



Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2021

10:00 a.m. Livestream Worship

WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

CHIMES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Beautiful Savior

arr. Dale Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We have come to worship our God.

People: Send your Spirit upon us.

Leader: We come with many burdens.

People: Send your Spirit upon us.

Leader: We turn our hearts to you, O God.

**People: Send your Spirit upon us,
and make us your beloved family.**

1. Come, Thou Fount of ev - ery bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
 2. Hith - er - to Thy love has blest me; Thou hast bro't me to this place;
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!

Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est praise.
 And I know Thy hand will bring me Safe - ly home by Thy good grace.
 Let Thy good - ness, like a fet - ter, Bind my wan - dering heart to Thee:

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, Sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, Wan - dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;

Praise His name—I'm fixed up - on it— Name of God's re - deem - ing love.
 He, to res - cue me from dan - ger, Bought me with His precious blood.
 Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts a - bove. A - men.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Lord of Hope and Light, in the midst of Darkness you offered light to people who lived in fear. Today that light comes to us as we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. Open our hearts this day and remind us that you have marked us as people of hope and light. Prepare us to serve you by serving your world. **Amen.**

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we confess that we have not always paid much attention to the baptism of Jesus but viewed it as a nice story which begins Jesus' ministry. We don't always see ourselves as standing in that long line of those marked for service. Yet you have called us by name, knowing each of us, and loving us. We are astonished by this. We know that we have behaved in unloving ways and do not always promote your love and peace. Forgive us for our blindness. Turn us around. Help us to be people who not only recognize the light, but who are willing to live in that light.

*SILENT CONFESSION

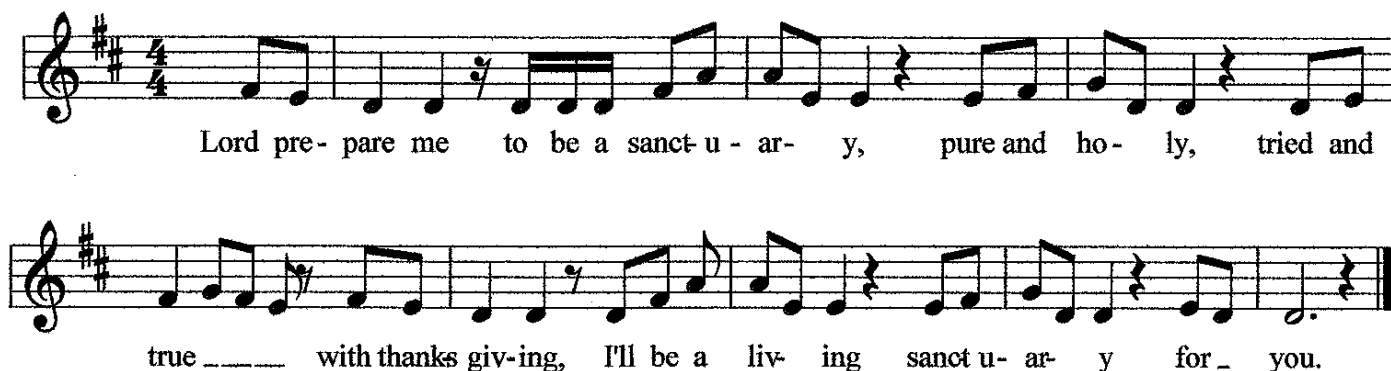
*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

People of God, you are known and loved by the Creator. You are marked as God's chosen ones to bring hope and peace to others. Be at peace and live in hope. **Amen.**

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Sanctuary

Thompson and Scruggs



Lord pre- pare me to be a sanct- u - ar- y, pure and ho- ly, tried and
true _____ with thanks giv-ing, I'll be a liv- ing sanct u- ar- y for _ you.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 1:1-5

NRSV

In the beginning when God created^[a] the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God^[b] swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And 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. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved;[d] with you I am well pleased.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Heavenly Voice

Rev. Joshua D. Gill

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

*HYMN NO. 10

*On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry (vv. 1 and 4)**Winchester New*

1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An -
 2. Then cleansed be ev - ery life from sin; Make
 3. We hail You as our Sav - ior, Lord, Our
 4. All praise to You, e - ter - nal Son, Whose

noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and heark - en,
 straight the way for God with - in, And let us all our
 ref - uge, and our great re - ward; O let Your face up -
 ad - vent has our free - dom won, Whom with the Fa - ther

for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings!
 hearts pre - pare For Christ to come and en - ter there.
 on us shine And fill the world with love di - vine.
 we a - dore, And Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.

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.

*OFFERING

*OFFERING RESPONSE

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

Jacques Berthier

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -
 joice! Look to God, do not be - a - fraid. Lift up your
 voic - es, the Lord is near. Lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

- Betty Heintzelman ~ February 1, 2020
- Robert Strickler ~ February 21, 2020
- Jerry O'Hearn ~ March 2, 2020
- J. Samuel Gregory, Jr. ~ May 31, 2020
- Doris Ward ~ July 13, 2020
- Vergie Kauffman ~ July 26, 2020
- Laura Mook ~ August 28, 2020
- Joyce Horn ~ October 12, 2020
- Shirley Thompson ~ December 1, 2020

*The roses on the organ rail are given to the glory of God
in remembrance of these members who joined the church triumphant in 2020.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional) PH, pg. 16

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

1. For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, Who
 2. Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
 *3. O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!
 **4. From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, Through

Thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, Thy
 Thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well-fought fight;
 We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; Yet
 gates of pearl streams in the count-less host,

name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 Thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
 Sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

WE DEPART FOR SERVICE

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

God Be the Love (vs. 1)

Green Tyler



God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
O Christ, sur - round me; O Christ, sur - round me.

POSTLUDE

Fugue in F Major

J.S. Bach

Leading Worship

The Rev. Joshua D. Gill, Pastor
Randy Yoder, Director of Music
Liturgist ~ Kate Strickler
Camera Operator ~ Bob Moore

The Call to Worship, Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession, and Assurance of Forgiveness, are taken from www.ministrymatters.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT SUNDAY, January 17, is the second Sunday after Epiphany. Pastor Josh's sermon will be *Can Anything Good Come From Nazareth?*, and the scripture will be 1:43-51. The Bells of Eastminster will play.

PLEASE CHECK THE DOORS! – If you are accessing any of the church buildings, please make sure the doors are completely closed and locked before you leave. Thanks!

PRAYER SHAWLS -- Knitters of Eastminster have a number of blessed Prayer Shawls in their inventory which are waiting for a new home. If you or someone you know could use some comfort, we would love to give you one. Please call Jan Witzke at (717) 757-3155 and we will see that you get a Prayer Shawl.

NOTE TO LITURGISTS -- The Worship Committee welcomes liturgists to participate in the weekly services even though we are live-streaming only. If you are interested, please contact Kate Strickler at (717) 578-5073 or theshrew@comcast.net.



Please keep these people in your prayers this week:

**+All our military men and women around the world and their families back home+
+Eastminster Presbyterian Church – its congregation, mission, and ministry+
+ Stephen Ministers and their care receivers+**

Rev. Michael Campbell

Cade Curran

Dee Hoyt

Kirstie & Justin

Judie Lightfoot

Alan McIntosh

Steve Moore

Don Wonders

Our preschool staff, students and families

Students, teachers and school staff during this challenging school year

Those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and all frontline workers

EPC Shut-ins

*If you would like to have someone placed on the prayer list,
please first obtain that person's permission and then
contact Beth Anne by e-mail at epcyorkoffice@gmail.com or phone 717-755-6222.*