

Service for the Lord's Day

January 9, 2022 11:00 a.m. Baptism of the Lord



New to Hunter? Here's some information to help you feel at home. Where you see asterisks in the bulletin, you're invited to stand. When we pass the peace, you're invited to greet those around you with a joyful sign of Christ's peace. We offer a nursery for newborns through 3-year-olds. Thank you for visiting Hunter. We're glad you're here! Before you leave, please place a welcome card in the offering plate.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude "We Would See Jesus" Seth Bingham

Welcome & Announcements

Welcoming of New Member

*Call to Worship

Come, Lord, send Your waters of justice and peace.

Baptist us in Your Holy Way.

Come, God of the renewing waters of life.

Wash us again in Your healing Grace.

*Hymn 489

"Wonder of Wonder, Here Revealed" (verses 1, 2 & 4)

Prayer of Confession

You come, Lord, constantly renewing us, yet we fail to live up to Your constant call. You send us the fresh winds of Your Spirit, but we bundle up and hide, missing the blessings they bring. You shed light of the true way of faith, we stand off in darkness hiding our eyes.

Christ came to break down the walls of separation, to build new bridges of community and humanity. Christ came to draw us again in to the light of Your Love and the power of Your life-giving Word. Christ came to walk among us, to heal our wounds and brokenness, and guide us in pathways of compassion. Teach us, O Holy one, to walk once again Your Gracious way. Amen.

(moment for silent reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn 584 "Glory, Glory, Glory" CUEQUITA

*Passing of the Peace

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Reading from the Old Testament Amos 5: 22-24 (O.T., p.)

Reading from the New Testament Matthew 3: 13-17 (N.T., p.)

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

Message "Why was Jesus baptized?" Ray Mendenhall

RF.SPONDING TO THE WORD

Installation of New Church Officers

Prayers of the People

Presenting Our Tithes & Offerings

Choral Anthem "Rejoice!" Joseph M. Martin

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

*Hymn 286 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

*Charge & Benediction

*Hymn 574 "Amen" AMEN

Postlude "Rigaudon" Andre Campra

Depart in Peace

*Please stand as you are able.

Household Prayer: Almighty God, you wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature. In your mercy, let us share the divine life of Jesus Christ who came to share our humanity, and who now lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sunday Announcements

A warm welcome to all visitors. We are glad you chose to worship with us today.

Our liturgist today is: **Drew Gilbert**Acolyte: **Colin Smith**

Prayer Requests

Prayers for: The family of Susan Durant, all those affected by the tornadoes in Western KY and beyond, Becky Gift, Lori Taylor (a friend of Lynn Davis' who is battling cancer), Jim & Betty Scott and Rue Wallace.

We welcome Larry Brandenburg as guest organist today in the absence of Allen Fletcher, who is taking a well-earned week of vacation.

There will be no choir rehearsal this Wednesday, January 12.

If you would like to talk with Ray Mendenhall, he can be reached at 859-940-1735 or you can email him at: rwmend@gmail.com.

Thank you to those who shared in leading today's service: Hyunjin Kwak, Larry Brandenburg, Colin Smith and Val Zeps.

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Kevin Eddy, Property Manager; Lynn Davis, Administrative Assistant.