

Washington Street United Methodist Church

(Pre-Videoed)

Liturgical Color: White, symbolizing the purity of our Lord Washington Street UMC ~ Christ Chapel

January 10, 2021

Celebrating the Baptism of the Lord

PRELUDE

Improvisation on "At the Name of Jesus"
Louis Shirer, organ

WELCOME (Instructions for Interactive Worship)

You may create your sanctuary in any space, for all things belong to God. You are invited to light a candle with us and to share in the hymns and prayers as we celebrate The Baptism of our Lord.

HYMN 604

Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God CHRISTE SANCTORUM

(vs. 1-3)

- Praise and thanksgiving be to God our maker, source of all blessing, prodigal creator.
 Baptized and made your own, now we come before you while we adore you.
- 2. Not our own holiness nor that we have striven brings us the peace which you, O Christ, have given. Baptized and set apart, strengthen us, O Savior, with grace and favor.
- Come, Holy Spirit, come in visitation; you are the truth, our hope, and our salvation.
 Baptize with joy and power, give, O Dove descending, life never ending.

Shelley Maddox, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ Words: H. Francis Yardley, 1982; Music: *Paris Antiphoner*, 1681; harm. David Evans, 1927

OPENING PRAYER

God of heaven and earth, we gather in the name of Jesus to hear your holy Word and to be immersed in your Spirit. Speak to us with grace and truth and pour out your love upon us so that our lives may be like joyful shouts of glory; through Christ our Lord. Amen. *

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 29

Eleanore Vaughan Langley

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

Our Father, 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.

SOLO At the River arr. Aaron Copland Shelley Maddox, soprano; Louis Shirer, piano

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:4-11

HYMN 252 When Jesus Came to Jordan COMPLAINER

- When Jesus came to Jordan to be baptized by John, he did not come for pardon but as the sinless one. He came to share repentance with all who mourn their sins, to speak the vital sentence with which good news begins.
- He came to share temptation, our utmost woe and loss, for us and our salvation to die upon the cross.So when the dove descended on him, the Son of Man, the hidden years had ended, the age of grace began.
- Come, Holy Spirit, aid us to keep the vows we make; this very day invade us, and every bondage break.
 Come, give our lives direction, the gift we covet most: to share the resurrection that leads to Pentecost.

Shelley Maddox, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ

Words: Fred Pratt Green, 1973; Music: attr. William Walker, 1835; harm. Carlton R. Young, 1988

PROCLAMATION "Voices" Rev. Parrish

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

HYMN 2123 Loving Spirit KINGDOM

(vs. 1-3)

- 1. Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.
- 2. Like a mother you enfold me, hold my life within your own, feed me with your very body, form me of your flesh and bone.
- 3. Like a father you protect me, teach me the discerning eye, hoist me up upon your shoulder, let me see the world from high.

 Shelley Maddox, soprano; Louis Shirer, organ

 Words: Shirley Erena Murray, 1987; Music: V. Earle Copes, 1959

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE How Can I Keep from Singing arr. Richard Walters Shelley Maddox, soprano; Dr. Dwight Dockery, tenor; Louis Shirer, piano

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The Staff, members and friends of Washington Street United Methodist Church are deeply grateful to Dr. Dwight Dockery for his leadership as Director of Music; and his wife, Shelley Maddox, as she has served as one of our devoted Choral Scholars. Dwight is beginning a full-time position at First United Methodist Church in Maryville, Tennessee next week. We send them with our prayers and best wishes in this new ministry setting.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Rev. Parrish joins the entire staff and Washington Street Church family in expressing our deepest sympathy and Christian love to Suzanne Joye in the passing of her former husband, Barry Joye, father of Laurin Brooks and Derek Joye.

FLOWERS

The flowers used in today's service are given in loving memory of Don Fowler by the Active Faith Small Group.



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