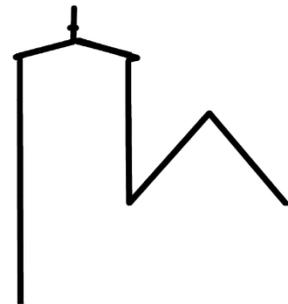


WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1420 West Moss Avenue
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THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

14 January 2018

Ten O'clock

THE PREPARATION

Dietrich Buxtehude

Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Denise Clark-Jones

One: *From the waters of Creation, the earth sprang forth.*

All: **From the waters of a womb, God's blessed Son was given to us.**

One: *From the waters of a river, people were baptized and marked as God's Children*

All: **Praise be to God, whose loving gifts and presence have called us together.**

*HYMN 495

We Know That Christ Is Raised

Engleberg

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Peggy Bragg, liturgist

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(praying together)*

Merciful God, in baptism You promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In Your loving-kindness have mercy on us and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises You make in baptism so that we may rise to new life and live together in grace.

*TIME OF SILENCE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION

*KYRIE

John Weaver

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us; Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us; Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**indicates all who are able may stand.*

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***GLORIA PATRI**

John Weaver

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the
Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it: as it was in the be -
gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er.
A - men. A - - - men. A - men.

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament: Genesis 1:1-5

p. 1 NRSV

The Psalter (Hymnal 180)

Psalm 29

Glory

Epistle: Acts 19:1-7

p. 139 NRSV

Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

p. 34 NRSV

SERMON

Rev. Denise Clark-Jones

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN 523**

God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian

Bethany

SERVICE OF THE CALL TO MINISTRY OF CHURCH OFFICERS

One: *There are different gifts.*

All: **But it is the same Spirit who gives them.**

One: *There are different ways of serving God.*

All: **But it is the same Lord who is served.**

One: *God works through different persons in different ways.*

All: **But it is the same God whose purpose is achieved through them all.**

One: *Each one is given a gift by the Spirit*

All: **to use for the common good.**

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

STATEMENT OF INSTALLATION

PRESENTATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

PRAYER

God of grace, you call us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation: give us courage, love and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us, that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to all the world; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*PROFESSION OF FAITH *(Reading together)*

The Apostles' Creed

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

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.

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.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY

**The King of Love My Shepherd Is
The Westminster Choir**

Edward C. Bairstow

The King of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never, I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever. Where streams of living water flow My ransomed soul He leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth. Perverse and foolish oft I
strayed, But yet in love He sought me, And gently on His shoulder laid, And home, rejoicing,
brought me. In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and
staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me. Thou spread'st a table in my sight; Thy
unction grace bestoweth; And O what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing
Thy praise Within Thy house forever.

*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (*please be seated at the end of the prayer*)

PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS (In your mercy ... *Lord hear our prayer*)

THE LORD'S PRAYER [*praying together*]

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.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 494**

Rustington

Out of Deep, Unordered Water

***COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Belmont (William Gardiner)

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Denise M. Clark-Jones, *Pastor*

Peggy Bragg, *Liturgist*

The Choir of Westminster Church

Thomas Clark-Jones, *Organist-Choirmaster*

THOSE BEING INSTALLED AS OFFICERS THIS MORNING

Elders

Deacons

Larry Hicks

Suellen Kirkwood

Anna Bussian

Sue Burnham

Phyllis Rafferty

Marge Willadsen

OPEN HANDS, OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS