



# SUNDAY WORSHIP

January 9, 2021

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## BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY

WELCOME

Rev. Amy Heinrich

❖ OPENING SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

Rev. Amy Heinrich

❖ GATHERING MUSIC

*Down to the River to Pray*

Traditional Spiritual

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT: Prayer of Confession and Turning

Rev. Brian Paulson

Leader: O Christ of glory, you humbled yourself to be baptized, showing us the way of humility.  
Strengthen us to serve you in humility all the days of our life.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: Amen

Leader: Do you renounce all evil, and powers in the world which defy God's righteousness and love?

**All: I renounce them.**

Leader: O Christ, by your baptism you cleansed us from our sin, making us children of your Father.  
Give the grace of being a child of God to all who seek you.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: Amen

Leader: Do you renounce the ways of sin that separate you from the love of God?

**All: I renounce them.**

Leader: Then let us pray in silent confession.

*Use this moment of silence to confess and to release the sin of your own heart.*

Leader: O Christ, by your baptism you revealed to us the glorious Trinity when the voice from heaven proclaimed,  
"This is my beloved Son," and the Holy Spirit descended upon you like a dove.  
Renew a heart of worship within all the baptized.

**All: Lord, grant us your peace. Amen.**

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT: The Assurance of Forgiveness

Rev. Brian Paulson

❖ HYMN #490

*Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters*

BEACH SPRING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Ryan Wallace

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

*Psalm 29*

Rev. Ryan Wallace

ANTHEM

*The Lone Wild Bird*  
Chapel Music Team

PROSPECT

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

*Mark 1:1-12*

Rev. Ryan Wallace

❖ SONG OF BLESSING – HYMN #774 v. 4 *There is Now a New Creation* STUTTGART

MEDITATION *Remember Your Baptism* Rev. Brian Paulson

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT: The Apostle's Creed Hymnal p. 35

TABLE TALK Rev. Kara Smith-Laubenstein

SESSION REPORT Elder Susan Henning

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP Rev. Kara Smith-Laubenstein

❖ REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT: Prayer of Thanksgiving Rev. Amy Heinrich

Leader: In the beginning, O God, your Spirit moved over the water, and you created all that is, seen and unseen.

**All: We give you thanks for the gift of water that sustains all life.**

Leader: In the time of Noah, you destroyed evil in the water of the flood; and by your saving ark, you gave a new beginning.

**People: We give you thanks for new beginnings.**

Leader: You led Israel through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land.

**All: We give you thanks for the gift of freedom and the gift of the land.**

Leader: In the water of the Jordan our Lord was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit; by the baptism of his death and resurrection, Christ set us free from sin and death and opened the way to eternal life.

**All: We give you thanks for our own baptism and the gift of eternal life.**

Leader: The Lamb has come to lead us to springs of living water.

**All: We give you thanks for the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb. Make us water in a dry and thirsty world. We renew our baptismal covenant with you, O God, praying for the strength to be faithful in all things, to your glory and for the service of your people. Amen.**

BRINGING OUR LIVES *Take Me to the Water* WAITING  
Chapel Music Team

*Please move to center aisle as directed at a safe distance.  
Bring your stone to the font at the front of the sanctuary as a sign of remembering your baptism.*

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT: Act of Renewal Rev. Kara Smith-Laubenstein

Leader: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and in newfound commitment reaffirm your faith in him as Lord and Savior?

**All: I do.**

Leader: Children of God, you are beloved and blessed. Prepare to be a blessing!

**All: Life can begin again!**

❖ CLOSING HYMN *Here at Jordan's River* NOEL NOUVELET

❖ THE CHARGE & BLESSING Rev. Brian Paulson

POSTLUDE

❖ *Those who are able, please stand*