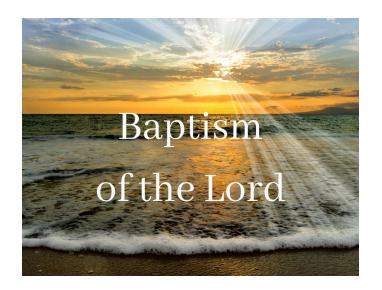


Service for the Lord's Day January 10, 2021



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 10, 2021

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude *Come, Holy Spirit, Dove Divine*

Threshold Moment

Call to Worship (by Beth Merrill Neel, Holdfasttowhatisgood.com) A voice beckons in the morning, saying, "You are my Beloved." It is the voice of One we see dimly, we hear faintly. We reach out for that voice, for the One who has claimed us in love. In this time together, may we hear the voice of God who shepherds us with love and grace. And let us worship God.

Hymn #5 God the Sculptor



Despite the great sweep of these stanzas, each one ends by describing how our human condition needs God's help: formless, aimless, hungry, searching. Each of these adjectives is followed by a related three-syllable petition: shape us now, lead us now, feed us now, meet us now.

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession God our Creator, we confess that we are broken, sinful creatures. You made us in your own image, but we tarnish your good name. You call us your beloved children, but we take your favor for granted. Forgive us, God of grace. Pour out your mercy upon us so that we may live in a way that is pleasing to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of God's Grace

Passing of the Peace

Take out your phone and text to a church member, friend or family member - "The Peace of Christ be with you."

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination from A Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA) In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

Scripture Reading Genesis 1:1-5

Scripture Reading Mark 1:4-11

Sermon Torn Apart

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Remembrance of Baptism

Have a bowl of water within reach.

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation/ Pastoral Prayer

Comment on Facebook if you have a joy or concern to be shared. You can also email or call the church with prayer concerns. Tomorrow we will send a list of prayer concerns over email to our community.

The 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, forever. Amen.

Offering

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Hymn #547 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Charge & Benediction

Postlude O Zion, Haste

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble Acolyte: Lacy Myer Liturgist: Mike Brown Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze Choir Director: Jadrian Tarver Video Producer: Heather Myer

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