



Camp Hill Presbyterian Church

Sunday, Jan. 8, 2023

Baptism of the Lord

10:30 a.m.

Welcome!

We are glad you are worshiping with us today.

Childcare is available from 8:45 a.m. to noon in Room 3 of the Kuhn Education Wing.

We also invite children to use our activity area in the sanctuary.

Assistive listening devices are available at the sound booth (rear of sanctuary).

The chancel flowers are given by Valerie Ahnell in loving memory of John Romei.

Worship begins with the first note of the prelude — may we silence our voices and open our hearts, allowing the music to draw us together into the presence of God.

Prelude

Largo, from Concerto in d minor

Vivaldi

Welcome

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 29)

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

P: The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

L: Through the words of the prophet, the Lord said, “When you pass through the waters I will be with you.”

P: The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

L: When Jesus was baptized by John, suddenly the heavens were opened, and the Spirit of God said, “You are my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased.”

P: The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

L: May we who have been baptized in Jesus’ name gather at the font of new life.

*Hymn 482

Baptized in Water

**Those who are able are asked to please stand.*

*Call to Confession/Silent Personal Confession

The grace of God overflows for us through our communion with Christ, who came to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In all humility and faith, let us confess our sin before God and one another, first in silence and then with one voice using our common prayer of confession. Let us pray.

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves and 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 our baptism, so that we may rise to new life and live together in grace, through Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end.
Amen, Amen.*

Children's Message

The Rev. Stuart Seelman

(After the message, preschool and elementary-age children are invited to follow volunteers to the Little Kirk for an age-appropriate worship experience.)

First Scripture Reading (OT, p. 672)

Isaiah 43:1-7

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

Fairest, Lord Jesus
The Chancel Choir

Darst

Second Scripture Reading (NT, p. 3)

Matthew 3:13-17

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

The Rev. Nancy Conklin

Reaffirmation of Baptism

Sentences of Scripture

L: You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of the One who called you out of darkness into God's marvelous light.

P: **Once we were not a people, but now we are God's people; once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy.**

Profession of Faith

L: Do you trust in Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior?

P: **I do.**

L: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

P: **I will.**

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.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

L: Eternal and gracious God, we give you thanks: For the crashing waters of creation,

P: **Calmed by your spirit soaring by.**

L: For the high waves of the Red Sea,

P: **A pathway from slavery to freedom.**

L: For the reedy banks of the River Jordan,

P: **Where for us Jesus was baptized, whom you claimed as your Son, the Beloved.**

L: For the Galilean Sea,

P: **Where Jesus called his disciples.**

L: For the well where a woman learned to thirst for living water,

P: **And to call Jesus "the Christ."**

L: For the water that rushed from Jesus' side on the cross.

P: **For the gentle waves on the beach where he appeared again.**

L: For the crystal sea where we shall praise you eternally.

P: **God, your faithfulness is ever-flowing, a river that never runs dry.**

L: Through the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection,

P: You set us free from the chains of sin and death, and give us cleansing and rebirth.

L: In baptism you give us your Holy Spirit,

P: Our teacher and truth-teller, who unfolds in us a variety of gifts, that we might share your good news with all people and serve you as a royal priesthood.

All: Holy Spirit, pour yourself out upon me and upon this water, that this font may be your womb of new birth. May I who now pass through these waters be delivered from death to life, from bondage to freedom, from sin to righteousness. May I feel always the power of your grace. Bind me to the household of faith, guard me from all evil. Strengthen me to serve you with joy until the day you make all things new.

Charge

Hymn 488

I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

Canon in B Major

Schumann

*Doxology (Tune: "Old Hundredth")

*O God, may we who bear your name, by gentle love your grace proclaim,
Christ's gift of peace on earth declare, and your anointing Spirit share.
Amen.*

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, as you are well pleased with Christ, help us to live in a way that will be pleasing to you. As you have called us to listen to Christ, help us to always heed his word and seek his will, that we live as your people, bringing Life and Light to all the world. Amen.

Minute for Mission: OTC Medicine Drive

Cindy Thompson

Prayers for the People/The Lord's Prayer

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn 136

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

*Benediction

Postlude

Prelude in C Major

Attr. to Bach

CHPC Weekly Calendar

Monday, Jan. 9

Preschool Farm Show Week (through Jan. 4); Fellowship Hall

10 a.m. — Staff Meeting; Pastor's Study

1 p.m. — Quilters & Crafters for Mission; Q&C Room

6 p.m. — Discipleship Team Meeting; Blue Room and via Zoom

Tuesday, Jan. 10

9:45 a.m. — Presbytery Pastoral Support Group; Fellowship Hall

6 p.m. — West Shore A.A. Big Book Study; Fellowship Hall

7 p.m. — Kirk Families Team Meeting; Blue Room

Wednesday, Jan. 11

9 a.m. — Prayer Fellowship; Green Room

12:05 p.m. — Preschool Staff Meeting; Fellowship Hall

6 p.m. — Handbell Choir Practice; Music Room

7 p.m. — Chancel Choir Practice; Music Room

Thursday, Jan. 12

10 a.m. — Dorcas Circle Meeting; Fellowship Hall

Friday, Jan. 13

Preschool Closed

Sunday, Jan. 15

9 a.m. — Adult Sunday School Classes; Kuhn Education Wing

Exegesis; Green Room

Men's Bible Study; Room 14

10:30 a.m. — Worship Service; Sanctuary

10:45 a.m. — Kirk Kids (following Children's Message); Little Kirk

11:45 a.m. — Brass Choir Rehearsal; Sanctuary

IT'S HAPPENING AT CHPC

- **The Still Point vespers service returns today at 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary.**
- **Join Pastor Nancy for Prayer Fellowship at 9:30 a.m. every Wednesday in the Green Room.**
- **As you contemplate your New Year's resolutions, this is an excellent time to join the Chancel Choir or Handbell Choir. We are embarking on new music, and are looking for new or returning members. Practice is held at 6 p.m. (Handbell Choir) and 7 p.m. (Chancel Choir) every Wednesday in the Music Room.** For more information, email jtldwell@thechpc.com.
- **We can use your help with fellowship time! The coffee makers are easy to use and there are usually goodies in the freezer/fridge or pre-packaged items available, so you only have to bring a snack from home if you want to. To become a volunteer, please visit https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e45a4a922a0fdc07-fellowship#.**
- **Greeters are so important in God's kingdom! A smile and welcoming hello are appreciated by members and visitors alike on Sunday mornings. Please visit https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e45a4a922a0fdc07-chpc# to become a greeter!**
- **Through mid-February, the Deacons will again be collecting over-the-counter medicines and most-needed items for the Christ Lutheran Church Free Medical Clinic in Harrisburg's Allison Hill neighborhood. These items (or generic equivalents) are welcomed: Tussin (any variety); Vicks chest rub; Claritin; children's Tylenol; vitamin C chewable, vitamin C booster, Emergen-C, or Airborne; no-touch forehead thermometers (infrared digital for adults or kids), T-shirts and underwear (any size – they have enough socks for the moment); and hand warmers (for preventing frostbite). Items can be placed in the boxes in the Gathering Place and outside the church office.**
- **PW continues to collect new and gently used blankets for the Downtown Daily Bread Emergency Shelter.** Please place donations in the box labeled "Blankets" in the Gathering Place's Donation Center.

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