

# Baptism of the Lord Sunday

January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

*Toccata*

*Wagner*

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

INTROIT

*We Bring Our Hearts*

+CALL TO WORSHIP

from *Psalm 119*

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Blessed are you, O Lord. Teach us your ways and statutes.

All: **With our lips we declare all the counsel that comes from you.**

One: Open our eyes so that we may behold the wondrous things you have done.

All: **Help us to understand your ways and to meditate on your wondrous works.**

One: Open our hearts to your decrees so that we may not be swayed by thoughts of selfish gain.

All: **Help us to long for your righteousness that brings life.**

One: Let our cry come before you now, O Lord: Give us understanding according to your word and deliver us according to your promise.

All: **May our lips pour forth praise, our tongues sing of your promise, and our lives keep your decrees, now and forevermore!**

+HYMN OF PRAISE *Come Away from Rush and Hurry* BEACH SPRING

Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace  
From our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ and find release  
Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace  
Come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's face

In the pastures of God's goodness we lie down to rest our soul  
From the waters of God's mercy we drink deeply, are made whole  
At the table of God's presence all the saints are richly fed  
With the oil of God's anointing into service we are led

Come then, children, with your burdens – life's confusions, fears and pain  
Leave them at the cross of Jesus; take instead his kingdom's reign  
Bring your thirsts, for he will quench them – he alone will satisfy  
All our longings find attainment when to self we gladly die

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Father, too often we come to worship looking for comfort, inspiration, stimulation or community. While these are not bad things in and of themselves, we confess that they are more focused on self-improvement than with thanksgiving, more focused on ourselves than on you. Forgive us for our self-centeredness. Send us your Spirit to help us come to worship to experience your presence, to connect with the sense of awe and wonder that gives birth to true thankfulness, and to seek out opportunities for growth and service that will help us express our gratitude to you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who is the very heart of worship. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

+RESPONSE

*Glory Be to the Father*

#579

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward for the Time for Young Disciples. Afterward, children ages 5 thru 3<sup>rd</sup> grade may go to Worship Our Way (W.O.W.) while children in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and older are invited to worship with their families.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

FIRST READING

1 Peter 2:4-9

p. 206 NT

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

*The Time For Turning*

*Courtney/Martin*

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:4-31

p. 153 NT

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THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Tim Reynolds

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

Offertory

*Take My Life*

*arr. Trivette*

+Doxology *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

#592

+Prayer of Dedication

SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Sentences of Scripture

Statement on Ordination and Installation

+Hymn of Preparation *Lord, When I Came Into This Life*

#522

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

+Affirmation of Faith from *The Confession of 1967*

The church disperses to serve God wherever its members are, at work or play, in private or in the life of society. Each member is the church in the world, endowed by the Spirit with some gift of ministry and is responsible for the integrity of their witness in each particular situation. Each person is entitled to the guidance and support of the Christian community and is subject to its advice and correction. In turn, each helps to guide the church. In recognition of special gifts of the Spirit and for the ordering of its life as a community, the church calls, trains, and authorizes certain members for leadership and oversight. The persons qualified for these duties in accordance with the polity of the church are set apart by ordination or other appropriate act and thus made responsible for their special ministries.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Anointing

Constitutional Questions

Prayer of Ordination and Laying on of Hands

Declaration of Ordination and Installation

Welcome and Charge

+HYMN OF SENDING *Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples* #434

+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE *To Do The Work Of God*

+POSTLUDE

*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

*arr. Young*

+THOSE WHO ARE ABLE PLEASE STAND

WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION

**Elders: Matt Crum & Joey Lamie**

### THIS MORNING...

- the liturgist is Jared Oliver
- the acolytes are Wiley Leidig and John Godfrey
- the bell ringer is Ben Campbell
- the Big W.O.W. leaders are Joey & Bridget Lamie
- the Little W.O.W. leaders are Alicia Arney and Georgia Crews
- the nursery volunteer is Sarah Land
- the sound board tech is Dennis Bailey

OUR CURRENT SERMON SERIES is on *Reformed Worship*. The Reformed Tradition has, from its very beginning, sought to take both tradition and local culture seriously when weaving together a worship experience that honors traditions inherited from the past while engaging the current culture of the local community. Over the next several weeks we will explore the why and the how of Reformed worship, along with all the components of a Reformed worship service.

UPCOMING SERMON TEXTS AND TOPICS:

Jan 10	1 Peter 2 / 1 Cor 12	<i>Reformed Worship: The "How" of Worship</i>
Jan 17	Isaiah 6 / Rev 4	<i>Reformed Worship: Gathering</i>
Jan 24	Deut 4 / 2 Tim 3	<i>Reformed Worship: Proclaiming</i>
Jan 31	Jer 1 / Matt 28	<i>Reformed Worship : Responding</i>

WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF A VOLUNTEER to run the sound board on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Tim or Rick Ratliff.

TODAY WE ORDAIN AND INSTALL ELDERS to the Session Class of 2018. Richard Cano, Stanley Haynes, and Alice Rainey are being ordained and installed as elders for the first time. Jan Hardman is previously ordained and is being installed to the session. Please keep these and all of our elders in your prayers.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who remembered our family with cards, gifts, or goodies this Christmas season. We are blessed to serve such a loving and generous congregation! – *Love, Tim, Tuesday, Seth & Lily Grace*

SPENCER MILLER CONCERT TODAY, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. featuring *French Flute Music from Baroque to Jazz*. Dr. Nancy Schneeloch-Bingham has performed with many symphonies and is an active recitalist and clinician. She will be accompanied by our own Dr. Joseph Trivette. All area students of all ages are admitted free and general admission is \$10 at the door.

THE ROSE on the on the Communion Table is in honor of "Ella" Wise born to Adam & Ashlea Wise and big brother Noah on December 17<sup>th</sup>. Ella is the third baby born this pre-school year. Congratulations!

**SERVICE AND OUTREACH**  
**Elders: Alicia Arney, Kay Bunn & Mimi Hull**

**ECUMENICAL FAITH IN ACTION** – Many thanks to all who served and financially supported Faith in Action during December. FiA served approximately 1,000 families during the month. To help, you may bring canned food (place in basket at the stairs), donate money (FiA in the memo line), and/or work during our next week, January 24 – January 29. Sign-up sheet is on board in Narthex.

**THE ANNUAL SOUPER BOWL LUNCHEON is Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>.** Following worship our Middle and High School students will be hosting a soup & sandwich luncheon in the Fellowship Hall to raise money for the alleviation of hunger right here in Washington County. The food will be provided and you are asked to donate whatever amount you like for lunch that day. All proceeds will go to Faith in Action. If you can't make it for lunch, some of our young people will be outside the sanctuary following worship holding soup pots. We invite you to drop any amount you like into the pot as a donation.

**ANNUAL MITTEN TREE** – Your contributions to the Mitten Tree resulted in over 208 items including mittens, gloves, scarves, coats, socks and slippers which will be welcomed by the schools and Faith in Action. Thank you for your kindness in helping keep others warm.

**SPIRITUAL FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP**  
**Elders: Danny Wilson & Kate Shockley**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY:** Our Wednesday night bible study continues on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Church Parlor. We are studying the book of Daniel. You can join at any time as each week is its own self-contained study.

**EMPTY PILL BOTTLES** – Thank you for your support with the Pill bottle project for Malawi. We have mailed over 700 bottles!

**ADULT LEADERS NEEDED FOR SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY:** Our Middle and High School young people are in need of a few adult volunteers to help them organize the annual Souper Bowl of Caring Service Project on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. It will only take a few hours of your time – mostly on that Sunday – but the rewards will last the rest of the year. If you are interested in helping out, let Pastor Tim know, [pastor@sinkingspring.org](mailto:pastor@sinkingspring.org) or 628.3361

**WINTER WEATHER POLICY:** Now that winter is here it's probably a good time to remind everyone of our policies for inclement weather!

**Sunday Worship:** Worship will never be cancelled due to weather. Please use your own discretion, however, in deciding whether or not to come. Safety is of primary importance; stay home if you don't feel you can make it safely.

**Sunday School:** The teachers of each class will determine whether or not to meet. Teachers will call class members *only* if class is cancelled.

**Wednesday After School Programs, Bible Study and Preschool:** These activities follow the Washington County School schedule. If Washington County Schools are closed or dismissed early, then these activities will be cancelled.

**All Other Activities (Choir, Session, Committees, etc.):** These will be determined on a case by case basis. The church office will be closed only in the event of *extreme* weather.

**IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**TODAY, Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary  
 3:00 p.m. Spencer Miller Concert – French Flute

**Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

12:30 p.m. Spiritual Formation & Discipleship Committee Meeting  
 8:00 p.m. AA in Fellowship Hall  
 8:00 p.m. Al Anon next to Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>**

3:00 p.m. After School  
 5:00 p.m. Children's Choir  
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study  
 6:30 p.m. Handbell Choir  
 7:30 p.m. Choir

**Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Shoney's  
 8:00 p.m. AA in the Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

**STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY**  
**Elders: Danny Brown & John Legard**

<b>Stewardship &amp; Attendance</b> for January 3, 2016	
Attendance:	127
Offering – Week of Jan 3:	\$17,175.00
Hunger:	\$35.00

**CHURCH BULLETINS** are available on our website! The link to view is <http://www.sinkingspring.org/worship.html#ws>.

**WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:** Mazie Cook, Helen Napps, and Reed Cooke (Commonwealth Assisted Living), Hazel Warden (Abingdon Rehab) and Don Preston

**WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE NEW CONCERNS:** Dottie Nowell

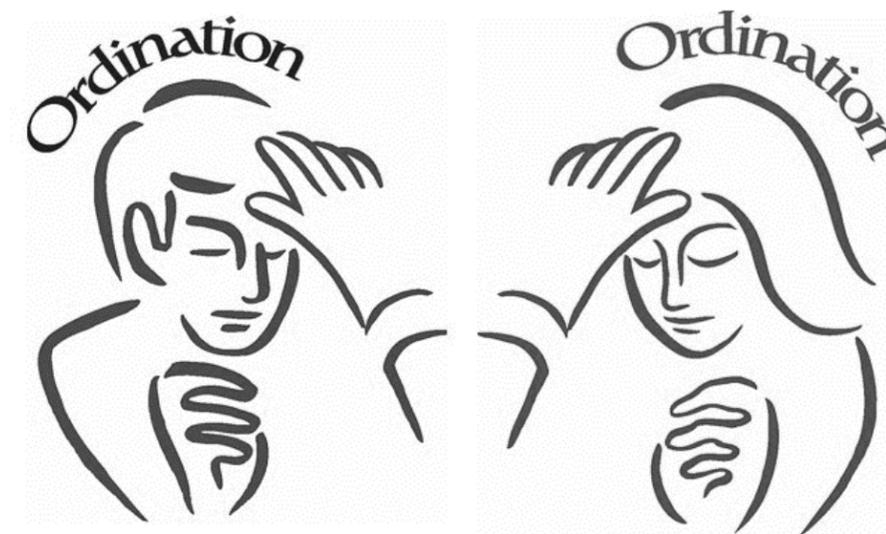
**WE ASK FOR PRAYERS FOR THESE CONTINUED CONCERNS:** Scotty McCoy, Sammy Shuttle and family, Charles Henninger, Richie Hooker, Ernie & Mary Barr, Russell Justus and Dennis Bailey

**AND FOR THESE MEN AND WOMEN IN THE MILITARY:** Joseph McGraw, Mark Widener, Walter Holcomb Jr., John Nowell II, John Nowell III and Dexter Bevis

\*Names remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks unless requested to keep them on longer

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