

PRESERVICE MUSIC	"Glory to God Forever"
WELCOME	Jim Loeffler
INVOCATION	
PRELUDE	"I Know Whom I Have Believed"
PRAISE SONGS	"I Will Follow"
	"Let the Worshippers Arise"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Adrianne Morton
OFFERING A PRAYER OF OUR GIFTS & THANKS T	O GOD
THE LORD'S PRAYER	

HYMN #714....."I Know Whom I Have Believed"

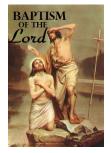
SERMON.....Pastor Keith

"Resiliency" The Power of Pressing On Philippians 3:12-14; 20-21

SONG OF RESPONSE......"How Can I Keep from Singing" BENEDICTION/BLESSING EXIT SONG"Glory to God Forever"

"RESILIENCY - THE POWER OF PRESSING ON" - Philippians 3:12-14; 20-21

"Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But ONE THING I DO: FORGETTING WHAT IS BEHIND and STRAINING TOWARD WHAT IS AHEAD, I PRESS ON toward the goal to win the praise FOR WHICH GOD HAS CALLED ME HEAVENWARD in CHRIST JESUS ... [for] our citizenship is in heaven. And we are eagerly await a Savior from heaven, the Lord Jesus Christ, who BY THE POWERS that enables him to bring EVERYTHING'S UNDER HIS CONTROL, WILL TRANSFORM our lowly bodies SO THAT THEY WILL BE LIKE JESUS' GLORIOUS BODY."



<u>Mark 1:7-11</u>: This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In most years, this feast is celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany. The Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on the Monday after Epiphany.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, Jesus' baptism was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to all who are present. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism shows that something new is beginning through the baptism and ministry of Jesus.

The baptism of Jesus is considered an important manifestation of God in the person of Jesus. Jesus' baptism inaugurates his mission.

REMINDER: COVID-19 Protocols!

With the increasing guidelines from the State of Pennsylvania we must continue to be perseverant and aware of our compliance with these rules. For the safety and well-being of **ALL** of those choosing to worship with us 'in-person' we ask that everyone who attends 'in-person' worship be aware and follow these rules:

- 1) Masks and distancing apply to ALL (that includes the parking lot).
- 2) Post-service lingerings and gatherings in the narthex must be avoided.
- 3) Family units <u>with children and that reside under one roof</u> may sit together. Otherwise, sitting groups must be limited to no more than 4 people.



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IN-PERSON BIBLE STUDIES in the Multi-purpose Room:

- Monday evenings @ 6:00 p.m. with Sue Fuller a Bible study for young mothers. If you'd like to join the group give Sue a call at 969-1649.
- Tuesday mornings @ 9:30 a.m. with Elna Morton. They are studying *"The Pilgrim's Progress."* Study begins January 12. All are welcome.
- Wednesday mornings at 11 am "The Battle Plan for Prayer" with Pastor Keith. The book is \$10 and you can contact the church office to purchase one. Next Chapters we will study are 15 & 16 starting Wed., January 13.



<u>We miss you</u>! Are you ready for worship?!!

We will, of course, be in full compliance with CDC Guidelines: Limiting our Capacity

Face Masks Social Distancing Temperature Check Sanitizing & Disinfecting