



## TRUCKEE LUTHERAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### The Baptism of Our Lord – January 15, 2023

*Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.*

#### ♪ PREPARING FOR WORSHIP – “All Who Are Thirsty” “On Eagles Wings”

Jami Wiseman, Liturgical Dance

#### WELCOME

Rev. Jeanie Shaw

#### \* ♪ GATHERING SONG – “Come Thou Fount”

Congregation

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

The heavens open. The Spirit descends and Jesus emerges from the water.

A voice echoes through the blue expanse.

"This is my child, the Beloved, with whom I am well-pleased."

Jesus is named. Beloved.

**We come to the water. We remember we are named. Beloved. Let us worship God!**

#### \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION - *Invitation to Confession and silent reflection*

In Baptism we were raised with Christ in new life;

**But we fail to embrace the risen life of justice and love.**

In baptism we were united in the Body of Christ.

**But we refuse to live as one people, and fail to model your reconciling love before the world.**

In baptism you call us to be stewards of your creation.

**But we abuse the earth you entrust to our care, and live in discord with all you have made.**

In baptism you sent us to serve with compassion.

**But we ignore the suffering of the oppressed and the plight of the poor.**

Remember the promises you made to us in baptism, forgive our sin and heal our brokenness.

**Raise us to new life in Jesus Christ, that we may be your faithful servants, showing forth your healing love to the world. Amen.**

#### \* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,

Christ lives in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is of the New Creation.

The old life is finished and gone. Behold, new life has begun.

Brothers and Sisters, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **Amen.**

#### \* SHARING THE LORD'S PEACE

The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*All are invited to share the peace of Christ in a way that you feel most comfortable, saying “The peace of Christ be with you.”*

#### CHILDREN'S TIME

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

As water splashed across our face awakens us in the morn, may your Word awaken us to your presence.  
**Amen.**

### **FIRST READING                    1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

*Though God's church in Corinth is a fractious congregation beset with many conflicts, Paul opens this letter by spotlighting the multiple ways God has enriched and sustained its life as part of the divine call into the fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,  
To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind - just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you - so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

### **\* ♪ PREPARING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS – “Baptized in Water”**

Congregation

### **\* GOSPEL READING            Matthew 3:13-17**

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

The Gospel, the Good News of God!

**Thanks be to God!**

### **MEDITATION – “Beloved”**

Pastor Jeanie

### **♪ SONG IN RESPONSE - “I was There To Hear Your Boring Cry”**

Congregation

## **GATHERING OF GIFTS**

### **\* ♪ PRESENTATION OF GIFTS, SONG OF THANKS - “Give Thanks”**

Congregation

### **\* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Please conclude your prayer with “Lord, in your mercy”; and all will respond: “Hear our prayer.”*

### **\* LORD’S PRAYER**

**Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name,  
                  your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in Heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

**\* THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION AND REMEMBERING YOUR BAPTISM**

**\* INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

**\* GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**\* WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*The pastor continues with the prayer concluding:*

Let us pray: Spirit of the Living God, hover once more over us as you did at creation, energizing us with your life, that as we remember our baptism in Christ, may we be filled with your Holy Spirit gracing us with the blessing of your abundant, redeemed life.

**May this sacrament bring us closer to you, and may our lives be transformed by the good news of your presence in this Holy meal. Amen.**

**SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

**♪ COMMUNION SONG - "Spirit Of The Living God"**

Congregation

**\* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

O Lord, we give you thanks with all we are for all you have done for us.

**You are a sparkling River of Life flowing through our days. Take all we are, Lord, and use it for your purpose. Bless us that we might stand as shining witnesses to your glory, planted by your living water to bring healing to all peoples. Use us as you will to the praise of Christ Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

**\* ♪ SENDING SONG – "Welcome To The Family."**

Congregation

**PREPARING FOR OUR MISSION IN THE WORLD**

*We are called to make Christ known by our words and actions - in our church, in our local community, and throughout the world.*

**\* BENEDICTION**

**\* SENDING**

Go in peace. You are beloved!

**Thanks be to God!**

**\* ♪ POSTLUDE - "Go Tell It On The Mountain"**

*We invite you to participate in worship, reading the parts in bold print. ♪ means All Sing!*

*\* We invite you to stand, as you are able, for sections marked with an asterisk.*

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Thank you to Jami Wiseman and the TLPC children for a very special worship service last week!!

***PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!***

**TLPC's Annual Congregational Meeting will be held**

**Sunday, February 5 at 6:00 pm via Zoom**

***All TLPC members and friends are invited to attend and we hope to see you all on February 5!***

**We thank everyone who generously supports this ministry.** Gifts may be made online through our website at **[TLPC.org](http://TLPC.org)** or mailed to: **Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church, PO Box 10620, Truckee, CA 96162**

**Our congregation has a heart for missions:** locally, nationally, and in God's world. With your support we give to Sierra Community House (Hunger Relief, Crisis Intervention & Prevention, Family Support & Community Engagement, Mediation & Legal Assistance); North Tahoe-Truckee Homeless Services; Healthy Babies; International Health Partners Tanzania; Hands of Hope Zimbabwe; youth service trips to Nicaragua and Alaska; adult disaster trips locally and around the world; and the responsible, vigorous mission work of the Presbyterian Church USA and Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) in our nation and world. Additionally, during the pandemic, our congregation has supported local essential workers.

Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Washoe people, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this country their home.

**Truckee Lutheran Presbyterian Church**



**Follow Jesus. Love All. Serve Others.**