



**January 12, 2025  
Baptism of the Lord**

## Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

“Jesus, the Light of the World”

Buxtehude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Come to the fountain of life.

**Come to the streams of mercy.**

Come, dip in the reservoir of forgiveness.

**Immerse yourself in the waters of healing.**

Come, be renewed by the eternal springs.

**Be filled with overflowing blessing.**

Come, walk beside still waters.

**Be empowered by the rivers of justice.**

Come, all you yearning for meaning, hoping for truth, thirsting for God.

**All: Here, find your thirst quenched and your joy expanded.**

## Songs of Praise

“Blessed Be Your Name”

#343

“Here’s My Heart”

Tomlin

“I Surrender All”

#739

## Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, patient and full of goodness, we confess to you with our whole hearts our neglect and forgetfulness of your commandments, our wrongdoing, thinking, and speaking, the hurts we have done to others, and the good we have left undone. O God, forgive us, for we have sinned against you, and raise us to newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Assurance of Forgiveness

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God!**

## Passing of the Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*Please greet one another with the peace of Christ.*

## Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Reading

Psalm 29

Becca Paul

Time for Young Disciples

Pastor Matt

Scripture Reading

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Sermon

“Can You Hear It?”

Pastor Matt

## Responding to the Word

Hymn of Response

“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”

#746

Offering

## Song of Praise and Prayer of Dedication

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. Amen, amen.

## Baptismal Renewal Song

“Be Thou My Vision”

#859

## Prayers of the People

### Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Bearing and Following the Word into the World

## Closing Hymn

“Come, We That Love the Lord”

#483

## Benediction

## Postlude

Recessional

Hughes

## Leading in Today’s Service

*Worship Leaders:* Pastor Matt, Becca Paul, Michael Rivers

*Pianist/Organist:* Anna Nichols

*Worship Music Team (varies):* Beverly Brown, Jim Buckmaster, Pam Carnahan, Dick Chambers

*Media Team (varies):* Paul Stutesman, Todd Haworth, Wayne Brown, Bruce McCloskey, Bonnie McCloskey, Dorita Reed, Bret Curtis, Dona Hair, Mark Wendt, Barb Pappas, Bob Pappas, Sadie Miller

*Slides:* Lauren Corder, Cathi Hughes

## Announcements

**Adult Sunday School resumes**, today, between services  
**Naomi Circle**, Monday, January 13, 1 pm, Fellowship Hall  
**Building & Grounds**, Monday, January 13, 2 pm, Upstairs Classroom  
**FISH Company**, Tuesday, January 14, 8 am, Zoom  
**Praise Team**, Tuesday, January 14, 6:45 pm, Sanctuary  
**Women's Bible Study**, Wednesday, January 15, 9 am, Upstairs Classroom  
**Book Club**, Thursday, January 16, 10:30 am, Fellowship Hall  
**Reel Reflections**, Thursday, January 16, 6 pm (BYOD - Bring Your Own Dinner), movie at 6:30, Fellowship Hall/Zoom  
**Worship**, Sunday, January 19, 8:30 am and 11 am  
**Sunday School**, January 19, 9:45 am, Upstairs Classroom

## Next Sunday's Worship - January 19, 2025, 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Genesis 26:1-5, \*Luke 3:23-38, "Jesus' Family Tree"

When most of us come across genealogies in the Bible, our tendency is to, at best, give them a quick glance and move on. They are often long, boring, and full of unfamiliar—not to mention, unpronounceable—names. But family trees are important. When we dig into them, we can unearth so many interesting things about our families and about ourselves. So, instead of passing over Jesus' genealogy in Luke 3, we are going to look at it together to see what we can learn about Jesus' family...and about ourselves. Take a look at Luke 3:24-28. What names do you recognize there? What names surprise you? What resemblance do you bear to our spiritual ancestors?

*Nursery care is available during the 8:30 am service.*

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What is something you learned in church that you wish more people knew about?

*Tear off your answer and place in the collection plate.*