



**Reaching Up, Reaching Out
Welcoming Everyone,
Serving in God's Love**

January 10th, 2021
9:30 AM

Order of Worship

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One week into the New Year, Lord, we thank you for walking with us through all time and eternity.

Boldface type: The congregation speaks in unison

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Lead Me Lord
David Atkins, Piano

Fred Bock

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

God said, "Let there be light!"

There was evening and there was morning.

God called it good.

Jesus came up from the waters of the Jordan.

God said, "You are my Son, the Beloved."

There was for us a new beginning.

God called it good.

We gather here to praise the God of blessing.

This is a day of new beginnings!

HYMN

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

#152 vs.1 & 2

1. I sing the almighty power of God, that made the mountains rise, that spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; the moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.

2. I sing the goodness of the Lord, who filled the earth with food, who formed the creatures through the Word, and then pronounced them good. Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye, if I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky.



UNISON PRAYER

God who watches over us, offering us light and hope, Be with us this day as we hear the story of Jesus' baptism. Help us to remember your healing, cleansing, and claiming love for us. Remind us again of the many ways in which you reach out to us. May the image of the waters be for us an image of hope. Bring us closer to you, loving God. Embrace us again with your love. We open our hearts to you this day. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 1:1-5

Hanne Booth

Six Days of Creation and the Sabbath

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

SPECIAL MUSIC

When Jesus Came to Jordon
 Laura Daillak, Sherry Atkins, Liz Heacock,
 David Atknis & Richard Warne, Hand bells

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:4-11

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

The Baptism of Jesus

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you, I am well pleased.'



SERMON**PASTORAL PRAYER****LORDS PRAYER****BAPTISM RENEWAL**

Brothers and sisters in Christ: Through the sacrament of baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church...

Through the reaffirmation of our faith we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy church.

On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world?

I will.

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?



I believe in Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. on the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Eternal God: When nothing existed but chaos ... Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's mercy each day.

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus... He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

Declare his works to the nations, his glory among all people.

Pour out your Holy Spirit... For you have washed away our sins, and you clothe us with righteousness throughout our lives, that dying and rising with Christ we may share in his final victory.

All praise to you, Eternal God, through your son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. Amen.

Remember your baptism and be thankful.



OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

We set our offering before, an emblem of the life we pledged to live upon our baptism. May these gifts be used for our ministries close at hand and around the world. May we be drawn closer together and to you through this time of giving. Amen.

HYMN

Spirit Song

#347 vs.1 & 2

1. Oh, let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love; Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul Oh, let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit, like a dove, Will descend upon your life and make you whole

Refrain: Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs

2. Oh, come and sing the song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name Oh, give him all your tears and sadness, give him all your years of pain, And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name

Refrain: Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

In Christ There Is No East or West
Richard Warne, organist

Dale Wood

Prayer Request

.... Healing prayers for Mary Decker



Worship Leaders for Today

Worship Leader/Liturgist-
Piano-
Cantor-
A/V Tech-

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