

# St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Baptism of the Lord Sunday  
Rev. Rosemary McMahan  
Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

January 12, 2020  
Elder Nellie Gates, Liturgist  
Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude "Glory to His Name" Dr. Jeff Gilbreath

## We Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

Pastor's Welcome (Please sign the friendship roster.)

Call to Worship

One: One: All who thirst, come to the water.

**All: Drink deeply of these living streams.**

One: Come, all who are weary.

**All: Come, all who yearn for forgiveness.**

One: Our gracious God beckons and blesses us.

**All: Let us give praise for new life in Christ.**

Prayer of Adoration

\*Hymn of Worship "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry" #96  
*Please pass your prayer cards to the aisle for pickup.*

Call to Confession

**Prayer of Confession: Loving God, in baptism you grafted us into the Body of Christ, promising us forgiveness of sin and newness of life. But we fail to live as forgiven people, full of joy. Instead, we keep destructive habits and hold grudges. We allow our past to hold us hostage and are reluctant to trust in your grace. In your loving-kindness, have mercy on us and free us from sin and from ourselves. Remind us of the promises you have made to us in baptism so that we may live as your people, claimed in the waters of promise. Amen.** (We make our silent confession.)

Hymn "Lord, Have Mercy" #551

Declaration of Forgiveness: 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.

**All: Thanks be to God! Amen!**

Sharing the Peace of Christ

\*Gloria Patri #581

Anthem "Lord of the Morning" Choir

## We Listen for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading I Samuel 3:1-10 Elder Gates

Scripture Reading Mark 1:4-11 Rev. McMahan

Message "So What Happens Next?" Rev. McMahan

\*Hymn of Reflection "Sing to God Made Manifest" #156

Renewal of Our Baptismal Vows

Do you renounce the ways of sin that separate you from the love of God?

**Accepting God's love, I renounce all that makes me less than a child of God.**

Do you renounce all powers in the world that defy God's Way of Life for all?

**In the name of Christ Jesus, I renounce all evil.**

Will you resist the forces of sin that hold the world in captivity?

**With the power of the Holy Spirit, I will resist them.**

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, Savior of the world?

**I believe Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior.**

Will you follow the Spirit of the living Lord and live in accordance with God's Way?

**By God's grace, I will walk in the Spirit's Way.**

Ordination and Installation of Elders Sue Mitchell and Greg Vogel

Recognition of new member, Lisa Dobbs

Offertory "I'd Rather Have Jesus" Dr. Gilbreath

\*Doxology #606

\*Prayer

## We Go Forth to Minister

\*Hymn of Sending "In Christ Called to Baptize" Vs. 1, 3, 4 #297

\*Blessing and Sending Rev. McMahan

Benediction "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" Choir  
(Please remain standing until choir completes hymn.)

Postlude "Victory in Jesus" Dr. Jeff Gilbreath

\*All that are able are invited to stand.

**Bold italic type indicates our shared response.**

**To Our Visitors & Guests:**

Welcome! It is a blessing to have you in worship with us today. We warmly invite your participation in the worship, fellowship, and ministry of this congregation where everyone is welcome as God's child. The pastor is available to answer any questions you might have after worship or by email or phone. There is a place for you here, and we are delighted to have you with us today.

*Please be in prayer for these spiritual leaders of St. Andrew as a new season of service begins: Philip Gilbert, Clerk of Session; BJ Breeding, Nellie Gates; Sue Mitchell; Barb Mouton; Bob Naumann; Greg Vogel; Dan Watt; Ed Wyle, and Pastor Tripp. Give thanks for the service of outgoing elders Ceil Hydrick and Turner Matthews.*



***“Growing in Faith; Sharing the Good News;  
Living in God’s Love.”***

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**Scripture Reading Elder Gates: I Samuel 3:1-10**

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

**Scripture Reading Rev. McMahan: Mark 1:4-11**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."