



Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2025 10:30 a.m.

Welcome!

- *We invite children to use our activity area in the sanctuary. If your child needs a break away from the Sanctuary, feel free to use Room 3 of the Education Wing.*
 - *Assistive listening devices are available at the sound booth (rear of sanctuary).*
 - *Greeting you today are Vonny Getz, Ann & Roger Hummel, and Sandy McBride.*

The chancel flowers are given by Bobbie Kitzmiller in loving memory of her husband, Clarence Kitzmiller, and his sons, Benjamin, Richard, and Robert.

Worship begins with the first note of the prelude – may we silence our voices and open our hearts, allowing the music to draw us together into the presence of God.

Prelude

When Morning Gilds the Skies
The Handbell Choir

arr. Lloyd Larson

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Deacon Lisa Love

L: Holy Triune God, author of community, come baptize us. Remind us what it means to belong to one another.

P: **God who tears open the heavens, come baptize us.**

L: Reveal to us your power that ushers in new realms.

P: **God who calls us beloved, come baptize us.**

L: Declare to us your great delight and hold us in your pleasure.

P: **God of vulnerability, come baptize us.**

L: Welcome us into the paradox of strength that comes from weakness. Together, let us remember this day.

P: **In the Creator's love we are held, into Christ's body we are baptized, and by the Spirit's power, we are claimed.**

All: **All glory to God! Amen.**

*Hymn 634

To God Be the Glory

*Call to Confession

Ever ready with cleansing love, God invites our confession, offering mercy and strength so that we may start anew. Let us pray.

**Those who are able are asked to please stand.*

*Prayer of Confession

In the waters of baptism, O God, you have cleansed us and claimed us. Forgive us for refusing your grace and rejecting 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 again, that with clean hearts we may go in the way of Jesus. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

L: The love of God flows ceaselessly. The mercy of God never ends. This is good news!

P: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

*Gloria (Hymn 583)

*Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, in ex-cel-sis De-o!
Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, al-le-lu-ia, a-le-lu-ia!*

First Scripture Reading (NT, p.167)

1 Corinthians 2:11-16

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

As With Gladness, Men of Old
The Chancel Choir

Conrad Kocher

Second Scripture Reading (NT, p.60)

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

The Rev. Nancy Conklin

Renewal of Our Baptismal Vows

Sentences of Scripture

Hear these words from Holy Scripture: Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

Profession of Faith

L: Sisters and brothers in Christ, our baptism is the sign and seal of our cleansing from sin, and of our being grafted into Christ. Through the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Christ, the power of sin was broken

and God's kingdom entered our world. Through our baptism, we were made citizens of God's kingdom, and freed from the bondage of sin. Let us celebrate that freedom and redemption through the renewal of the promises made at our baptism. I ask you, therefore, to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, and to confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we were baptized. Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior?

P: I do.

L: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love, to your life's end?

P: I will, with God's help.

L: With the whole church, let us confess our faith. Do you believe in God the Father?

P: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

P: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

P: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

O Lord our God, we give you thanks for the faith, hope, and love you give to us through the blessing of our baptism — claiming us as your beloved children, calling us to the path of discipleship, revealing to us the light of your glory. By the power of your Holy Spirit, poured out upon us in baptism, help us to follow you with faith, to trust in you with hope, and to serve you with love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Charge

Let us remember our baptism and be thankful.

*Hymn 482

Baptized in Water

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

New Born Again
The Handbell Choir

Kevin McChesney

*Epiphany Doxology (Tune: "Old Hundredth")

*O God, may we who bear your name,
By gentle love your grace proclaim.
Christ's gift of peace on earth declare,
And your anointing Spirit share. A-men.*

*Prayer of Dedication

We praise and thank you, Lord God, for the majesty of your work, the wisdom of your word, and the generosity of your grace. Let the gifts of our lives bear witness to your goodness and mercy, your faithfulness and justice, and your steadfast love for all. Amen.

Prayers of the People/The 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn 192

Shine, Jesus, Shine

*Benediction

Postlude

Be Thou My Vision

Melody Bober

CHPC WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, January 13

- 10 a.m. — Staff Meeting, Pastor's Study
- 1 p.m. — Quilters & Crafters for Mission; Q&C Room
- 5 p.m. — Staff Commission Meeting; Blue Room

Tuesday, January 14

- 10:30 a.m. — Visitation/Funeral/Luncheon for Carol Martz; Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall
- 6 p.m. — A.A. Big Book Study; Fellowship Hall
- 7 p.m. — Mission Outreach Team Meeting; Blue Room

Wednesday, January 15

- 10 a.m. — Prayer Fellowship; Fellowship Hall (window side)
- Noon — Preschool Staff Meeting; Fellowship Hall (window side)
- 6 p.m. — Handbell Choir Rehearsal; Music Room
- 6:30 p.m. — Communications Commission Meeting; Blue Room
- 7 p.m. — Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

Thursday, January 16

- 11 a.m. — Worship & Fine Arts Ministry Meeting; Pastor's Study
- 7 p.m. — Membership Team Meeting; Blue Room

Friday, January 17

Preschool Closed

Sunday, January 19

- 8:30 a.m. — ARISE Service; Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. — Exegesis Adult Sunday School Class; Blue Room
- 9 a.m. — Men's Bible Study; Green Room
- 9:45 a.m. — Choir Practice; Music Room
- 10:30 a.m. — Worship Service; Sanctuary
- 11:45 a.m. — Brass Choir Rehearsal; Sanctuary

IT'S HAPPENING AT CHPC

- Please note that **the office door on North 23rd Street is currently inaccessible** and can only be opened from the inside until we are able to determine the cost and funding needed to replace the locking system. If you use a fob to get into the building, please enter at the Gathering Place. If you need to visit the office or Pastor Nancy and don't have a fob, please call ahead to set up a time so that someone can be available to open the door manually for you. Thank you.
- **Through mid-February, we will be collecting over-the-counter medicines and most-needed items for the Christ Lutheran Church Free Medical Clinic** in Harrisburg's Allison Hill neighborhood. Donations can be placed in the box in the Gathering Place. Or, checks can be made to CHPC with "OTC Medicine Drive" in the memo line. Please contact Sandy Bogden or the office with any questions.
- CHPC members and friends are invited to participate in **Thriving Together's "Shalom Summit: Disciples Pursuing Racially Just Neighborhoods" on Saturday, Feb. 22, at Harrisburg First Church of the Brethren**. The one-day event will provide an incredible opportunity for spiritual growth, connection, and practical training as we work together to live into the call of racial justice. Registration is just \$10 per person (including meals), but space is limited to 200 participants, so register quickly if you are interested. More info and the registration form can be found at www.thejourneyharrisburg.org/shalom-summit.
- While our Noonday Organ Recitals and MAD Series are on hiatus, **we welcome your suggestions for musicians and artists who may be featured in our lovely sanctuary**. Please contact Abby Tierney with any suggestions you would like to share.
- **The Harrisburg Food Pantry is in need of personal care items, including toilet paper, bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste, and deodorant**. HFP is able to obtain food for the pantry with funding, but can't use those dollars for toiletries. Please leave these items in the Donation Station area of the Gathering Place.
- **Quilters and Crafters for Mission meet every Monday from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Quilters and Crafters Room** off Fellowship Hall. Work is done on a variety of projects such as quilting, knitting, crocheting, and crafting. New members to the group are always welcome.

STATEMENT OF WELCOME & INCLUSION

As followers of Jesus, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person as created in the image of God. We are committed to creating an inclusive space of belonging and safety. Therefore, this community of faith welcomes into full participation, membership, and leadership persons of diverse age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, level of education, class, and income.

Rooted in the Reformed tradition, we affirm that “God alone is Lord of the conscience,” allowing for a breadth of diverse theological and biblical interpretations. We covenant to accept, respect, and love one another as we apply our faith in the circumstances of our lives and in the matters of our world.

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