

Baptism of the Lord
January 8, 2023 – 10:55 A.M.

*Please stand as you are able

ENTRANCE

MEDITATIVE MUSIC Jeanne Banks, Pianist
ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Will Waller
CHIMING THE HOUR
OPENING VOLUNTARY Mrs. Banks
ACOLYTE MINISTRY

GREETING

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Ina Clements, Liturgist
L: Lord, we enter worship this day longing to worship you,
yet hindrances and hang-ups hamper.
P: We lay these burdens down at your feet.
L: You bless us beyond measure, even beyond what we can easily see.
P: All honor and praise are yours.
L: Clarify in us a vision this new year of how you love and care for us,
P: And not let the voice of the Evil One minimize yours. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *Here, O My Lord, I See Thee* (vs. 1-2) No. 623
***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed* No. 881
INVITATION TO THE CHILDREN *Where Children Belong* TFWS No. 2233
CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Waller
(Afterwards, children in preschool through 2nd grade may go to Children's Church.)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Esther 2:1-16 Old Testament pg. 423
L: The Word of God for the people of God.
P: Thanks be to God!
SERMON *For This Moment: Not Just* Rev. Waller
OFFERTORY
(Please tear off the pew pad attendance sheet and place in the offering plate.)

***THE DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 94
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,
Whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

ANTHEM

PRAYER REQUESTS

CALL TO PRAYER *Cares Chorus* TFWS No. 2215
I cast all my cares upon you, I lay all of my burdens down at your feet,
and anytime that I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon you.

PASTORAL PRAYER

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON

THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead
us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the
power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

*At the invitation of an usher, please use a center aisle to come to a Communion Station. After
receiving a piece of bread, please place it in the chalice of juice and eat it. A gluten-free station is
located at the center of the Communion Rail. Afterwards, please return to your seat via a side aisle.
All offerings left at the Rail are used in our "Helping Fund," supporting emergency needs for Franklin
County residents.
(Individual communion containers will be available if you would like to use them.)*

SENDING FORTH

***CLOSING HYMN** *Here, O My Lord, I See Thee* (vs. 3-5) No. 623
***THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY**
***BENEDICTION**
***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *As We Go*
As we go, may your spirit go before us. As we go, may we follow where you lead.
May we live what we have learned, share the message we have heard,
and be a light unto the world, as we go.
***GOING FORTH** Rev. Waller
***POSTLUDE** Mrs. Banks

Serving Today:

Liturgist: Ina Clements

Greeter: Jane Waller

Acolyte: John Godfrey

Children's Church: Jane Waller

Nursery: Jessica Call

Counters: Martha Sue Gibson, Becky Newbill

Serving Next Week (January 15):

Liturgist: Steve Angle

Greeters: Nathan, Jovie and Georgia Angle

Children's Church: Ruth Cook

Nursery: Terry Moran

Counters: Ina Clements, Ben Whitesell

Prayer Concerns:

Our country, our church and those serving in our armed forces; People of Ukraine; Jack Dillon; Jason Lavinder; Hazel Henderson; Peggie Foster; Kathleen Higgins; Lillie Hatchett; Jerry Davis; Barbara Huffman; Lynn Cooper; Anna Campbell; Betty Dillon; CO Brickey; Dick Shoemaker; Jennifer Cooper; John Cooper; Arnold Dillon, Sr.; Paul and Barbara Scaffaci (Nancy Middaugh); Don Angle (Steve Angle); Cheryl Peck (Sandra Funk); Janis Odom (DJ Pritchard); Becky Bennett (Jennie Ardis); Mike Shea (Enna Roseberry); Debbie Ford (Ben Whitesell); and Dennis Holland (Cyndee Holland).

Forget-Me-Nots:

Eleanor Woody

**Will Waller, Pastor
Lynn M. Meeks, Director of Music/Diaconal Minister
Jeanne Banks, Pianist
Valerie Latimer, Administrative Assistant
Jennifer Ardis, Nursery Attendant
Rebecca Dillon, Children's Church Coordinator
Brad Hodges, Custodian**

Meetings and Announcements:

- Monday, January 9 11:00 a.m., United Women in Faith Meeting
7:00 p.m., Boy Scouts

- Tuesday, January 10 7:00 p.m., Jubilant Ringers

- Wednesday, January 11 5:00 p.m., Wonderful Wednesday
7:00 p.m., Chancel Choir

- Thursday, January 12 6:30 p.m., Cub Scouts

- Next Sunday, January 15 10:00 a.m., Small Groups
10:55 a.m., Worship

- Monday, January 16 **February Newsletter Deadline**

- Tuesday, January 17 7:00 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting

- Wednesday, January 18 5:15 p.m., Children's Ministry Meeting

- Friday, January 20-
Sunday, January 22 **High Schoolers' Ski Trip**

- Tuesday, January 24 **Serve lunch at Stepping Stone Soup Kitchen**
12:00 p.m., Sunshine Girls will meet at Ippy's for lunch
7:00 p.m., Church Council Meeting

- Thursday, January 26 **Serve lunch at Stepping Stone Soup Kitchen**

Assistive listening devices are available outside the sanctuary.

We are collecting rice and cereal for Heavenly Manna this month. Please put your donations in the barrel located in the narthex. Thank You!