

## THE PEOPLE GATHER

### **GATHERING MUSIC & THE RINGING OF THE BELL**

#### **WELCOME**

Jim Franklin, Greeting Elder

*Please Stand And Greet Your Neighbors!*

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

##### \* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

*One:* Arise, shine; for our light has come!

*Many:* We have chased the star across the sky.

We have journeyed far to worship a wrinkled, crying child.

*One:* The glory of God has risen upon us!

*Many:* We have opened our treasures before the babe:  
our wealth, our hopes, our very lives.

*One:* The one in whom our souls delight!

*Many:* A bruised reed he will not break,  
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench.

*All:* Joy to the world, He is the Beloved;  
we will not grow faint or be crushed  
until he has established justice in the earth.

##### \* **PRAYER OF INVOCATION FOR THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT**

\* **SACRED MUSIC** #475 “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” NPH

\* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

God of life and light and love, we confess that our own lives are too dear to us. By comparison we do not want for others as much as we want for ourselves. We want justice and power for our party or nation, but not for all parties and nations. We have some concern for our own enlightenment but not for the enlightenment of all people everywhere. Sometimes we need to have patience with ourselves: more often, patience with others. Forgive the narrowness of our vision and of our commitment to others and to you, Creator of Life, Light of our eyes, Universal Spirit of Justice. Amen.

\* **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

\* **PROFESSION OF FAITH** (Unison) **Apostles' Creed**  
(Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

\* **GLORIA PATRI** (Unison) #581 NPH

\* **THE PEACE** (Response: “And also with you.”)

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Isaiah 42:1-7

Pg. 670 OT

Matthew 3:13-17

Pg. 3 NT

### **TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART**

*(Children Leave For Church School Afterwards.)*

### **SERMON**

“A Lot Unorthodox”

Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro

### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

\* **SACRED MUSIC** #490 “Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters” NPH

### **RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP**

*(Wave to your neighbors, and those joining via the live-stream.)*

### **OFFERING**

*(Offerings may be placed in the collection basket at the top of the stairs  
as you exit the sanctuary following the worship.)*

### **SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS**

### **PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD'S PRAYER**

*(Debts & Debtors; Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)*

\* **DOXOLOGY** (Unison, Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)

\* **SACRED MUSIC** #482 “Baptized in Water” NPH

\* **CHARGE & BENECTION**

*\* Congregation standing; as each person desires.*

*Masks are welcome but not required, distance as you are comfortable.*

*Following the worship service everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall  
for conversation and a light repast.*



## PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer Vicki McLain on the death of her father Scott, Nick Scelzi who died last week, Paula Eschmann, Toby Walch, Bev and Jerry Findley, Bob Fraser, Wanda Renick, Mark and Nancy Brown, Carolyn O'Connor, Bill and Karen Parker, Lew Shepard, Marilyn Coir, Christa Lyon, Vern and Arvilla Aldous, Rich Denison, Joe and Mary Bean, Colleen Grant, Janet Favro, and all who are ill in hospitals, nursing homes or at home; those serving our nation and their families who support them; parents raising children and children caring for parents.

Church School Director: Andrea Montgomery  
Congregational Coordinator: Linda Potter  
Office Coordinator: Christy Dekay

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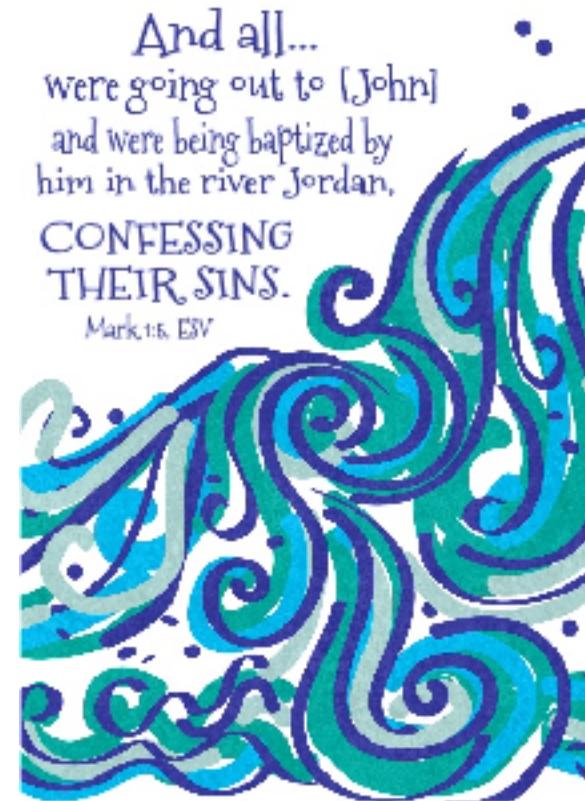
### AT OUR CHURCH THIS WEEK

- Sunday 1/11/26 - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)  
- Deacons Meeting (11 a.m. Conference Room)
- Wednesday 1/14/25 - Women's Circle (7 p.m. Lorna's Lounge)
- Thursday 1/15/26 - Newsletter Deadline  
- Annual Report Deadline  
- Choir Members Meet (6:30 p.m. Choir Room)
- Sunday 1/18/26 - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)  
- Name Tag Sunday  
- Noisy Can Offering  
- Manse Committee Meeting (11 a.m. CR)

**Birthdays:** Joanne McQuade (Monday); Kimberly Dildine, Lauren Smith (Tuesday); Rance Bell (Thursday); Nathan Gibson (Saturday)

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## **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick & the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessing flow.  
Praise Him (God) all creatures here below.  
Praise Him (God) above ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father (Creator), Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **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 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.