

Baptism of the Lord



*United Presbyterian Church
of
Plainfield, New Jersey*



January 12, 2020

11:00 AM

Youth Sunday

TO ALL THOSE WHO ENTER HERE, be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent.
Before the Service speak to God, during the Service let God speak to you, after the
Service speak to others.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE In Christ Called to Baptize

St. Denio

OPENING HYMN 475 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

CALL TO WORSHIP

*O God, some of us are discouraged
and long for your embrace.*

Wash us with your love.

*Some of us are weary,
weighed down by the desperation of this world.*

Wash us with your hope.

*Some of us are anxious
and seek refuge from chaotic lives.*

Wash us with your peace.

*Some of us are restless,
yearning for renewal or transformation.*

Wash us with your grace.

However we come into your presence,

pour out your Spirit upon us.

Let us come to the waters of baptism.

Let us worship God!

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace,

*You claim us as beloved children and call us
to follow you,*

but we do not always live out this calling.

*We stifle the gifts you have given us
rather than using them for your glory.*

*We sidestep opportunities to offer kindness
rather than showing love to our neighbors.*

*We pretend we can do nothing to further
justice in our world*

*and shy away from taking risks for the sake
of the gospel.*

Forgive us, Lord.

*Wash us again in the waters of baptism
and transform us by your grace,*

*so that our words may further righteousness
and our deeds be pleasing in your sight.*

*We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,
who offers us new life. Amen*

PERSONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE

CHILDREN / YOUTH MESSAGE

Bola/Yetunde Falowo

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 9:2-7
NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 1:26-38

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Page 69

***GLORIA PATRIA**

SERMON

THE RESPONSE

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BRINGING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove St. Agnes

***DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all
creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Hymn 708)**

*We give Thee but Thine own, What e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord from Thee.*

THE SENDING

**PARTING HYMN GTG 490 Wash, O God Our Sons and Daughters*

**CHARGE & BENEDICTION*

**CHORAL RESPONSE 599*

POSTLUDE God of Grace and God of Glory CWM Rhondda

Assisting in today's Worship:

Liturgist: Youth Participation

Ushers: Youth Participation

WE WELCOME YOU IN JESUS' NAME! Let us come before the Lord our maker. And may God grant us the humility to be receptive to God's life changing grace.

Nursery Care is provided for infants and toddlers.

Again, thanks for coming out today!!! Large Print Bulletins are available from an usher.

If you are interested in becoming a member of United Church, please see the pastor or an usher. You are invited to the Lind Room after worship for refreshments and conversation.

REMEMBER WITH YOUR PRAYERS, CARDS, AND CALLS

At Home: Ronn Daniels, Carl & Helen Foerster, Barbara Hyney, Thelma Barnes, Fred Robinson.

Frank Klikus: BJ Klikus husband

Jamie Sweeney: Helen Foerster's cousin

Jean Neumann: Helen Forester's niece

John and Marianna Perry: Helen Foerster's brother and wife

Annette O'Connor: Jean Scott's sister

Phyllis Sennyuen: Jean Scott's sister

Brandon Williams: friend to George & Ginni Hansen

Nabielah Scott: Kevin Scott's wife

Zachary Robinson: Jean Scott's nephew

Lillian Willing: Michelle Wildridge's mother

Wendy Oldham: Pat Dawson's friend

Osquit Vanderstoop

Gail Stokes, and Izaiyh Stokes: Gail Stokes grandson

Sylvia Denson: Gail Stokes friend

John Zayatz, Gail Stokes friend

Larry Brown: Gail Stokes brother-in-law

Freda Lenzo: friend of Jeanne Ashanky

Charisse Payne & Family: Elder & Mrs. Davis, daughter: Cathedral

Prayers for our students: Neekah Hinds, Mobolaji Falowo,

Izaiyah Stokes and Gean Bernard.

Prayers for peace and end to gun violence throughout our country.

U.S. Armed Forces in Afghanistan and citizens of these places.

People of Syria.

FROM OUR PRESBYTERY'S CALENDAR OF PRAYER:

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Berkeley Heights, Rev. George

Betz and Minister-at-Large, Rev. Elizabeth Y. Anderson-Domer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

1/15 Izaiyah Stokes

PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT IS DUE MARCH 1, 2020 as follows:

General Assembly \$8.95

The Synod of the Northeast \$4.10

The Elizabeth Presbytery \$31.95

Total 2020 Per Capita is \$ 45.00 . . . Per Capita is a member assessment used to fund the operating expenses of governing bodies (Book of Order; G-9.0404 d)

THE UPPER ROOM booklets for January/February are available on the literature rack in the Narthex. If you wish to make a donation, please place \$1.00 in a pew envelope mark “literature” and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!



Welcome!

I am ready to welcome the new!

Today I honor what has been and welcome what is to come. I give thanks

for the year that is ending, for all my experiences, and the growth of my soul. I am ready to say goodbye to past events, the challenges that strengthen my faith, and the blissful moments that made me whole. I create a personal ceremony for letting go. I imagine myself as a sacred vessel from which I pour out the past. With each gentle breath, I release everything to God. Reverently, I let go. I feel lighter in mind, body, and soul. I rest in the holy emptiness, trusting Spirit to fill it with Divine Love. On the threshold of a new beginning, I am ready to welcome new growth. I am cleansed, refreshed, and optimistic. I am grateful and open to God's good.

I am about to create new heavens...a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered. - Isaiah 65:17

-Daily Word



Begin the New Year
With God

SCHEDULE: January 12 -19, 2020

Sunday	11:00am	Worship Service
	12:30pm	Refreshments, Lind Room Deacons Meeting
	7:30pm	A/A Meeting, Friendship Hall

Monday 7:00 pm Boy Scouts, FH

Tuesday

Wednesday 7:00pm A/A Friendship Hall

Thursday

Friday

Saturday 6:30pm A/A, Hansen Room

Sunday 10:00am Adult Bible Study

11:00am Worship Service

Noon Refreshments, Lind Room

7:30pm A/A Friendship Hall

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