participate! **Please sign up in the church lobby or respond to the email** being sent out to indicate your participation. This enables us to have adequate food for lunch!"

A continuing reminder from your Board of Deacons..."Do you have someone or something to celebrate? You can share your joy with your St. Paul's family, help feed the hungry, and honor the person or object of your celebration with a tribute gift to the Board of Deacons Hunger Ministries. Tribute gifts may also be in memory of someone or something, or your donation can simply be a gift to the Hunger Ministries. An acknowledgement will be placed in the bulletin and eBranch. No set amount is required, and acknowledgements will go in the bulletin as soon as possible after checks are received. Donations may not be made far in advance for future dates.

To donate, please: **Make your check payable to: St. Paul's Board of Deacons** and in the Memo line, write: Hunger Ministries and enclose a note with: Donor(s) Name(s) and the dedication. (Dedication examples: In honor of the first responders. In honor of our grandchildren. In memory of my parents).

Send the donation with your check and note to St. Paul's, drop it in the secure mailbox outside the entrance, or bring it to the church for Sunday worship or during office hours. The Board of Deacons appreciates the congregation's generous spirit. Let's feed each other spiritually, and the hungry, literally. May the peace of Christ be with us all."

*In Our Thoughts
& Prayers* 

Ron Frank, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton
Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Nola Bonandrini, Nancy Saunders
Jerry Stone, Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant
Bruce Phillips, Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff
Micah Schemanske ~ friend of Charlotte & Jim Day; Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie Whitlock
Finley Farquhar ~ granddaughter of Eric; Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel
Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen
Mark Feely ~ friend of Judy McGregor; Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham
Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck; Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian
Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright
Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham
Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet
Diane Calloway & Tony S. ~ cousins of the late Gail Artinian; MaryAnn Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne
Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne; Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Nola & Ben; Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin
Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook; Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips
Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo; Leslie Benoit ~ daughter of the late Tamar and Jim Duthie
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

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How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

It seems odd now to think of singing this text to ADESTE FIDELES, but mainline churches did so well into the 20th century because of a cultural bias against shape note music. The vigor of the present tune seems especially right for the final line's reference to Hebrews 13:5.

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Baptized in Water

C Am Dm G F G C

1 Baptized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Baptized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Baptized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the

3 Em Am Em F G C Am F C/G

blood of Christ our King; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing the
 tomb with Christ our King; one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our King; born of the Spir - it, we are God's

6 Am G C G/B Am G⁷ C

prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

Detailed description: This is a musical score for a hymn titled 'Baptized in Water'. It is written in 3/4 time and consists of three systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The first system (measures 1-2) has a key signature of one flat (F major/D minor) and a common time signature of 3/4. The second system (measures 3-4) continues the melody and accompaniment. The third system (measures 5-6) concludes the piece with a final cadence. The lyrics are arranged in three verses, with the first two verses being identical and the third verse being a variation. The music is simple and accessible, suitable for congregational singing.

Glory to God 482

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