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You are...Wanted...Valued...Included...Affirmed

Sunday, January 11th, 2025 - 10:00 AM

Baptism of Jesus

† indicates stand as you are able
Bold indicates participation by the people

MV = More Voices
VU = Voices United

Core Values: Living Faith - Inclusive Fellowship
Joyful Service – Being Anti-Racist – Affirming All

GATHERING AS COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

WELCOME & TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Hadih, Bundada honzoo, welcome in the name of The Christ.

All: Welcome to this place of worship, situated on the Ancestral and unceded lands of the Lheidli T'enneh people.
Welcome to this place of blessing, this space of grace, and this holy sanctuary.

This place where we discern how to live into the way of Jesus.
All: We gather this morning to share in song, word, and prayer, to publicly, intentionally, and explicitly affirm that we are all an expression of the divine's holy light.

Welcome to this community, with deep traditions and hearts open to God

All: Be present with God and with one another here

Be welcomed and receive this blessing of presence and connection.

LIFE & MINISTRY

THE PEACE OF CHRIST SHARED WITH ALL

The peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you.

LEARNING AND SPEAKING PEACE – Lheidli Dakelh

Peace of Christ be with you – Dez-ghel nawhulh ‘unt’oh
And also with you – Cha nyulh ‘unt’oh

† HYMN: Come All You People (Uyai Mose) (sung twice) MV#2

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: There is a wonder about this place, let us encounter it.

All: There is a diversity about this community, let us embrace it.

One: There is a plethora of views of faith here, let us listen to them.

All: And in the adventure those ideas open up.

One: Praise be to God, the source of all, who is the beginning and the end of this spiral path of birth, life, death, and life beyond death.

All: Come, let us walk in this good way, let us belong to one another, just as we belong to God

Lighting the Christ Candle:

GROUNDING IN THE HOLY ONE

EMBRACING GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE (Unison)

God's grace is poured out for each one of us, and for the world. There is nothing we can do to earn this love and grace, as it is freely given, it is meant for us and always will be. There is also nothing we can do to be cut off from God or God's all-encompassing, never-ending, always-beginning love. In opening ourselves to receive God's grace, we are embraced within God's Shalom – a wholeness of being grounded in connection and peace. God's Shalom includes us, God's love is for us, God's grace is meant for us.

† HYMN: Come Touch Our Hearts

MV#12

A STORY FOR THE AGES

*Lectionary@Home: Isaiah 42:1–9, Psalm 29, Acts 10:34–43,
Matthew 3:13–17*

FOCUS READINGS:

Matthew 3:13-17

New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

WA: This is the witness of The Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: Down to the River to Pray

SERMON: Baptism

Holy Quiet

BEING THE CHURCH THROUGH SERVICE

† HYMN: *I Am the Light of the World* **VU#87**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OUR GIFTS FOR MINISTRY

OFFERTORY PRAYER (Unison)

Gracious God, We bring these tokens of our recognition for your abundant gifts. We bring these gifts that they may be transformed by the hands of your community to bring Peace. We bring ourselves that we may share in the co-creating of your peace, and that we might too, partake and experience it with others. Holy One, we ask that you would bless these gifts, multiply them, bring the deep peace of Shalom to your people.

Amen.

† HYMN: *God of the Bible (Fresh as the Morning)* **MV#28**

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

† HYMN: *May God's Sheltering Wings* **MV# 214**

POSTLUDE

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY: *Worship Leader – Julian Narayan; Worship Assistant – Betty Belado; Pianist – Vic Steblin; Trumpet Player – Diane Kjorven; Choir Director – Erica Skowron; Associate Choir Director – Diane Kjorven; Adult Choir; Digital Ministry – Rebecca Fillier & Fya Garbutt*

