

Morning Worship—January 13, 2019

Baptism of the Lord

*Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. *Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, "Amen," after hymns.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"A Joyful Alleluia"

Handbell Choir

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 29

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly being, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of God's name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

People: May the Lord give strength to God's people! May the Lord bless God's people with peace!

All: Let us worship God!

***HYMN OF PRAISE 356**

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You, who in Christ have assured redemption, hear our confession and forgive our sin. Christ proclaims your goodwill toward all people, yet we pursue vengeance. Those who mourn go uncomforted, as warfare continues in the earth. Captives without number await deliverance while we take freedom for granted. The afflicted await some sign of good news. Amid the ruins of cities and the clamor of protesting voices, we confess our disobedience. Save your people, O God, and cleanse us of our sin, for the sake of your Anointed One, Jesus Christ.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Recall John's words, "I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming. . . who will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."

People: As we repent our wickedness, Christ, who knows the intents of our hearts, cleanses us of all sin. The threshing floor is stirred and sifted so that wheat can be gathered. May the unquenchable fire of the Spirit purge our beings and prepare us for the reign of God.

***GLORIA PATRI (579)**

GREATOREX, 1851

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.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Tom Gillespie

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O Lord our God, Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive Your truth in faith and love, that we may be obedient to Your will and live always for Your glory, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

(514/542)

Isaiah 43:1-7

ANTHEM

"Christ, Be Our Light"

Text by Bernadette Farrell

GOSPEL LESSON

(726/764)

Luke 3:15-17,21-22

SERMON

"Powerful Tenderness"

Dr. John McDonald

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (See Apostles' Creed in Aids to Worship pew insert)

***HYMN OF RESPONSE 309**

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER (See pew insert)

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offering in Music

"See, Amid the Winter's Snow"

Handbell Choir

*Doxology 591

OLD HUNDREDTH

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 OF COMMITMENT 280**

"Amazing Grace"

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

#464, first stanza

POSTLUDE

"Air"

by William Hine

The flowers that enhance our worship service are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Ronnell D. Belton by his family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL CONCERNS— Chlodine Bittner (J. Weller’s grandmother), Amy Bracey, Dr. Randolph Bradshaw, Lisa Brown, Charles Cuttle, Lib Cuttle, Matthew Dolianitis, Dianne East, Martha Jo Hodges, Bobby Hudson, Gail Jones, Beth Landfair (John’s mother), Bill Landfair (J. McDonald’s step father), Ellen McDonald (John’s wife), Dana Overstreet (S. Mathena), Freel Shipe (J. McDonald’s father-in-law), Ella Ryan, Sandra Strange, Jim Turner, Tom West, Nultie Wiseman
The concerns of those who wish to remain unnamed.

ON THE MEND— Joe Alexander, James Gill Sr. & Jr., Mrs. Helen Harris (Kathleen Harris’ mother), Jay Hayes, Dianne Hottenstein, (S. Mathena), Mary Ann W. Lewis, Willem van der Griendt, Jane Marini (B. Fitzgerald’s daughter)

Our Service Personnel & First Responders.

The people of Togo.

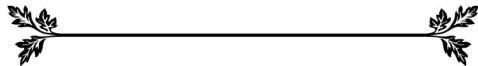
Our condolences to the friends and family of Lee Norman who passed away on 1/4/2019.

Our own, Ina Dodson, has been selected to exhibit at the Danville Museum of Fine Arts and History January 13 - March 3. Her Open Reception will be Sunday, January 13, 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. You are invited.

We still need some Chili for our Chili Cookoff which will be held on Wednesday January 23 at 6 p.m. Let Brenna know if you are interested in bringing a pot of chili to the Great Chili Cookoff!!

SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School	B. Takata
Children’s Sunday School	K. Dolianitis/M. Sweeney
Elders at Front Door	E. Blount
Security & Side Door	C. B. Strange
Visitation	K. Meadows
Deacon to Receive Offering	S. Mathena
Officers to Count Offering	Beale/Meadema
Church School Superintendent	Gail Davis
Liturgist	B. Meadema
Time for Young Disciples	T. Gillespie
Sound System	R. Beale
Ushers	Team 2
Flower Ministry	Deacons
Childcare Specialists	Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler
Saturday Lunch Ministry Jan. 19th	D. Parris/K. Meadows
Saturday Lunch Attendance 12/29	39



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TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

MONDAY, January 14

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
 11:00 a.m. VIP Committee

TUESDAY, January 15

5:15 p.m. Hand Bells

WEDNESDAY, January 16

5:00 p.m. PNC
 6:00 p.m. Youth

THURSDAY, January 17

5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, January 18

All Day Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, January 19

8:00 a.m. Men’s Breakfast & Bible Study
 10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study
 11:30 a.m. Lunch Ministry

SUNDAY, January 20

9:00 a.m. Missions Committee
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School:
 See below for Class information
 11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary
 Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS
 Noon Fellowship

Opportunities to Study the Word every Sunday Morning

Youth & Adult Sunday School 9:45 a.m.– 10:40 a.m.

Youth (middle & high school) Rm 112 /discussion type class studying scripture lesson used in Sunday’s sermon

Bible Seekers/Rm 109/ “Feasting on the Word” / discussion type class

Bible Study Fellowship/Library/ Ligonier Ministry’s “Tabletalk Magazine” / discussion type class

Outlook/Rm 322/“The Present Word” / lecture type class

The Children’s Extended Time (mid-worship 11:15-12:00) Deep Blue Cokesbury Curriculum

K-2 /Rm304/various instructors/Gr 3-5/Rm 306/various instructors

We provide nursery care from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and Sunday School for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.