



January 10, 2021

Baptism of the Lord

9:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Keith Ciccone, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Michael Frady

INROIT

Sanctuary

Valerie Johnson, Soprano

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

The powerful voice of God created all worlds.

That same voice calls us to worship.

Ascribe to our God glory and strength.

Come before God's glorious majesty.

God's strength shakes the wilderness.

That same strength is offered to people of faith.

The flames of God penetrate our cold hearts.

May God bless all people with true peace.

Come together to remember your baptism. Gather to celebrate the Spirit's gifts.

The heavens open to us at the Word of God.

Surely God forgives and restores us to wholeness.

HYMN

All Creatures of Our God and King

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)

Holy Maker of all that is and ever will be, in the beginning, you breathed over primal waters: speaking light out of darkness, separating evening from morning, creating the first night and the first day. When Jesus rose from the water of his baptism, you spoke again, calling him your holy child as the Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove. When Paul baptized the new believers at Corinth, your Holy Spirit came upon them, pouring out words of prophesy and story. In this day of celebration and memory, fill us with your word and bathe us in your Spirit, that we may know ourselves as beloved children, ready to give of ourselves for the sake of the world. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

World without end. Amen. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1: 4-11

SERMON

“Baptized with Water”

Rev. Michael Frady

HYMN

We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Suzy Aja Burba

LORD’S PRAYER

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 for ever. Amen.

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures, here, below.

Praise Him, above, ye heav’nly hosts.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Bless these gifts with your voice of creation, your healing, and your love, Mighty God. Transform our offerings into abundant gifts for a world in need of your light and life. Amen.

*HYMN

Called as Partners in Christ’s Service

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE





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