Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Baptism of the Lord

January 8, 2017

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Creator God, our soul's delight,
your voice thunders over the waters,
liberating the future from the past.
In the Spirit's power and the waters of rebirth,
Jesus was declared your blessed and beloved Son;
may we recall our baptism,
and be disciples of the Anointed One. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Prelude on "Dix" Leon Smith

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to the Lord a new song;

sing to the Lord, all the earth.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters,

and in the temple God's people say: Glory!

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE God is Here! 409

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Mighty and merciful God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling. We have been timid and frightened disciples, forgetful of your powerful presence and the strength of your Spirit among us. O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. As you have chosen us and claimed us in our baptism, strengthen us anew to choose Christ's way in this world. Give us your Holy Spirit that each one in ministry may be provided with all the gifts of grace needed to fulfill our common calling;

through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

(Time of silent reflection)

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

*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.

*SONG OF RESPONSE

Glory Be to the Father

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 42:1-9 Page No. 584

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM The Light of the World is Jesus

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 3:13-17 Page No. 784

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE You Are All My Beloved Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud 11

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer Hymnal, p. 35

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION— Ordination and Installation of Nicholas Lindley (Ruling Elder), Eileen Burke, Grace Tamakong, Bre Upton (Deacon) and Installation of Trudy Beard (Ruling Elder) Charlotte Lovett (Ruling Elder) Sentences of Scripture

There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

- *REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT
- *RENUNCIATIONS

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

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Waters of Baptism

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

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^{*}PROFESSION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Take My Life 697

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE How Lovely Shines the Morning Star Paul Manz

*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 15: Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalms 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42.

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

Hearing-assistance devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the ushers.

Ushers for today's service are Ann Fayles and Linda Eckel.

Mark your calendars for a one night only event! The Fellowship & Hospitality Committee is proud to present the MPC Showcase! This entertainment packed showcase will be on Saturday, February 11th from 7:00 pm- 9:00 pm, doors to open at 6:50 pm and the performances will begin at 7:30.

SUNDAY January 8

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. – Worship Service with Ordination and Installation of Officers

WEDNESDAY

January 11

3:15 P.M. - Kids' Club

4:00 P.M. - Children's Choir

6:30 P.M. - Chancel Choir

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