



The Baptism of the Lord • January 12, 2020

The Worship of God

Preparing for Worship

Chiming of the Hour

***Call to Worship**

God's voice speaks to our chaos, echoing in our empty hearts.

gathering us together to remember our baptism.

God's voice stirs the waters of baptismal hope,

calling us to be bearers of peace to a world of broken hopes.

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***Hymn**

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

UMH 57

Greeting

We want to know that you were here worshipping with us today, especially if you are a first time visitor. Please fill in a Connect Card (found in your pew), and place it in the offering. After the service, please introduce yourself to your neighbors and join us for cookies and conversation.

Reading and Sharing the Word

***Gospel Lesson**

Matthew 3:13-17

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Celebration of Our Children

***Hymn**

Down by the Jordan

Insert

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Jessica Terrell

Responding to the Word

Call to Prayer

I've Just Come from the Fountain

Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father (Creator) 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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,

for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Musical Offering

Down in the River to Pray

Chancel Choir

***The Doxology**

UMH 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Congregational Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

Insert

Reaffirmation of Faith

*You are invited to come forward to remember your baptism by taking a stone from the bowl.
You may kneel in prayer at the rail and stay as long as you wish.*

Thanksgiving

Let us rejoice in the faithfulness of our covenant God.

We give thanks for all that God has already given us.

As members of the body of Christ

**and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church,
we will faithfully participate in the ministries of the Church**

**by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness
that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

The God of all grace,
who has called us to eternal glory in Christ,
establish and strengthen you
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
that you may live in grace and peace.

Departing to Love and Serve

Announcements

***Hymn**

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

UMH 605

***Benediction**

***Congregational Blessing**

***The Light Goes Forth**

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Altar Flowers are in memory of Richard Nanista, January 10, 1947 - March 31, 2004
by Candace McCollough and Elise Nanista

WORSHIP LEADERS AND SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Jessica Terrell

Assistant: Gracie Ellis

Liturgist: Camille Tanksley

Children's Time: Clayton Davis

Acolytes: Billy and Anna Kathryn Wallace

Ushers: Angela Russell, Cooper Russell, Richard Quartarone

Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Coffee, Cookies and Conversation: Megan Noble

Counters: Bill McKinnon and Angela Russell

We welcome to this place those who have no idea what they're doing here and those who have been here for years. We welcome you if you aren't too sure about this Jesus guy or if you use words like Christology and Eschatology. We welcome you if you blew all your money at the dog track or if you blew all your money on dog toys. We extend a special welcome to those who can't do math, can't spell, work too hard, don't work, or are only here because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church. Whatever the reason, we are glad that you are here.

Want more information about what's happening at St. Paul? We generally send out emails weekly. If you'd like to be on our email list, contact the church office at office@stpaulgrantpark.org or 404-688-7501.

In case of a pastoral emergency, such as a hospitalization or death, please call 229-234-0153 and leave a message.

Activities. Members, visitors, friends, all are invited to participate in the various ministries at St. Paul. If you need more information please call the church office 404-688-7501.

Every Sunday:

- 10am **Sunday School** (all ages)
- 11am **Morning Worship**
- 12-ish **Hospitality:** Coffee, Cookies and Conversation (Chester Commons, most Sundays)

Choir Practice Most Wednesdays at 7 pm and Sunday at 10:15 am. Contact

Youth Group in 2020 5-7pm most Sundays. Contact annie@stpaulgrantpark.org.

Nursery is available for infants and young toddlers on the 3rd floor of the education building prior to and during the worship service.