

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church
and
College Chapel
SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Baptism of the Lord
January 12, 2020
11:00 a.m.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“Every happening, great and small, is a parable whereby God speaks to us, and the art of life is to get the message.”

Malcolm Muggeridge

The Gathering of the People

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE “Be Still” by Ashley Grote

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

Leader: A voice of power and mystery calls out to us,
inviting us to worship in spirit and in truth.

**People: We are amazed that God knows us and calls us.
By God’s breath and spirit, we receive life.**

Leader: Through the waters of baptism, God claims us.
In covenant with God, we extend light to the world.

**People: Eyes are opened and prisoners are freed.
Justice and peace are made real on earth.**

Leader: Worship with joy and give thanks to God;
Listen for the new thing God declares.

**People: Our ears and our eyes are open,
Our hearts and our minds are ready to receive!**

All: Let us worship God!

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE** HYMN #10

Sing Glory to the Name of God (LASST UNS ERFREUEN)

***THE CALL TO CONFESSION** Carolyn Cole

***THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISION)**

God of grace, we confess that we are not always as gracious as we aspire to be. God of justice, we acknowledge our complicity in the world’s unjust systems. God of light, we are aware of our inner shadows and are sorry when they fall on others. God of love, we repent of our desire to exclude others who are different from us. Baptize us again this day by your Spirit, that we might follow in the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray (silent prayer . . .)

***THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

One voice: This is the good news of the gospel, and it is for us all.

Many voices: By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are loved forever.

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

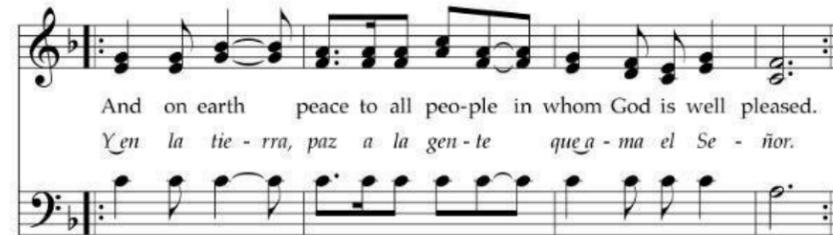
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

***THE GLORIA**



Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry be to God on high!
¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, en las al - tu - ras a Dios!



And on earth peace to all peo-ple in whom God is well pleased.
Y en la tie - rra, paz a la gen - te que a - ma el Se - ñor.

The Proclamation of the Word

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

All those children and youth who are present are invited to come forward at this time. Afterward, younger children may go to the nursery. Children's worship bags are available for children in the Narthex of the Church to use during the service.

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Carolyn Cole

A READING FROM THE PROPHETS

Isaiah 49:1-9

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Matthew 3:13-17

THE MESSAGE Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

A Question of Identity

The Response to the Word

***THE INSTALLATION HYMN** HYMN #432

(First 2 verses)

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord (REPTON)

A SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

Sharon Lytle
Ken Murchison
Tacci Smith

***THE INSTALLATION HYMN** HYMN #432

(Last 2 verses)

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord (REPTON)

***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Responsive)** Carolyn Cole

Leader: With the whole church

**All: We affirm that we are made in God’s image,
befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit.**

Leader: With God’s people everywhere

**All: We affirm God’s image at the heart of humanity,
planted more deeply than all that is wrong.**

Leader: With all creation

**All: We celebrate the miracle and wonder of life;
The unfolding purposes of the Creator,
forever at work in ourselves and in the world.**

THE PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Grace Boyer

THE GIFTS OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Christ Is the World’s True Light” by W. K. Stanton

*Christ is the world’s true light, its captain of salvation;
The Day Star clear and bright of ev’ry one and nation.
New life, new hope awakes where e’er we own his sway;
Freedom her bondage breaks, and night is turned to day.*

*In Christ all races meet, the ancient feuds forgetting,
The whole round world complete, from sunrise to its setting.
When Christ is throned as Lord, we shall forsake our fear;
To ploughshare beat the sword, to pruning hook the spear.*

*One Lord, in one great Name unite us all who own thee;
Cast out our pride and shame, that hinder to enthrone thee.
The world has waited long, has travailed long in pain;
To heal its ancient wrong, Come Prince of Peace to reign.*

***THE DOXOLOGY** (Sung to the tune PUER NOBIS NASCITUR)

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.*

***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

The Sending

*THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT

Down Galilee's Slow Roadways (WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN)

*Down Galilee's slow roadways a stranger traveled on
from Nazareth to Jordan to be baptized by John.
He went down to the waters like soldier, scribe, and slave,
But there within the river the sign was birth and grave.*

*A rising from the river he saw the heaven's torn;
It seemed the sky so open revealed the Spirit's form.
The holy dove descended amid a glorious voice:
"You are my own beloved, my child, my heart, my choice."*

*We too have found a roadway; it led us to this place.
We all have had to travel in search of hope and grace.
But now beside this water again a voice is heard.
"You are my own, my chosen, beloved of your Lord."*

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE "Salzburg" by Philip Moore

*Please stand as you are able

CHAPEL STAFF

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt, Minister
Rev. Grace Boyer, Associate in Ministry
Joel P. Rogers, Music Director, Organist
Donna Eagle Joslin, Church Administrator
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Liturgist: **Carolyn Cole**

Ushers: **Natalie & Cadence Cowal, Derron Daugherty**

Coffee Hour Host: **The Daugherty & Cowal Families**

Elder of the Week: **Susan Daugherty**

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The Announcements

WELCOME VISITORS! We are pleased to have you with us this morning. We invite you to join us for a cup of coffee after the service, and to stop by our Visitors Information Station in the Narthex of the Chapel. There you will find copies of recent newsletters and sermons, and a welcome packet that will tell you more about who we are, what we believe, and what we do. Thanks for joining us for worship today, and we hope to see you again soon!

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS: The family of Dr. Steven Williams on his death; Pat Crumpler; Ray Stock and Mary Moorrees.

NURSERY The nursery is available from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm in the Christian Education Wing beyond the Fellowship Hall.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS Jan 19-Feb 16 "What We Can Learn From..." Dr. Marc Mullinax, Professor of Religion at Mars Hill University, explores what we can learn about Christian faith by studying Shamanism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Daoism, and Islam.

CHILDREN/YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL Jan 12 Intergenerational class for all ages in the Fellowship Hall. Jan 19 we resume meeting in the youth room below the nursery. Music time 9:45-10:00 am. Lesson 10:00-10:45 am.

CONFIRMATION CLASS meets for pizza and movie in Fellowship Hall after worship today.

EPIPHANY STAR WORDS Pick your "Star Word" for 2020! These are words to explore in your spiritual journey for the year and see where they might lead you. In the narthex is a basket of stars. You can pick a star at random, rummage through until you find one you like, or take a blank star and write a word you want to focus on.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING There will be a congregational meeting in the Chapel following the service on January 26 for the purpose of voting on the Terms of Call for our pastor. The annual meeting of the Corporation will also be convened.

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At Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church, we are mothers and fathers, single and married, gay and straight, young and old, black and white, prosperous and poor, uncertain and sure, broken and whole — and everything in between. Together we are the many faces of humanity, yet as a joyful, caring and loving community of faith, we are one in Christ!