



# BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 8, 2012

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

CHIMES

GREETING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PRELUDE

Concerto #2 in G Major

Bach

†CALL TO WORSHIP

†HYMN 474

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**In the waters of baptism, O God,  
you have cleansed us and claimed us.  
Forgive us for resisting your grace  
and for denying your name.  
We have followed our own paths,  
and they have led us far from you.  
Help us to live into our baptisms,  
to trust that all we need is in you,  
for you have marked us as your own,  
loving us without limit.  
Wash us with your love yet again,  
so that with clean hearts  
we may go in the way of Jesus.**

(Silent prayer)

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**

†DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

†RESPONSE

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

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Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

LESSON

Genesis 1:1-5

p. 1 O.T.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM 29 (please join in the refrain as directed)



“Glo - ry to God! Glo-ry to God!” Sing for - ev - er “Glo - ry to God!”

*All on earth and all in heaven, Raise to God a song on high;  
strength unmeasured, Love unbounded, God alone we glorify.  
(refrain)*

*God of the waters, God of thunder, God's own might can make them cease;  
God's own voice which tumult beckons in a gentler breath speaks peace.  
(refrain)*

ANTHEM - I            I Sing the Mighty Power of God            Watts

ANTHEM - II            I Sing the Mighty Power of God            Scholin

*I sing the almighty power of God, that made the mountains rise,  
that spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;  
the moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.*

*I sing the goodness of the Lord, who filled the earth with food,  
I formed the creatures with his Word, and then pronounced them good.  
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eyes,  
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky.*

*There's not a plant or flower below, but makes thy glories known,  
and clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne;  
while all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care;  
And everywhere that we can be, thou, God, art present there.*

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN - II

LESSON

Mark 1:9-11

p. 812 N.T

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

A Good Beginning

John Wurster

*Silence and Stillness*

†HYMN

Crashing Waters at Creation



1. Crash - ing wa - ters\_ at cre - a - tion, or - dered by the\_ spir - it's breath,  
2. Cleans - ing wa - ter\_ once at Jor - dan closed a - round the\_ one fore - told,  
3. Liv - ing wa - ter, nev - er end - ing, quench the thirst and\_ flood the soul.



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first to wit - ness day's be - gin - ning from the bright ness\_ of night's death.  
o - pened to\_ re - veal the glo - ry ev - er new\_ and\_ ev - er old.  
Well - spring, source of life e - ter - nal, drench our dry - ness, make us whole.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS - II

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER - I

**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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER - II *(please echo the cantor)*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Baptized in Water

Gaelic Melody

†RESPONSE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow: Praise God all creatures here below. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Praise God above ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and holy Ghost. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Holy God,  
our beginning and our end,  
you created us in love and you sustain us in grace,  
by your hand we are fed and by your word we are guided.

**We thank you for the good things  
you set before us, day by day.  
Bless us as we seek to use well all that we have received  
and inspire us to live holy and joyful lives  
as we seek to follow Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

†HYMN 495

We Know That Christ Is Raised

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Toccata

Martin

## Worship Notes

Large print bulletins and hearing aid devices are available from an usher.

†Please stand if able. **Bold** type indicates unison response.

An audio recording of each week's sermon and the Sunday bulletin are available on our website ([www.fpckerville.org/sermons.htm](http://www.fpckerville.org/sermons.htm)). If you would like a CD copy or a written copy of a sermon, please contact the church office.

Elders and Deacons being ordained and/or installed are:  
*Elders:* Mike Busby, Neill Day, Amy Havis, Cathy Long, Susan Reinbach, Joyce Schlechte, Judy Wunsch; *Deacons:* Ted Boyce, Julie Dunlap, Deda Garlitz, Marcus Goodyear, Dixie Williams, Phil Zimmer.

## Serving Today

### MUSICIANS

I/II - Michael Kahl, cantor  
I - First Service Ensemble  
II - Chancel Choir

### SCHEDULED GREETERS

I - Betty Lewis, Herb Lewis

II - Dayton Baublitz, Gil McCoy, Eunice McCoy, Joyce Odem, Deda Garlitz, Emily Cale

### SCHEDULED USHERS

I - Sally Bobertz, Roger Bobertz, Tom Hamilton

II - Cathy Long, Joe Heffington, Christine Chenoweth, Don Coombs, Judy Coombs, Mike Busby, Lori Hallberg, Paul Hallberg

### ACOLYTES

Cole Lutz  
CJ Goodyear

### READERS

I - Fane Downs  
II - Graydon Vaught

### SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Dave Tritenbach, Amy Jones, Amy Priour, Julie Dunlap, Kim Lohmeyer, Michelle Epps, Marcus Goodyear, Jane Ragsdale, Matt Priour, Warren Schlechte, Kristie Schlechte, LeRoy Schlechte, Howard Hovde, Walter Workman, Barbara Noblin, Fane Downs,

### SCHREINER SHUTTLE DRIVERS

Julie House-Rhoda, Mike Busby, Sara Lohmeyer, Stuart Lohmeyer, John Epps

### NURSERY AND EXTENDED CARE VOLUNTEERS

Al and Laura Lutz

### SOUND RECORDER

Ralph Pelton

## Sunday School Begins Today!

**Friendship Bible Study.** Join us as we study the writings of St. Paul; his theology, philosophy, discipline, and practical advice. We will continue our study of his epistle to the Roman Church, starting with Chapter 12, on Jan. 8, 2012, followed by II Corinthians later in the year. This is the *Friendship Class*, where we strive to know each other as we strive to learn more about the *Word of God*. Our format is lecture, discussion and sharing. We will continue to meet in room 208, starting at 9:45 a.m. This class will be led by LeRoy Schlechte in room 208.

**Finishing the Race – Finding Grace in Life's Final Journey.** Imprisoned in Rome and approaching the end of his life, the apostle Paul wrote to his disciple Timothy, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." As Christians, we too hope to travel the path at the end of life with faith, courage, and grace. This class will look at some of the challenges of the last years, including having a serious illness, being a caregiver, preparing financially and legally for the long haul, finding end-of-life resources, and bereavement following the death of a loved one. Experts from the community will speak on some of these topics, but the heart of the class will be personal sharing by several church members who have traveled this road as persons with illness or as caregivers. We will invite discussion about the spiritual challenges and growth that come out of this journey. This class will be facilitated by Howard Hovde, Walter Workman, and Barbara Noblin in FLC room 500.

**The Reformation in Ten Not-So-Easy Steps.** We are who we are as Presbyterians largely because of a complicated, violent, and creative period in the 16th Century history of Europe. During this period, western society was more or less unified by the Pope's symbolic leadership and by possession of a common Latin culture; deep disagreements about how human beings should exercise the power of God in the world tore this unity apart. Out of this political, economic, and religious (ecclesial) chaos there emerged different ways of being the church; changes in worship, governance, role in society dramatically marked a new Europe, and by extension shaped much of North America. This course will survey the main lines of Reformation history and culture of which we are the heirs. This class will be taught by Fane Downs in room 207.

**The Gospel of John: Gateway to the New Testament.** This class will be in the lecture/discussion format. Each lesson will stand on its own, and you cannot get behind by missing a Sunday. There are no prerequisites, and the only book will be your own Bible. Please call the church office at 257-3310 if you are interested in becoming a part of this new class. This class will go from January 8 - March 18 and will be taught by Tom Huser in room 206.



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## Let Us Pray...

...for Jack and Waldean Groff upon the death of their grandson.

...for Glen Noblin and family upon the death of his mother.

...for our troops including Julianne Douglas, David Benham, and Thomas Lucher.



# Welcome to Worship



We are grateful that you have chosen to worship with us this Sunday. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join our church family. After worship, elders present will gather near the baptismal font to meet with those who have an interest in uniting with us. Welcome brochures are in the pews and on the table in the narthex, where you will also find a walking-tour guide describing the art of this church.

## FPC Community Briefs

January 8 - 15

Come hear Martha J. Davis from the Ambulatory Care Center speak on *Sensitivity to Driving Safety* at the **men's breakfast** on Wednesday, January 11 at 7:00. Call Arthur Clough at 896-8826 to RSVP.

The **Beth Moore Bible Study of James - Mercy Triumphs** will meet from Tuesday, January 10 - March 6 at 10:00 a.m. in room 208. The cost of the workbook is \$15.00. To preregister for this class, please call the church at 257-3310. You can also register on the first day of class. This study will be done as a tribute to our sister in Christ, Puddin' Lohmeyer, who lived her life by serving Him through serving many. Come and discover the same joy that Puddin' found in meeting God on the pages of scripture.

**PW Circles** are scheduled to meet January 12, 9:30 a.m. at the following locations.

Circle	Hostess	Location
1	Sheftall	302 Lakewood Dr
2	Moore	room 206
3	Thurmond	206 Spring Mill Dr
4	Korman	280 Bluebird Circle
5	Pickett	MSS
6	Gourney	Ryan
7	Doan/Garlitz	Library
8	Evening Circle	Ryan Hall, 7:00 pm

Please, if you are not already enjoying the fellowship of being in a circle, call Salli Grissom 896-2119.

If you would like to place **flowers in the sanctuary** for Sunday services, sign up in the narthex or call the church office.

If you requested **offering envelopes** they can be picked up outside the church office in the lobby.

### Sunday, January 8

- 8:30/11:00 Worship
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 New Officers Ordination and Installation
- 3:30 Jr. Highs, FLC
- 6:30 Sr. Highs

### Monday, January 9

- 10:00 Currie Series Mtg., 204
- 4:00 New Member, MSS
- 4:30 CCP Committee, 500
- 4:45 Planning & Training, Library
- 5:00 Property, 207
- 5:15 CE, 206

### Tuesday, January 10

- 6:45 Riverhill Bible Study
- 9:15 Staff
- 10:00 Beth Moore Study, 208
- 6:00 Stephen Minsters, Ryan

### Wednesday, January 11

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast
- 9:45 CCP Chapel
- 10:00 Bible study - Matthew
- 3:15 Koinonias
- 4:00 Personnel, library
- 5:45 Worship Comm, 208
- 7:00 Choir

### Thursday, January 12

- 9:30 PW Circles
- 7:00 PW Night Circles, Ryan

### Friday, January 13

### Saturday, January 14

- 11:00 HOPES Kitchen

### Sunday, January 15

- 8:30/11:00 Worship
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 3:30 Jr. Highs, FLC
- 6:30 Sr. Highs



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