



Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Baptism of the Lord

January 13, 2013

*Let all who enter enjoy the fellowship of friends until the bells call us to worship.
Let us then, in oneness of spirit, turn our reverent attention to the worship of God.*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

God of cleansing waters and purifying fires, touch our lives today to recall us to the power of our baptism and reconfirm our commitment to Jesus Christ. Name us again as your own people; precious, gifted, created to glorify you in fullness of life, in peace with ourselves and one another. Send your Holy Spirit once more to energize our worship and enliven our witness in the world. Hear us as we pray for one another and for your church in every place. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

On a theme of Orlando Gibbons

C. V. Stanford

BRINGING THE LIGHT

CALL TO WORSHIP

The voice of God resounds upon the water.

The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream.

The Son of God is named, "Beloved."

And all who worship shout out, "Glory!"

Ascribe to the Lord majesty and strength.

Let us worship God in holy splendor.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**We are precious in your sight,
yet we often forget that we are your beloved.
We confess that our love is fickle and inconstant.
We follow selfish goals
and deny that our way of life harms others and
hurts your world.
We are sorry and we want to change.
Create in us a clean heart,
strengthen our resolve,
reconcile us one to another,
and bless us with your peace. Amen.**

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*SONG OF RESPONSE *Baptized in Water* 492, v. 1

*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 43:1-7
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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Luke 3:15-17, 21-22
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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ANTHEM

The Light of the World Is Jesus

MESSAGE

Filled with Expectation

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

I Will Come to You

Glory to God, 7

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

STATEMENT ON INSTALLATION

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

RENUNCIATIONS

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER OF ORDINATION

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

WELCOME

CHARGE TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 16

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam*
Christ our Lord to the Jordan came

J. S. Bach

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*
DEDICATION PRAYER

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FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG *God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian*
Sung to NETTLETON (Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing)
verse 2: sing elders

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION *We Know that in Your True Providing*

*POSTLUDE

Allegro maestoso e Fuga

Felix Mendelssohn

*Those who are able may stand.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

Lectionary Readings for January 20: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11.

The Urban Mission item of the month for January is **canned meat**. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

Contribution statements are available to pick up in the narthex after worship.

The United Church of Norman, UCC, presents *The Progressive Sermon I Always Wanted to Preach . . .* featuring **Dr. Barbara Boyd**. Starting at 7:00 P.M. Thursday, January 17, at United Ministry Center, 1017 Elm Ave., this lecture is free and open to the public.

SUNDAY

January 13

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
10:55 A.M. – Worship Service – Baptism of Christ
Ordination & Installation of Elders & Deacons

TUESDAY

January 15

7:00 P.M. – Session meeting
7:00 P.M. – Chancel Choir

WEDNESDAY

January 16

3:30 P.M. – Kid's Club
5:00 P.M. – Children's Hand-Chime Choir
5:30 P.M. – Children's Choir

SUNDAY

January 20

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
12:00 P.M. – Deacons meeting
5:30 P.M. – Stewardship Committee