THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, January 12, 2025

Baptism of the Lord

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE Iste Confessor L. Perosi

INTROIT Down Galilee's Slow Roadways WEST MAIN

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 29:1-11)

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD! Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory of His name! Worship the LORD in holy splendor!

Leader: The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders!

People: The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty!

Leader: The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire! **People:** The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness!

Leader: The LORD sits enthroned as king forever!

People: May the LORD give strength to His people! May the LORD bless His people with

peace!

*HYMN #72 When Jesus Came to Jordan DE EERSTEN ZUN DE

LAATSTEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God of mercy: Your Son was baptized for the sins of the world. But we have pretended to be faultless, and we have no part in His baptism. You have commanded us to renounce our sinful ways, but we have ignored Your will and have followed our own. Have mercy on us, O God, and forgive our sin. Make us more faithful disciples of Your Son, obeying His word, and showing His love. In the name of Jesus, our Christ and our Savior, we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

KYRIE #572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*** PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

ANTHEM The Baptism of Christ Andrew March

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON

"When Heaven is Opened"

Rev. Curtis Christian

*HYMN #322

Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father, through him all things were made. For us and our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father (and the Son), who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579

Gloria Patri

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #592

Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Words of Institution

The Administration of the Elements

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #148

At the Name of Jesus verses 1 and 3

KING'S WESTON

verses I and 3

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

We Too Have Found a Roadway

WEST MAIN

*POSTLUDE

***Late Arrivals Seated

^{*}Those who are able, please stand