



January 12, 2020 | Baptism of the Lord Sunday

Welcome to our guests: We hope you find this service meaningful and that you will come again. Nursery care is available for infants and small children during worship and Sunday School. Youngsters through age five can also go to the nursery following the Children's Moment.

**People standing, as able.*

Ringling of the Tower Bells

Prelude

The Life of the Church

Jay Jackson

Please register your attendance at this time and check in on Facebook!

*Passing the Peace

As God has given us peace through Christ, so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.

*Greeting

Nathan Firmin

Pastor: The grace of our Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Call to Worship

from Psalm 29

Pastor: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

Pastor: The voice of the Lord is powerful,

People: The voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

***Hymn of Praise** Holy, Holy Holy! Lord God Almighty UMH 64

Introduction and Renunciation of Sin UMH 50

Offertory Prayer Jay Jackson
You can also text your offering to 903-417-0707

Offertory "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" J.S. Bach
(8:30) Cornerstone Ensemble
(10:45) Chancel Choir

Jesu, Joy of man's desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright. Drawn by thee, our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light. Word of God, our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned. Striving still to truth unknown. Soaring, dying, round thy throne.

Through the way where hope is guiding, hark, what peaceful music rings! Where the flock, in thee confiding, drink of joy from deathless springs. Theirs is beauty's fairest pleasure, theirs is wisdom's holiest treasure. Thou dost ever lead thine own, in the love of joys unknown.

*Doxology

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.

Children's Moment

Janice Crane

Children may meet Janice in the Chancel area

Pastoral Prayer

Nathan Firmin

*A Reading from the Gospels

Matthew 3:13-17 Page 3 N.T.

Lay Reader: (8:30) Margo Dewkett (10:45) Ric Hawthorne

Lay Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Claimed" Jay Jackson

Affirmation of Baptism UMH 51

Anthem (10:45) "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" K. Lee Scott

Gracious spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be. Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee. And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal. And, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior speak.

Truthful spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be. Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee. And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear. And, with actions brotherly, speak Christ's sincerity.

Holy spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be. Show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee. Separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good. And whatever I can be give him who gave me thee.

Gracious spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be. Help me now thy power to see, I would be like thee. 'Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield. Let thy word my weapon be, Lord thine the victory. Gracious spirit, dwell with me, I would be like thee!

***Hymn of Invitation** Spirit Song UMH 347

***Sending Forth** Jay Jackson

*Postlude

Join the Chancel Choir!

Wednesdays at 6:30—8:00 p.m. in the Choir Room

The Chancel Choir sings music encompassing a wide variety of styles from the great traditional choral classics to the inspired music of today's contemporary composers - and we have great fellowship too!

In addition to our weekly anthems, we will be working on our music for Holy Week, including the Easter Cantata on Palm Sunday (*April 5*).

Whatever kind of music you are into, the Chancel Choir has something to offer you! Make that leap of faith and join us as we praise God through music!

*For more information, please contact me at the church
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