

A LIGHT TO ENLIGHTEN THE NATIONS 2. On the banks of the Jordan

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

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*The Prelude is part of our Order of Worship, time to pray
and seek quietness as we all prepare to worship God together.*

- PRELUDE** “Shall We Gather at the River” Lowry
- WELCOME and CHURCH NEWS** Jim Simpson
- Minute for Mission: Looking forward into 2019** Frances Young, Clerk of Session
- * **INTROIT HYMN # #401, v2** “Here in This Place (Gather Us In)”
*We are the young, our lives are a mystery. We are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history, called to be a light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty; gather us in, the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart, so meek and so lowly; give us the courage to enter the song.*
- * **CALL TO WORSHIP** Randy Borden

Come, all who thirst. Come to the font!
Dip your soul into the water of life.
Come, all who hunger. Come to the table!
Eat your fill of the bread of life.
Come, all who are weary. Come to worship!
Rest your spirits in the house of God.
Come, all who thirst.
Come, all who hunger.
Come, all who are weary.
Come and worship God!

- * **HYMN # 163** “Wild and Lone the Prophet’s Voice”

CALL TO CONFESSION and PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Silent prayer, then Spoken)

God of grace have mercy upon us.
Forgive us for shouting over our neighbors,
when your Spirit beckons us to listen.
Forgive us for our complacency,
when we are called to be agents of change.
Forgive us for working,
rather than serving.
Forgive us for producing,
rather than creating.
God of grace have mercy upon us and move us into life. Amen.

MISSING FROM BULLETIN AS PRINTED:

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND SONG OF ASSURANCE # 447 "We are forgiven"

*We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 43:1–7 (p. 631, p. 822) Randy Borden
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON (Activity Packs for children are available - ask an Usher)

* **HYMN # 482** “Baptized in Water”

GOSPEL READING Luke 3: 15 – 22 (p. 56 / p. 73). Christina Hermetz
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM “Down Galilee’s Slow Roadways” Horman

SERMON “Baptized to serve” Jim Simpson

THE OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE
OFFERTORY “Deep River” arr. Wolaver

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Christina Hermetz
O God, at his baptism, you acknowledged Jesus as your beloved Son,
and through him you opened to us a way to become your children by grace.
May these gifts we return to you be a sign of our dedication
to live as your faithful daughters and sons,
born in the waters of baptism by the power of the Holy Spirit;
through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE Frances Young, Clerk of Session
Ruling Elders to be ordained and installed - Class of 2021
Rick Borden Janice Glascock Lynn Hayes

QUESTIONS TO THE ELDERS ELECT (see Bulletin Insert)

QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION
Do we, the members of the church, accept these persons as ruling Elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.**
Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the church? **We do.**
PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION and LORD’S PRAYER (*sins and sins against us*)

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION AND WELCOME

CHARGE TO THE RULING ELDERS and TO THE CONGREGATION

*** PRAYER OF COMMISSIONING (Unison)**

God of Grace, you have called us to be servants of Christ Jesus,
and to share in his ministry of love to all people.

Renew our zeal, give us joy in your service.

Direct us by your spirit of wisdom, and fill us with the gifts of your grace,
that together we may declare your wonderful deeds
and show your love to the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*** HYMN # 69 "Here I Am, Lord"**

*** PRE- BENEDICTION PRAYER**

May the path that Christ walks
to bring justice upon the earth, to bring light to those who sit in darkness,
to bring out those who live in bondage, to bring new things to all creation,
be the path that runs through our lives.

May we be the road Christ takes. Amen.

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

*** SUNG RESPONSE HYMN #733 "We all are one in mission" v2**

*We all are called for service to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are different; our purpose is the same:
To touch the lives of others by God's surprising grace,
So every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.*

POSTLUDE "To God Be the Glory"

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Kathy Cardwell, Director of Music

**All who are comfortable standing, please stand.*

~~ SECOND SUNDAY FOLLOWS THIS SERVICE – ALL WELCOME~~

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