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BAPTISM

Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

8:30 AM

The Reverend Adam C. Bowling - Pastor

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WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

WELCOME

BELLS

The three tolls call us to worship and symbolize our belief in the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In quiet reverence, we prepare for worship.

PRELUDE

Come, Thou Almighty King

Felipe De Giardini, Arr. Faye Lopez

Justin Stretetz, Pianist

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

We are marked as God's beloved ones.

What have we done to deserve God's love?

God's love is God's free gift to us, always and forever.

Even when we are difficult and turn away from God,

God's love never vanishes from us.

Thanks be to God who is ever faithful to us!

+ OPENING HYMN

Take Me to the Water

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God of glory and majesty, you have called us by name. We pray in this moment for the courage and the strength to answer your call. As we open our ears to hear the story of your Son's baptism, open our hearts also, that we may experience again the renewing power of rebirth in the Holy Spirit. Inspire us in this time of worship, that we may claim our own identity as your beloved children. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Broken? God promises to make us whole. Lost? God promises to come and find us, gather us up, and bring us home. Confused about tomorrow? God promises our future is grounded in love. Let us confess that, though we have heard the promises over and over, we have trouble believing them, as we pray together saying. . .

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God who delivers and redeems, we have failed to live into the promise of new life offered at Baptism. We have been afraid to enter troubled waters to help the poor and downtrodden. We have been afraid to walk with those burned by the system of sin and oppression. We have sought ease and comfort in exchange for ignoring the hungry and sick in our world. Forgive us when we have seen our faith in such narrowness, thinking of only our own salvation. Forgive us when we have not lived for others, when we have not been willing to risk ourselves for the sake of others. Call us into new life, a life that is lived in the promise of your love for the whole world. Hear us now, as we continue to confess in the silence of our hearts. . .

(A Time of Silent Confession)

+ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This is the good news of the gospel, and it is for you and for all.

Whatever you have done, whatever you have failed to do,
whoever you are, whoever you wish you were but are not:

You are accepted, you are welcomed.

You are washed clean, you are raised up.

You are forgiven, you are set free.

In the love of Jesus Christ, you are loved forever.

**In the waters of baptism we are set free to let go of what is old and broken,
to live a new life in the resurrection,
and to follow together a joyful way,
after Jesus Christ, our loving Savior.**

Thanks be to God!

+ RESPONSE

Baptized in Water (verse 3)

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***Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our King;
born of the Spirit, we are God's children;
joyfully now God's praises we sing.***

+ PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of Christ's peace with those around you.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

As water splashed across our face awakens us in the morn, may your Word awaken us to your presence. Wash us in your wisdom, bathe us in your goodness, refresh us with your grace, by the power of your Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 NRSV

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

River in Judea
FUPCDC Chancel Choir

Arr. John Leavitt

SERMON

The Gift of Baptism

Rev. Adam C. Bowling

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

If you would like to speak with someone about becoming a Christian, about church membership, or about a special prayer need, please speak with Pastor Adam or someone at the Welcome Table in the back of the sanctuary. For those worshipping online, please email Pastor Adam at adam.bowling@fupcdc.org. Know that ALL are welcome in this place!

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

+ **PROFESSION OF FAITH** (*Apostles' Creed*)

With the whole church,
let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal and gracious God, we give you thanks...

...with you and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor,
now and forever.

Amen.

Instructions: During the hymn “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing,” for those who wish to do so, they are invited to come forward, by way of the center aisle, to the baptismal font. Dip your hand into the water, and place some on your own forehead as a reminder of your baptism. Remember that you are a beloved child of God. Please return to your seat by way of the outside aisle. Those worshipping at home are invited to go to a source of water in their own home and do the same thing.

+ **REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM AND SERVICE OF GIVING**

Remember your baptism and be thankful.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

+ **REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM HYMN**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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+ **DOXOLOGY**

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*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**

Through the power of your Spirit, bless these gifts that they might be used to the glory of your name.

Seal us in our baptismal waters to put them to faithful work that they might support the missions of our calling.

This we pray in your abundant name.

Amen.

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

+ **HYMN**

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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+ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Rev. Adam C. Bowling

+ **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Baptized in Water (verses 1 and 3)

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**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;
heirs of salvation, trusting the promise,
faithfully now God's praises we sing.**

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our King;
born of the Spirit, we are God's children;
joyfully now God's praises we sing.

+ **POSTLUDE**

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

TRADITIONAL SPIRITUAL, Arr. Mark Hayes

Justin Streletz, Pianist

+ *Please stand, in body or in spirit.*

Worship Notes

- * **WELCOME!** Whether you are new in the area, a resident of the community, or visiting, we are delighted you joined us in worship. Please come to the Welcome Table at the rear of the sanctuary after the service to fill out an info card and to receive a special gift. To find out more about this church, please call the Church Office at 703-670-7834 or speak with Pastor Adam, adam.bowling@fupcdc.org.
- * **BELL RINGER:** Ike Evans (8:30)
- * **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:** Wendy DiVico (8:30)
Ruth Washburg (11:00)
- * **FLOWERS** are given by Rita Clager, to God be the glory!

Connect with Us

- * **WE ARE ON FACEBOOK:** If you use Facebook, become a Facebook friend, and become a fan of First United Presbyterian. Make friends with others from the church.
- * **WE ARE ON INSTAGRAM:** Find us on Instagram @fupcdc.
- * **FUPCDC WEBSITE:** For detailed news and information, visit the church website at <https://fupcdc.org>.
- * **FUPCDC YOUTUBE CHANNEL:** To view worship services and videos, visit the FUPCDC Youtube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/c/FUPCDC>. You can also find our channel by searching for "FUPCDC Video".
- * **TEXT ALERTS:** Remind is a free text messaging service that will help our church communicate quickly and efficiently. On your cell phone, start a new message to **81010**. In the message, type @fupcdc and send. You can unsubscribe at any time.

Ministry in Action

- ✝ **WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE MEAL:** Please join us at 6:00 PM for Food, Fellowship, and Faith. On January 12th we will have **Tuscan Chicken**. Drinks and dessert will be provided and there is no charge, but donations will be taken to cover the cost of the food. Please contact Gaylene Guest at 703-398-7449 with any questions.
- ✝ **PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY:** There will be no Pastor's Bible Study on January 12th. We will meet on January 19th. Please join us as we study the gospel of Matthew on **Wednesdays at 7:00 PM** in **Room 22** or join us by Zoom.
- ✝ **FUPCDC'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY:** If you would like to help with the 50th celebration year, please come to a meeting on **January 11, 2022 at 10:00 AM**. If you have questions, please contact Cathy Albrecht at 703-670-8369.
- ✝ **BIBLE BUDDIES:** Our new Ladies (Bible Buddies) study will begin **Monday, January 17, 2022 at 7:00 PM**. We will meet in person in Room 22 at FUPCDC. Also, this study will be offered by zoom. Cathy Albrecht and Betty Matthews will lead this study. We will be using the book **Words of Life: Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today** by Adam Hamilton. Adam Hamilton brings readers a landmark work that considers the ten commandments in their historical context, unpacks how Jesus reinterpreted them, and shows how every thou-shalt-not was intended to point to a life-giving "thou shalt." Hamilton explores how Jews and Christians have understood the Ten Commandments over the millennia and how the latest research in science and psychology illuminates these commandments, rightly understood as a way of ordering one's life beautifully in the present day. For more information, please contact Betty Matthews through the FUPCDC office at 703-670-7834.
- ✝ **HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY:** Our study is about the five women mentioned in Matthew's genealogy of Jesus. In our next lesson, we will look at Ruth and Naomi and how their lives have changed. We meet the second Monday of the month at 9:30 AM; **January 10th is our next meeting, in-person and via Zoom**. Contact Sara Porter, saraporter@comcast.net or 703-670-8737 for more information.

Student Ministry News

- * **YOUTH ADVISORS (ADULT VOLUNTEERS):** We are looking for Youth Advisors (Adult Volunteers). Please contact Pastor Adam if you are interested in helping with Student Ministry.
- * **TEXT MESSAGES:** Sign up for Text Messages: Text @youthfupc to 81010.

SESSION

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Joys and Concerns

All those who are ill or facing difficulties, including:

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| ✝ | Jeremy Anderson | * Betty Little | * Sharon Patrick Dryden | * Jeannine Menzie |
| ✝ | Jeannette Gregory | * Marjorie Lawrence | * Lee and Giselle Watenpaugh | * Larry Menzie |
| ✝ | Douglas Godfrey Jr. | * Tanya | * Grace Ofosu-Addo | * Sandy Godfrey |
| ✝ | George Franchois | * Gary Albrecht | * Baby Louisa Wolstenholme | * Lynn Wilson |
| ✝ | Susan Bennett | * Keith Albrecht | * Savannah Simmerman | * Leigh Anderson |
| * | Curt Hoagland | * Ashleigh and Dan | * Sam Parris' Dad | * Linda Ford |
| * | Gretchen Snyder | * Sandra D'Imperio | * Bill and Laura Parris | * Marti Hall |
| * | David Behrens | * Mark and Angelica | * Jason, Adriana, Mikhail Corbir | * David Stokes |
| * | Melissa Behrens | * Scott Peterman | * Hunter and Annette Martin | * Norman Cox |
| * | Andrea Tootell | * Martha Manning | * Ann and Dineen Hoagland | * Nate Johnson |
| * | Baby Raphael | * Sam Draper | * Jennifer Wenzel Austin's Mother-In-Law | |
| * | Melissa Stewart | * Phillip Ford | * Theodore | * Amanda |
| * | Andy Stewart | * Teagan Quigley | * Connie Fee | * Jackson Judy |
| * | Jean Peterman | * Arianna Moy | | |

- ✝ Congregational love and sympathy are extended to Sam J. Parris and his family at the death of his father, Sam H. Parris, on December 27, 2021. Please lift the entire family up in prayer at this time.
- ✝ Congregational love and sympathy are extended to Donnette Tyrell at the death of her mother, Marge Campbell, on December 28th in Jamaica. Please lift the entire family up in prayer at this time.

All those serving abroad in our military, including from our church:

- ✝ Kelsey Gibson (Affiliate Member of FUPCDC)
- ✝ Elizabeth Batista, Lackland Air Force in Tech School (Ana Batista Caporaletti's daughter)

The churches of National Capital Presbytery, especially:

- ✝ Little Falls Presbyterian Church - Arlington, VA
- ✝ Manassas Presbyterian Church - Manassas, VA

Calendar

January 9 - 16, 2022

SUNDAY, January 9

Baptism of the Lord

- 8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
- 9:30 AM Children's Education
- 9:45 AM Confirmation Class (Youth)
- 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
- 1:00 PM Peace Church
- 1:15 PM Property Ministry Team

MONDAY, January 10

- 9:30 AM Horizons Bible Study
- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom
- 11:00 AM Bel Air Woman's Club
- 6:30 PM Girl Scout Service Unit 80-5
- 8:30 PM Production Meeting via Google Meet

TUESDAY, January 11

- 8:30 AM TOPS
- 10:00 AM 50th Anniversary Task Force
- 1:00 PM Al-Anon
- 5:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 289 Tigers
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 964
- 7:00 PM Evangelism & Outreach Ministry Team
- 7:00 PM Worship Ministry Team
- 7:30 PM AA 101
- 7:30 PM Bull Run Troubadours

WEDNESDAY, January 12

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom
- 6:00 PM Wednesday Night Alive Meal
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir
- 7:00 PM Peace Church Prayer Meeting
- 8:00 PM FUPCDC Praise Team

THURSDAY, January 13

- 3:00 PM Prayer and Praise Small Group
- 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 2279
- 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 80115
- 7:00 PM Mission Ministry Team
- 7:00 PM Stewardship and Finance Ministry Team
- 8:00 PM AA Support Group

FRIDAY, January 14

- 10:30 AM Holy Fitness via Zoom

SATURDAY, January 15

SUNDAY, January 16

- 8:30 AM Worship - Traditional
- 9:30 AM Children's Education
- 9:45 AM Confirmation Class (Youth)
- 11:00 AM Worship - Contemporary
- 1:00 PM Peace Church

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Attendance and Prayer Requests

Since we have temporarily suspended passing the friendship register, we request that those who attend worship in person sign in at one of the new attendance stations. If you are worshipping from home, or don't feel comfortable signing in at a station, you can register your attendance and prayer requests using the online form, which is located on our website at fupcdc.org/attend or by scanning this QR Code with your mobile device.



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Church Office Hours: 10 AM - 2:30 PM, weekdays, 703-670-7834

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Little Hands Preschool, 703-878-2366