First Presbyterian Church

**Baptism of the Lord** 

Sunday, January 9, 2022

\*Those who are able may stand

PREWORSHIP FELLOWSHIP PRELUDE MUSIC WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS INVITATION TO REST

GATHERING HYMN #463....."How Firm a Foundation"

### **\*OPENING SENTENCES (Responsive)**

I am with you, says the Lord <u>Do not fear</u> I have called you by name <u>Do not fear</u> You are mine.

### Do not be afraid.

#### KYRIE

(Please join us in the "Kyrie", an ancient song that mirrors the words people used to cry out to Jesus for healing in the scriptures. In Greek they mean, "Lord, have mercy". The church has sung these words for thousands of years as prayer and to prepare our hearts for confession.)

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## **CONFESSION OF NEED (Unison)**

### God of Grace,

We remember the waters of our baptism. How they claimed us, forgave us, and laid your Promises of love and grace without limit on our lives. And in return you only ask us to trust. But we confess, this is hard. <u>Too hard for us to do on our own.</u> <u>The tide of life pulls at our feet too forcefully.</u> <u>The rushing of its waves roar too loudly for us not to listen.</u> The dangers it threatens seem too overwhelming.

This is why we confess, not only our need for your grace but also for the ability to remember, to trust, to live into it fully. Please, God of hope, turn our weakness into our source of strength, our need into our wellspring blessing, our lives into your story of reconciliation of all things.

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## SILENCE FOR CONFESSION AND RESTING IN GOD'S GRACE

## **DECLARATION OF GRACE (Responsive)**

The love of God flows endlessly. The mercy of God never ends. This is the good news in Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God

\*RESPONSE HYMN #<u>177</u> ......""I Will Come to You"

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST The Peace of Christ be with you! <u>And Also, with you!</u> Let us share a sign of God's peace with one another.



## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Holy Spirit, help us hear your voice beyond our inability to hear and understand your word beyond any speaker's ability to explain. Through your word, speak to our hearts even if our heads are not ready to listen. Amen.

### **SCRIPTURE**

FIRST READING ......Isaiah 43:1-7 (pg 745) Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: <u>Thanks be to God!</u>

SECOND READING.....Luke 3:15-17,21-23 (pg 61) Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Praise to You, O Christ

#### SERMON

We're All Baptized. The Question is: "Into What?"

Rev. Michael Ozaki

### SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

\*HYMN OF THE DAY #<u>482</u>.....""Baptized in Water"

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Lord in your Mercy. Hear our Prayer.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (forgive us our "sins")

### \*BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)

Beloved children of God receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the blessing of the Lord forever. <u>Alleluia! Amen.</u>

\*CLOSING HYMN #<u>319</u>....."Shout to the North"

## \*DISMISSAL (Responsive) Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. <u>Thanks be to God.</u> <u>Amen.</u>

### \*POSTLUDE



# Please continue to be in prayer for:

Kaylee Acevedo & FamilyJoAnn WestburgAlex Gullingsrud & FamilyBrent BlakeScott BrolsmaRandy BeattieDuane & Betty FinkenbinderRichard Gould

A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!

Our church has a wonderful array of ministries that seek to spread the gospel into the world. If you are interested in finding out more about the church community or are interested in becoming a member, please contact us at:

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## Calendar for this week:

Sunday, January 9, 2022

10:30 amWorship11:30 amCoffee Fellowship

Preaching	Rev. Michael Ozaki
Ushers & Greeters	Marlys Mjoen / Lynne Mullins
Organist	George French
Music Director	Sandy Perkins
Reader	Sandy Perkins

Wednesday, January 12 5 pm Bell Rehearsal

Thursday, January 131 pmBible Study

### Next Sunday, January 16

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Coffee Fellowship

Preaching	Rev. Greg Isaacson
Ushers & Greeters	Jon & Merrie Nelson
Organist	George French
Music Director	Sandy Perkins
Reader	Marsha Odom