

The First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin
Baptism of the Lord Sunday
January 10, 2021

PREPARATION: *The following are the lectionary scriptures for this morning: **Genesis 1:1-5** Over the deep and formless waters, God speaks: Let there be light. **Psalm 29** Give glory to God; the voice of the Lord is over the waters. **Acts 19:1-7** Paul baptizes new believers in Jesus' name; they receive the Spirit. **Mark 1:4-11** Jesus is baptized; the Spirit descends; a voice says: You are my Son.*

PRAYER FOR THE DAY: We give you thanks and praise, O God, that you have fed us with your mercy and poured out your Spirit in this place. Continue to nourish and fill us each day, that we may live as your beloved people, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Air" from "Water Music Suite"

Handel

INTROIT, HYMN #180

"The God of Heaven"

Glory

VERSE:1 The God of heaven thunders, whose voice in cadent echoes
 Resounds above the waters, and all the world sings, "Glory glory, glory!"
VERSE:3 The mighty God eternal is to the throne ascended,
 And we who are God's people, with-in these walls cry, "Glory glory, glory!"

OPENING SENTENCES

Leader: Greetings, God's beloved ones, God is with you this day. Let us sing of God's steadfast love and tell of God's mercy. Favored ones, God calls us to worship and to ponder. Let us, with all the heavens and earth, declare God's wonders. Servants of God, the Holy One is present with us, now and always. Let us tell of God's faithfulness to all generations.

***HYMN #495**

"We Know That Christ Is Raised"

Engelberg

VERSE:1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
 Embraced by death He broke its fearful hold;
 And our despair He turned to blazing joy. Alleluia!
VERSE:2 We share water in His saving death.
 Reborn we share with Him an Easter life
 As living members of a living Christ. Alleluia!
VERSE:3 The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life.
 The Spirit's power shakes the church of God.
 Baptized we live with God the Three in One. Alleluia!
VERSE:4 A new creation comes to life and grows
 As Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.
 The universe, restored and whole, will sing: Alleluia! Amen.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O Lord, you know us inside and out. We pretend that you see us from far away, that we can hide our selfishness from you. Yet you alone know the fickleness of our hearts, you know even our words of repentance before we can form them. Forgive us, and make us whole. Fill us with gratitude for our very being; lay your hand upon us and bless us. Give us words to tell the world of your wonderful works!
(Pause for silent confession).

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

LEADER: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
PEOPLE: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal #579)**

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.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 1:1-5

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANTHEM

"Here Marked Not with Water Only" Weaver/Posch
John Brockman, Kristin Juergens, Kate Juergens, Dinah Juergens- Vocalists

GOSPEL READING

Mark 1:4-11

LEADER: This is the Gospel of the Lord!
PEOPLE: Praise to You, O Christ!

SERMON

"In Over Our Heads" Rev. Dr. David Shelor

THE RESPONSE

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

O God, you have given me all that I need, in gratitude I give back to you.

OFFERTORY

“Maestoso”

Powell

***DOXOLOGY (Hymnal #591)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

THE SENDING

***HYMN #492**

“Baptized in Water”

Bunessan

VERSE:1 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;
 Heirs of salvation, trusting the promise, faithfully now God’s praises we sing.

VERSE:2 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our King;
 One with His rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God’s praises we sing.

VERSE:3 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ, our King;
 Born of the Spirit, we are God’s children, joyfully now God’s praises we sing.

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

“Thanks Be to God”

Handel

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

NEXT SUNDAY, January 17, 2021 will be the Second Sunday after Epiphany. The lectionary scriptures will be: 1 Samuel 3:1-20 The boy Samuel hears God calling and replies: Speak, Lord. Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 O Lord, you search me and surround me; I praise you. 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Your body is a temple of the Spirit; you were bought with a price. John 1:43-51 Jesus call Philip, Philip in turn calls Nathanael: Come and see.

LEADERS IN WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. David Shelor	Preacher
Stephen Allen	Organist
Eric Houghton	Liturgist & Children’s Sermon
John Brockman, Kristin Juergens, Kate Juergens & Dinah Juergens	Vocalists
Jeff Cockrell & Merry Lynn Morris	Sound & Video

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