
First Sunday after the Epiphany

January 8, 2022

10:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

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WELCOME

SILENT CENTERING PRAYER

O God, we give you thanks and praise for the new thing you have done in Jesus Christ our Savior. Baptized by John in the Jordan, you anointed him with your Holy Spirit and claimed him as your beloved Son. Continue to pour out your Spirit upon us. Empower us to love and serve you and live as your faithful people, bearing witness to the good news of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 29) **Rev. Dr. Carson Mouser, Liturgist**

One: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,

All: ascribe to the LORD glory and strength

One: Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name;

All: worship the LORD in holy splendor

One: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;

All: the LORD sits enthroned as a king forever.

One: May the LORD give strength to his people!

All: May the LORD bless his people with peace!

*HYMN #288 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

MUSICAL OFFERING

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 3:13-17 **Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret**
red Bible pg. 1172, black Bible pg. 3

This ends our reading of God's word this day.

Thanks be to God

SERMON: "Paradoxical Power" **Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret**

WE OFFER OUR LIVES TO GOD

*HYMN #72 "When Jesus Came to Jordan"

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY: Choir

*DOXOLOGY (tune is Old Hundredth) *HYMN #592

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

O Lord, we give you thanks with all we are for all you have done for us. In your divinity you have come to dwell with us in the muddy waters of humanity, and comingled your glory with our sin so that the ribbon of corrupting time is becoming a sparkling River of Life flowing through our days. Take all we are, Lord, and use it for your purpose. Bless the gifts we give this day that the church might stand as shining witnesses to your glory, planted by your living water to bring healing

to all peoples. Use us as you will to the praise of Christ Jesus, we pray. Amen

*HYMN BENEDICTION #326 "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

POSTLUDE

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*For those who are able, please stand.

- **Today's Usher:** Mark Chamberlin
- **Coffee Hour** today is hosted by Barb Winegard
- **Worship & Music:** Mon., Jan. 9, 10 a.m. in the Media Center
- **Bible Study:** Mon., Jan. 9 at 11 a.m. in the Media Center.
- **Book Club:** Tues., Jan 10 at 10 a.m. in the Media Center.
- **Session:** Tues., Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Media Center.
- **Parkinson's Support:** Weds., Jan. 11 at 2 p.m. in the Media Center.
- **Deacons:** Tues., Jan. 17 at 7 p.m. in the Media Center.

Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

The family of Ellie Lyness, a long-time beloved member of our church,
upon her death in October;
Barry Bullis; Nancy Dobbins; Mimi Dundon; Freida Mason

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**First Presbyterian Church
Baldwinsville, NY**

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Identity Statement

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

If we claim we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sin, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sin and cleanse us of all unrighteousness. Trusting in the steadfast love of God in Christ Jesus the Lord. Pray with me

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION (UNISON)

Sovereign God, in baptism you called us to turn from sin and to turn to Jesus Christ; but we stray from his ways and do not heed your call. You sent us to serve with compassion all for whom Christ died; but we ignore the suffering of the oppressed and the plight of the poor. In baptism you gave us the Holy Spirit to teach and guide us but we spurn your eternal wisdom. Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive our sinful ways and heal our brokenness. Set us free from all that enslaves us, and raise us to new life in Jesus Christ, that we may be your faithful servants, showing forth your healing love to the world, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

Holy One, restore us. Let your face shine on us, that our hearts may be illumined by your grace.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ lives in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is of the New Creation. The old life is finished, gone. Behold, new life has begun. Brothers and Sisters, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Gloria Patri #579

WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 42: 1-9

Rev. Dr. Carson O. Mouser, Liturgist
red Bible pg. 883 black Bible pg. 670

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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