

**Baptism of the Lord
January 10, 2021**

**Gathering
God invites us to enter His presence**

Prelude

*Praise to the Lord
Glory to His Name*

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Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship (*Time for Silent Preparation*)

✠ Call to Worship

Dennis Lesher

Come, let us bow down in worship,
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;
for he is our God
and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.
Let us worship the Triune God. Amen.

✠ Invocation

Dennis Lesher

God of light and truth,
you are beyond our grasp or conceiving.
Before the brightness of your presence
the angels veil their faces.
With lowly reverence and adoring love
we acclaim your glory
and sing your praise,
for you have shown us your truth and love
in Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

Hymn

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.*

*All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow, flashing sea
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, Call us to rejoice in Thee.*

*Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father Christ, our Brother— All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine.*

*Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us, Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life. A-men.*

Confessing
God invites us to be honest with Him

Prayer of Confession

Dennis Leshner

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.
Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!
**If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?**
But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.
**I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;
my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.**
O Israel, hope in the LORD!
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.
It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Dennis Leshner

Come now, let us argue it out,
says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be like snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.

Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God!

! 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.
A-men, A-men.*

Offering

Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him

Invitation Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts.
Worship the LORD in holy splendor;
tremble before him, all the earth.

Offering

**Please place your offerings in the plate in the back
of the church on your way out.*

Offertory *Here I Am to Worship* *arr. Hayes*

! Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.*

! Prayer of Dedication

Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you
have first given us—our selves, our time, and our
possessions—signs of your gracious love.
Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for
us—Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Proclaiming

God speaks to us through His Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading *Psalm 95:1-11*

95 Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
²Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
³For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.

⁴In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
⁵The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.
⁶Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

⁷For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.
Today, if you hear his voice,
⁸do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,
as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,
⁹when your fathers put me to the test
and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.
¹⁰For forty years I loathed that generation
and said, "They are a people who go astray in their heart,
and they have not known my ways."
¹¹Therefore I swore in my wrath,
"They shall not enter my rest."

Sermon

*"Committed to Worship"
Rev. Tim Latham*

Responding
We respond to God's Word

Hymn 59 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

*I sing the mighty pow'r of God,
that made the mountains rise;
That spread the flowing seas abroad,
and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at His command,
and all the stars obey.*

*I sing the goodness of the Lord,
that filled the earth with food;
He formed the creatures with His word,
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed,
Where-e'er I turn my eye:
If I survey the ground I tread,
or gaze upon the sky!*

*There's not a plant or flow'r below,
but makes Thy glories known;
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
By order from Thy throne;
While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care,*

*And ev'rywhere that man can be, Thou, God, art present there.
A-men.*

Profession of Faith

Leader: Let us now profess our faith along with the saints through the ages.

**People: I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who out of nothing created heaven and earth
and everything in them,
who still upholds and rules them
by his eternal counsel and providence,
is my God and Father
because of Christ the Son.
I trust God so much that I do not doubt
he will provide whatever I need
for body and soul,
and will turn to my good
whatever adversity he sends upon me
in this sad world.
God is able to do this because he is almighty God
and desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.**

Prayers of the People

Commissioning

God sends us out into the world as His witnesses

Hymn

10,000 Reasons

Chorus

*Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name*

*The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes
Chorus*

*You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find
Chorus*

*And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore
Chorus*

*Ending
Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name*

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 **Benediction & Blessing**

 **Organ Postlude**

Praising the Almighty

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