

Following the Word into the World

Charge & Blessing

The pastor will dismiss those worshipping in the sanctuary by rows.

Postlude

Trumpet Tune

Henry Purcell
1659-1695

Lectionary for Today: Genesis 1:1-5; Psalm 29; Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11

Reflection & Questions:

Today we celebrate Baptism of the Lord Sunday. At the beginning of his public ministry, Jesus presents himself to John to be baptized in the Jordan. This a Trinitarian event: as Jesus emerges from the water, the Holy Spirit descends from heaven as a dove, and we hear a voice naming Jesus as God's beloved Son. In ancient Christian tradition, the Baptism of the Lord is closely connected with the Epiphany (the story of the Magi following the star to find the Christ Child), as both are manifestations of God's saving purpose through Jesus Christ; accordingly, these celebrations are adjacent to one another in the Christian calendar. The Baptism of the Lord also foreshadows the season of Lent, as the Gospels tell us that Jesus was driven into the wilderness for forty days after his own baptism. Today, we not only remember Jesus' baptism, but also give thanks for the baptism we share with Christ. Do you remember your own baptism? The baptism of children or grandchildren? As we participate in the Reaffirmation of Baptism today, what new signs of God's grace to you see and hear?

Please send additions and updates for the prayer list to churchoffice@corbinpres.org or leave a message on the church voicemail at 606-528-1444.



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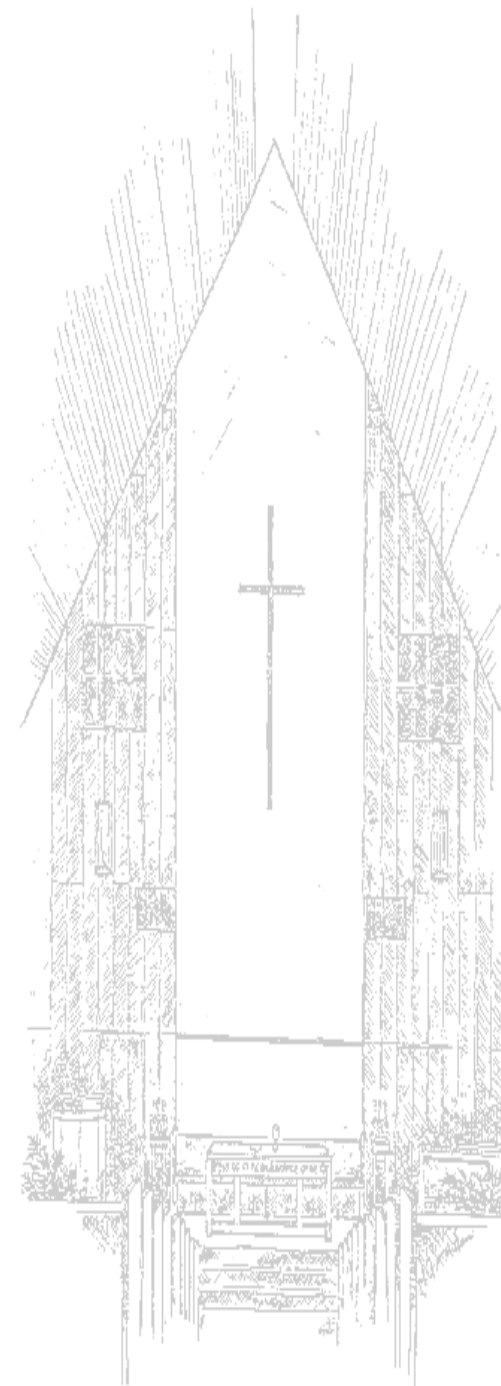
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Corbin Presbyterian Church Service for the Lord's Day

Baptism of the Lord

1/10/21

11:00 o'clock

Gathering Around the Word

While unison prayers, responses, and congregational singing are not yet safe as we gather in-person for worship, the texts are printed so that you may pray, respond, and sing "in your heart" as the words are spoken or music is played by the worship leaders. To God be all glory!

Prelude

Bouree

George Frederic Handel
1865-1759

Opening Sentences & Prayer

The voice of the Lord is over the waters,
And in the temple God's people say: Glory!

Call to Worship

In the beginning, darkness covered the deep, and God said: Let there be light.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

Through the words of the prophet, the Lord said:

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

Do not fear, says the Lord; I am with you. I have called you by name; you are mine.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

When Jesus was baptized by John, suddenly the heavens were opened.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

And as Jesus was coming out of the water, the Spirit of God rested on him like a dove.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

And a voice said: You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit, and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep us, your children born of water and the Spirit, faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*"God, make the door of this place of worship
wide enough to receive all who need human love,
friendship and the Father's care; narrow enough
to shut out all pride, envy and hatred; and smooth
enough for the feet of little children."*

Responding to the Word

Hymn

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung through every land, in every tongue.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord; Eternal truth attends thy word:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We are precious in your sight, yet we often forget that we are your beloved. We confess that our love is fickle and inconsistent. We remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from one another. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another. We allow the past to hold us captive. In your loving-kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Fulfill the promise of baptism so that we may rise to new life in Christ, and live together in grace. Amen.

Response

Sing Glory to the Name of God (Psalm 29)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*May God forever be our peace; may hymns of glory never cease:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Let all the faithful people come; sing praise to God the Three in One:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Old Testament Scripture: **Genesis 1:1-5**

1 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.

New Testament Scripture: **Mark 1:1-11**

1 The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

2 As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,
"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way;
3 the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
'Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight,'" "

4 John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. **5** And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. **6** Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. **7** He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. **8** I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with^[c] the Holy Spirit."

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

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Baptized in Water; Sealed by the Spirit

The Rev. Lisa Eye

Hymn

Baptized in Water

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*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.*

*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.*

*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.*

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God,
do you turn from the ways of sin
and renounce evil and its power in the world? **I do.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ
and accept him as your Lord and Savior? **I do.**

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple,
obeying his Word and showing his love? **I will with God's help.**

Prayer & Thanksgiving for Baptism

Remember your baptism and be thankful!

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed, Traditional

Now with the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the ancient baptismal creed, 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 & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn

I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry

WATERLIFE

*"I was there to hear your borne cry; I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child with a faith to suit you well;
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell."*

*"When you heard the wonder of the Word, I was there to cheer you on.
You were raised to praise the living Lord to who you know belong.
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk to rising sun."*

*"In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in and your shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise."*

*"I was there to hear your borne cry; I'll be there when you are old.
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