

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

First Sunday after the Epiphany

January 8, 2017

Baptism of the Lord

10:30 a.m.

* Stand if you are able

Bold: Said by all

Musical Prelude:

GATHERING

* Entry of the Word

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship (responsive):

(projected)

Our lives have purpose.

We are called to be like Christ and serve God.

God chooses us and loves us.

God calls us by name and we belong to God.

God will bring to completion the good work of grace started in us,

And we will find joy, peace, and restoration in God's loving plan.

ALL: Let us worship God, who claims us and loves us!

* Gathering Hymn: *"Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness"*

(N.B.P. #174)

Prayer of Adoration:

Rite of Reconciliation:

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life. We confess that we prefer our old lives; we let nostalgia prevent us from trusting the new things you provide, we cling to destructive habits, we nurture grudges, and we are reluctant to welcome or forgive one another. In your loving kindness, have mercy upon us and move among us so that we will live together with grace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Children's Hymn: *"Go Tell It on the Mountain"* (N.B.P. #133)

(The children will lead and the congregation will sing along.)

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MINISTER: Rev. Mikal Schomburg

ORGANIST: Mr. Ian Madge

Children's Story

(Grade 9 & under leave for Sunday School)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination (responsive):

One: Almighty God, in the beginning was the Word;

All: The Word was with God, and the Word was God.

One: Open our hearts and minds to receive your wisdom so that we hear, understand and then live your Word.

All: In the name of the Word made flesh, we pray, Amen.

Scriptures: (projected)

Isaiah 42:1-9

Matthew 3:13-17

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: ""

SERMON: "FULLY AND COMPLETELY"

Silent Reflection

OUR RESPONSE

* Hymn of Response: *"Lord, In This Broken World"* (N.B.P. #723)

* Declaration of Faith (unison)

Living Faith 7.6.1, 7.6.3 (projected)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings, Offertory

* Doxology (N.B.P. #79)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer: (projected)

SENDING

* Parting Hymn: *"One More Step Along the World I Go"* (N.B.P. #641)

* Benediction:

* Choral Amen:

* Exit of the Word Musical Postlude