

Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2025 10:30am

GATHER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

Moment for Mission

2025 Session "Angels"

Reuben Chrestman

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 29:1, 9-11

Jennie and Sam Guidry

Worship the Lord!

We honor God's holy name.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

God's glory thunders above the watery chaos.

God's voice strips the forest bare;

and in the temple, the congregation shouts "Glory!"

The Lord's throne presides above the flood;

God, our King, is enthroned forever.

The Lord gives strength to the people.

May God bless us with peace.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

We Praise You, O God

No. 612

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

PROCLAIM

TIME WITH CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Gospel Reading Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

NRSVue

Reading from the Prophets

Isaiah 43:1-7

NRSVue

After each reading you are invited to respond: "Thanks be to God."

Hymn numbers correspond to the pages in the red or purple Glory to God hymn book in the pew rack in front of you.

^{*}You are invited to stand.

Please join in saying/singing aloud the responses **printed in bold.**

RESPOND

*REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Statement on Baptism

Hymn of Preparation

Baptized in Water

No. 482

Prayer of Confession

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 and separated from one another. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another. We allow the past to hold us captive.

In your loving-kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Fulfill the promises of our baptism, so that we may rise to new life and live together in grace. Amen.

Renunciations and Affirmations

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I renounce them.

Who is your Lord and Savior?

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

Profession of Faith

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 and 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.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Aspersion¹

Prayer

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

¹ Caution! Worshipers may get (slightly) wet! ("Aspersion" = sprinkling.)

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

During the time of offering, you are invited to make a financial contribution to LPC. You may do so by placing cash or a check (payable to "LPC") in the offering plate, or give by credit card by using the QR code to be directed to our online giving page. You are also encouraged to be in prayer about how you can use your time and talents to serve God and neighbor this week.



CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving, Prayers of Intercession, and 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 debts² 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.

Words of Institution

Communion³ of the People and Anointing⁴

Prayer After Communion

GO

*SENDING HYMN

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

No. 547

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Worship may be over, but our service has just begun.

We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us.

Lakeview Presbyterian Church brings God's word to life
in a welcoming atmosphere of worship, prayer, and fellowship,
while spreading the love of Jesus Christ
through Christian education and outreach, wherein all are welcome.

² When saying the Lord's Prayer, some prefer to use the words "forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us" or "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Please pray as you feel led.

³All worshipers present are invited (but not required/expected) to receive communion, regardless of church membership or status. Taken as a whole, the act of celebrating communion embodies the truth of God's unconditional grace and love. The communion elements (ordinary bread and juice—made holy by God's Spirit present in the prayerful setting of corporate worship) evoke both the past memory of Christ's sacrificial death on the cross to atone for sin, as well as the future promise of our redemption and victory over death when we are gathered to feast, worship, and celebrate in the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ Anointing is the ancient, biblical practice of spreading or rubbing oil on a person to set them apart for service, devotion, or healing. If you come forward for anointing today, you can expect to have a very small amount of an oil mixture (olive oil with 100% essential myrrh) to be rubbed on your forehead in the shape of a cross. The mixture is subtly fragrant.