

Fairview United Methodist Church

Baptism of The Lord

January 12, 2025

11:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able or in your hearts.

**Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

****PRELUDE**

WELCOME AND WORDS OF COMMUNITY

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come to the waters.

People: We gather at the river.

Leader: Come to the waters.

People: The waters of grace flow over us.

Leader: Come to the waters.

People: We are washed in God's love.

Leader: Come to the waters.

People: We are God's beloved children.

ALL: Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN**

“When Jesus Came to Jordan” *UMH* No. 252

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

“A Creed for Epiphany Season”

We believe in God, the creator of all things, the giver of life and breath.

We believe in Jesus Christ, born Emmanuel, God with us, baptized and revealed the most beloved Son of God; he

sought to heal humanity by taking our brokenness upon himself, suffering for us, dying for us, and being raised from the dead for our sake and for the sake of all the world.

We believe that he will come again.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, continually poured out refreshing our lives, leading us into a new day, ever birthing the church, the body of Christ in the world. This Spirit is our soul companion and counselor of truth reminding us of the gift of faith, the ever presence of God and the promise of eternal life.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** “Glory Be to the Father” *UMH No. 70*

ANTHEM “Step into the Water” (Galley arr. Ferrin)

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

PRAYER CHORUS

“Jesus, Name above All Names” *TFWS No. 2071*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Loving God, sometimes life seems overwhelming.

There is so much happening that we can't control. We feel like we are drowning.

Then we hear your voice saying, “don't fear,” and we remember that your love supports and sustains us. You are there when we feel overwhelmed.

You are there when we struggle. You give us what we need. Help us place our trust in you, as we step away from fear, secure in your love. Amen.

PRAYERS OF PETITION

After each petition, we enter into the prayer together with these words:

Pastor: Lord in Your mercy,

People: Hear our Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OF PROCLAMATION

“More Like You” *TFWS* No. 2167

SCRIPTURE LESSON: James 3:3-12

SERMON

Ditching Our Ugly Christmas Sweaters Series Week 2:

“Ditching Our Ugly Words” Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** “Christmas Doxology”

(sung to the tune of O Tannenbaum - see bulletin insert)

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Joshua (Josh) Ewing

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT 1

UMH No. 33-36

UMH No. 33, 34, 35 (8 ONLY)

36 (PASTOR ONLY)

CONGREGATION: "Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all

**one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving, we
welcome you as a member of the family of Christ.”**

BAPTISM WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

BAPTISMAL PRAYER AND BLESSING

***SENDING HYMN** “Baptized in Water” *TFWS* No. 2248

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

ACTIVITIES - JAN. 13 - JAN. 19

Monday, January 13

Pantry - 9:00 A.M.

SPRC 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday, January 15

Renewal Hour Bible Study 3:30 P.M.

Pantry 6:00 P.M.

Thursday, January 16

Chancel Bells 6:30 P.M.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:15 P.M.

Friday, January 17

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

Sunday, January 19

Adult Sunday School 9:45 A.M.

Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

Church Staff

Pastor

Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

Administrative Assistant

Carol McDougle

Director of Music

Michelle Forshaw

Church Musician

Michele Delduca

Treasurer

Fred Poland

Pantry Resource

Coordinator

Donna McCoy

Audio Visual Technician

Roger Christian

Toddler Room Attendant

Oscar Ndayisaba

Church Custodian

Vance Garner

TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS

Worship Leader

Judy Gebhart

Greeters

John & Lilia Shoemaker

Trustee

Dave Puderbaugh

Toddler Room Assistant

Cecelia Long

2024 Contribution Statements have been emailed or mailed. Notify Fred Poland if you did not receive yours.

VAN DRIVER FOR JANUARY 19

Van Request: Art-- 937- 727-2626

To ride the van, you must make your request the day before or you will not be picked up!

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

- [Isaiah 62:1-5](#)
- [Psalm 36:5-10](#)
- [1 Corinthians 12:1-11](#)
- [John 2:1-11](#)

PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer ministry after worship each Sunday. For those who have special prayer requests, please see someone from the Prayer Ministry in the Narthex.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy and prayers to the Hounshell family following the unexpected loss of Wayne's sister Betty. You are in our thoughts during this difficult time.

Pastor Neil's Office Hours: Mon. & Wed. 1:00 - 6:00 pm. Please call 614-353-2664 for appointments throughout the week (Friday & Saturday emergency only.) **Admin. Assistant Office Hours:** Mon. - Fri. 9:00 - 1:00 pm

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