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JANUARY 8, 2017
Baptism of the Lord

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MR. KENNETH FRIESE, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
MRS. DIANE STAROST, DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MUSIC
MS. TINA CODY, DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S AND
YOUTH MINISTRIES

GATHERING

Prelude Improvisation *Ken Friese*

Welcome and Announcements
Moment for Mission from our PNC *Jim Colbert*

Introit "Blow the Trumpet in Zion"
The Sanctuary Choir *J. N. Beck*

Call to Worship

Minister: In the beginning, at creation, the Spirit hovered over
the waters of the deep.

People: **In the waters of the flood, God cleansed the earth
and humankind.**

Minister: God caused the waters to part so that Israel could
cross from slavery to liberation.

People: **God formed Jesus in the waters of Mary's womb.**

Minister: Jesus taught us how to live by washing his disciples'
feet with water.

People: **Drinking water from a well, Jesus met a Samaritan
woman, the first person to recognize that he was
the Christ.**

Minister: Today we celebrate the baptism of Jesus, the Christ.

People: **God meant for Jesus to be the firstborn in a larger
family. Praise Be!**

Prayer of the Day

*Hymn No. 769 "For Everyone Born" FOR EVERYONE BORN

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God, you show no partiality, yet we are not always as tolerant and accepting. Forgive our intolerance, and help us to see as you see that we may be found acceptable in your sight through Jesus our Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Minister: God forgives all our sin and promises to bring us to everlasting life.

People: Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri, No. 579

*The Peace

Minister: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we also ought to forgive one another. The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Children's Moments

Carly Burnett

WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson Acts 10:34-43 N.T. p.129-130/P.157-158

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "Awake, Awake!"
The Sanctuary Choir

C. Courtney

Second Lesson Matthew 3:15-17 N.T. p.3/P.3

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Baptism Is For Keeps!"

Rev. Tom Castlen

*Hymn No. 488 "I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry" WATERLIFE

Reaffirmation of the Baptism Covenant

Scripture Readings

Profession of Faith

*Affirmation of Faith *Apostles' Creed (Traditional)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried, he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving for Baptism and Reaffirmation of the Baptism Covenant

The Peace

Pastoral Prayers & 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.

OFFERING

Offertory Prayer

Receiving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“River in Judea”
The Sanctuary Choir

Arr. By J. Leavitt

*Doxology No. 592

*Prayer of Thanksgiving & Choral Response

Sending

*Hymn No. 475 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” NETTLETON

*Benediction

*Choral Response, No. 586

—*Please join our Sanctuary Choir in singing our way out into the world—*

*Organ Postlude “March on ‘Lasst Uns Erfreuen’” *J. Nixon*

**Please stand, as you are able.*

THIS MORNING’S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Rev. Anne Stewart Miller, Interim Pastor

Rev. Tom Castlen, Guest Minister

Carly Burnett, Children’s Moments

James Thatcher, Lector

Charles Worledge, Usher Captain

Roger Ketchum, Bill Roe

—*This morning’s flowers are given to the glory of God.*

If you would like to honor or memorialize a loved one, please sign the flower calendar in the central foyer or call the church office.

IN OUR PRAYERS:

New to the prayer list this week: Joan Lobasso (member)

Continue to pray for those who remain on our prayer list:

Family of Edward Burgess (Paul’s father), Caitlin Colbert (granddaughter of Jim and Kris Colbert), Bob Esser (member), Dave and Else Haddock (members), Bill Murphy (Vera Murphy’s son), Our Pastor Nominating Committee and your next pastor, Cynde and Robert Raynor (Brett’s parents), Rebecca Raynor (Brett’s sister), Jim Schubauer (member), Gerry Schult (member), Ed Williams (member), Grace Youngquist (member), and Diane Zamow (member) and her father.

Names on our prayer list will remain for a month.

If you wish to have a name remain on the list, kindly contact the Church Office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMITTEE REPORTS: All committee year end reports are due Wednesday, January 11, 2017. Please submit to the Church office either by stopping by the Church office or email at cheriecornell@oldfirstchurchhuntington.org.

YOUTH CLUB AND KIDS' AND YOUTH CHOIRS: The Youth club will not meet this Wednesday, January 11, 2017 but will meet again on the 18th.

Youth Club grades 1-8 from 5-7 pm in Youth Room

Kids' and Youth Choirs will rehearse this Wednesday, January 11, 2017

- Kids' Choir (grades 1-3) 5-5:30
- Youth Choir (5:30-6).

New singers are welcome in 2017 as rehearsals start again in the choir room - Come give us a try!

FOOD 4 THE SOUL will meet TONIGHT at 6:00 p.m. in the Youth Room

STEPHEN MINISTERS TRAINING resumes TODAY in the Library from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Other dates in January are Sunday, 1/15/17, Sunday, 1/22/17, and Saturday, 1/28/17 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

THRIFT STORE: There will be a meeting TODAY after worship at 11:15 a.m. in the Fiske Room

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:

- **PW-C3/Bible Study** will resume Wednesday, January 18th 2017 at 12 noon in Room 101. There will not be an evening Bible study on the 18th. The Bible Study will be studying the Gospel of John. Please bring in a Christmas card that was received this year that truly describes what Christmas means to you.
- **CIRCLE-4/QUILTING** will resume again on Thursdays starting January 12th from 9:30-11:00 am in Room 101. All are welcome. No experience necessary.
- **CIRCLE-6/CRAFTS** will resume meeting again on Friday mornings at 9:45 a.m. in the craft room -212. All are welcome.
- **FALL FAIR:** There will be a Fall Fair meeting on Sunday, January 22nd at 11:15 a.m. in the Fiske Room.
- **LAYETTE:** The layette is in need of lightly used baby towels for both boys and girls.

THRIFT STORE:

- Volunteers are needed for Thursdays and Fridays from 11am to 1:30pm. Please let Cynthia know if you can work occasionally or every week.

WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, January 8 - 2017

Baptism of the Lord

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Worship

10:20-11:00 a.m. Church School (*Room 102*)

11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Thrift Store Meeting (*Fiske Rm*)

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers Training

6:00-8:00 p.m. Food 4 the Soul (*Youth Room*)

6:15-8:45 p.m. AA (*Downstairs Room 10*)

Monday, January 9- 2017

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Learning Center (*Basement*)

9:15-10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (*Room 102*)

7:30-9:00 p.m. B.S. Committee Meeting (*Youth Rm*)

7:30-9:00 p.m. Trustees (*Room 101*)

Tuesday, January 10 - 2017

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Learning Center (*Basement*)

11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (*Basement/Room 11*)

1:00-2:00 p.m. AA (*Basement, Room 10*)

7:00-8:00 p.m. Deacons (*Room 101*)

Wednesday, January 11 - 2017

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Learning Center (*Basement*)

9:15-10:15 a.m. Gentle Bends (*Room 102*)

5:00-5:30 p.m. Kids' Choir Rehearsal (*Room 211*)

5:30-6:00 p.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal (*Room 211*)

7:00-9:15 p.m. AA (*Basement, Room 10*)

7:30-9:00 p.m. B.S. Troop 32 (*Gym*)

Thursday, January 12 - 2017

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Learning Center (*Basement*)

9:30-11:00 a.m. PW-C4/Quilting (*Room 101*)

11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (*Basement/Room 11*)

5:00-9:30 p.m. Giant Steps (*Room 102*)

8:00-9:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Reh. (*Room 211*)

Friday, January 13 - 2017

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. The Learning Center (*Basement*)

9:30-11:30 a.m. Al Anon (*Room 101*)

9:45a.m.-12 p.m. PW-Crafts (*Craft Room-212*)

11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Thrift Store (*Basement/Room 11*)

Sunday, January 15 - 2017

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Family Worship Service

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers Training

6:15-8:45 p.m. AA (*Downstairs Room 10*)

OLD FIRST CHURCH SESSION MEMBERS:

Guiding the church as we seek to serve Christ and our community

Class of 2017

Kerry Degnan

Tom Glascock

Jerry Kessler

Gary Lorentzson

Gillian Plastaras

Leslie Schult

Thomas Bosch, *Clerk of Session*

The Rev. Anne Stewart Miller, *Moderator*

Class of 2018

Curt Abbott

Melissa Balm

Peter Fetterolf

Laure McKenna

Julie Salzano

Cindy Samuels

Class of 2019

Jim Colbert

Katie Dopico

Beverly Elliott

Gretchen Hargis

Amy Girimonti

Marge Sammis

OLD FIRST CHURCH BOARD OF DEACONS:

Caring for the congregation and beyond

Class of 2017

Carol Breckner

Judy Gilbert

Jared Ponzetti

Tammy Ponzetti

Kathy Porter

Mary Samuel

Charles Worledge,

Moderator

Class of 2018

Julie Andrade

Victor Andrade,

Treasurer

Mary Frazier

Asenath Fuchs

Linda Ketcham

Heather Tucker

Jim Vice

Class of 2019

Holly Baptista,

Secretary

Sue Degnan

Cheryl Grossman

Elina Thatcher

Martha Tibbetts

Leslie Yovino

OLD FIRST CHURCH BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Overseeing the church's resources to undergird mission and ministry

Class of 2017

Bruce Elliott

James Thatcher,

Vice President

Ed Williams

Class of 2018

Victor Budzitowski

Kathy Porter,

Secretary

Cynthia Samuels,

President

Class of 2019

Brian Behrens

John Collins

Liz Richter

Rev. Tom M. Castlen returns to lead worship this morning. In retirement he preaches on Long Island, maintains a coaching practice for church leaders nationally and internationally, and provides a prayer ministry for “friends” on Facebook. He lives in St. James.

Today is Baptism of the Lord Sunday. Presbyterians have recovered an ancient practice of Reaffirming the Baptism Covenant on this Sunday. Reaffirmation is not re-baptism. It is the opportunity to renew the commitment made when you were baptized.

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FIRST LESSON
Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 3:15-17

But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

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