

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Benedictus

Alec Rowley

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT

from Cantata 172, "Sing Praises, Ye Faithful"

J.S. Bach

A pledge of peace from God I see Jesus, Thy Spirit and Thy Word, Keep me kindly in Thy favor,
When Thy pure eyes are turned to me Thy body and Thy blood afford O my Savior! Thou wilt cheer me:
My soul its dearest treasure. To show me Thy good pleasure. Thy Word calls me to draw near Thee.

11 a.m. **PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE**

***HYMN 483**

We Know that Christ is Raised

ENGELBERG

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *read in unison*

God, you call us to beloved community with you and with each other. But we exclude and reject those we deem different. You claim us as beloved, but we turn against each other in anger and hate. You liberate us and lead us in Christ's path of peace, but we build walls instead of building community. Redeeming God, forgive our worldly ways. Call us and claim us once again, O God. Create in us a clean heart, strengthen our resolve, reconcile us to one another, and bless us with your peace.

Time for silent prayer

11 a.m. ***RESPONSE**

Kyrie eleison

Choir introduces; Congregation sings when indicated

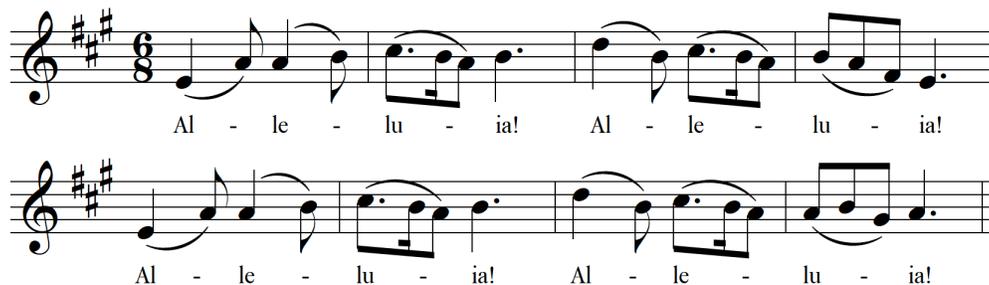
The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of two systems of music. The first system shows the piano introduction with the lyrics "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son." The second system continues the piano introduction with the lyrics "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son." The piano part features a steady accompaniment in the right hand and a more active bass line in the left hand. The vocal line is a simple melody that follows the text.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

***RESPONSE**

Alleluia!

CELTIC ALLELUIA



***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

11 a.m. **FIRST READING**

Isaiah 43:1-7

SECOND READING

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

SERMON

Stand by me

Rev. Steve Jester

THE RESPONSE

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostles' Creed

Text found at p.35 in the Hymnal.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please also see the information about ways to give on the inside of the front cover of the bulletin. You are invited to pass the Friendship pad found at the end of the pen.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

He comes to us as one unknown,
A breath unseen, unheard;
As though within a heart of stone,
Or shriveled seed in darkness sown,
A pulse of being stirred.

He comes when souls in silence lie
And thoughts of day depart;
Half seen upon the inward eye,
A falling star across the sky
Of night within the heart.

He Comes to Us as One Unknown

He comes to us in sound of seas,
The ocean's fume and foam;
Yet small and still upon the breeze,
A wind that stirs the tops of trees,
A voice to call us home.

He comes in love as once he came
By flesh and blood and birth;
To bear within our mortal frame
A life, a death, a saving Name,
For ev'ry child of earth.

REPTON, arr. Michael Burkhardt

He comes in truth when faith is grown;
Believed, obeyed, adored:
The Christ in all the scriptures shown,
As yet unseen, but not unknown,
Our Savior and our Lord.

Timothy Dudley-Smith

***DOXOLOGY 620**

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored forgiven, evermore his praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.**

SHARING GRACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

**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 debts as we forgive our debtors; 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 SENDING

***HYMN 377**

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

HOUSTON

***BLESSING**

*We are called to go out from our worship to share the grace of God with one another and the world.
You are welcome to remain seated for the postlude or exit quietly.*

POSTLUDE

"Hornpipe" from Water Music

G.F. Handel

IN WORSHIP TODAY

For our worshipers who use hearing devices, please be reminded that we have the T-Coil system available. If you have the T-coil feature on your hearing device, and most devices do have that feature, you simply need to switch it to that setting. If you would like a unit, please ask an usher to provide one.

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

Our life is in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. The Bible is the written witness to Jesus Christ, therefore it is "The Word of Life." Our lives are claimed by God through our baptism. It is God's seal on who we are as the children of God, therefore it is "The Font of Identity." The Table is the center of our home in the Body of Christ, the place where we are welcomed, renewed, and strengthened for the life to which we are called, therefore it is "The Table of Sustenance."

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in memory of Lelia Lewis and Robert Brien Stone by the Walker Duncan and Victor Baltzell Families.

USHERS

8:30 a.m.: Lorrie Conway, Peter Conway

11 a.m.: Connie Smith, Charlie Farnsley, Mindy Farnsley, Marcy Suter, Larry Jones, Ginny Jones

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Steve Jester, preacher; Rev. Jordan Akin, liturgist; Diana Jester, lay reader (11 a.m.)

The Octet (8:30 a.m.); Sanctuary Choir (11:00 a.m.); Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Samuel Libra, organist; Evan Vicic, Audio/Video Engineer

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WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Rebecca Brown and her family on the death of her father, Ferry Darrell Jackson, 12/21/21.

Brad Williamson and his family on the death of his father, William “Bill” Williamson, 12/16/21.

Susan Schmidt and her family on the death of her husband, Steve, 12/14/21.

Kelly Seiler and her family on the death of her brother-in-law, Nick Strong, 12/10/21.

Priss Hovious and her family on the death of her father, Nelson D. Rodes Jr., 12/01/21.

The family and friends of Bill Brittain on his death, 11/21/21.

Jean Herp and her family on the loss of her Aunt, Betsy Grey, 11/19/2021.

Charlie Castner and his family on the death of his brother, Henry Castner, 11/19/21.

WORSHIP INFORMATION

CHILDCARE: Childcare is available in room 117 for children ages 5 and under during 9:00 Worship and for children ages 3 and under for the 11:00 Worship. Room 117 is in Hilbert Hall, adjacent to the Weekday School Atrium, entrance #1 or #9.

Parents may pick up their children from the lower-level educational space after 11:00 Worship has ended. Educational space is best accessed through the double doors near the Narthex marked 2PK. PreK – 3rd grades rooms 150-154. 4th & 5th grades – room 180.

KidCheck is a secure children’s check-in system that enhances your provider’s security system and simplifies the check-in process. KidCheck helps ensure no one can pick up your child without your consent. Signing up for KidCheck is easy and free for parents, guardians, and workers! Visit <https://go.kidcheck.com> or download the KidCheck app on an iOS or Android device. Stations can be found at the nursery outside Hilbert Hall and in the Common Space near door 6. For you and your child/ren’s safety, beginning today, all doors except for door 3 and the main Sanctuary doors will be locked at 11:15. Please use one of these entrances if you will be arriving after this time.

NAMETAGS: We encourage all who come to worship each week to make a nametag so we can continue to welcome guests, and encourage our fellowship together. Look for the tags and markers at the entrances.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP: Anyone interested in providing Chancel flowers in honor or memory may contact Susanne Wright (sjwright@iglou.com) or Sam Libra (slibra@2ndpreslou.org) in the church office.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: THE HEALING PLACE

The Healing Place continues to be a beacon of hope to women and men hopelessly addicted to drugs and alcohol. This important mission partner serves a million meals yearly and has room to care for 1,000 clients across 3 campuses. There is no charge to clients and the majority remain there for at least 8-9 months before they are able to return to society. Everyone has a job to keep the facility running making the overhead only \$33 a day per client to be in the program. There is a long-term recovery program, detox, VA program, department of corrections program, intensive outpatient program (which provides free housing) sober living, aftercare programs, long-term overnight programs, homeless outreach program and housing contracts for people who need it.

We are collecting items during the month of January most needed by The Healing Place: deodorant, shampoo, toiletries, shaving products, hygiene products, etc. Please specify on the bag whether the items are for male or female. Additionally, clients are outdoors frequently walking to classes, so anything to help them stay warm will be well used such as the following: gloves, hats, coats, and scarves. Please drop off in the mission closet during church office hours or on Sundays. Thank you for your generosity!

PROTOCOL & UPDATE: Second's Re-opening Task Group, consistent with CDC and presbytery guidelines, emphasizes that regardless of vaccination status, wearing masks while gathering inside the church is strongly encouraged. Masking, while important for your own protection, is also an additional layer of protection for those around you, especially unvaccinated children and those who are at risk due to age or medical conditions. Masks are required in Weekday School spaces.

Due to rising infection rates brought by the omicron variant, the task group recommends no changes in protocol at this time. We had hoped to adjust masking protocols beginning this Sunday, January 2nd, but in an email discussion on Thursday the group unanimously recommended we continue current policy. They, and all the leadership of this congregation, are grateful for your understanding and patience as, together, we seek to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ in an uncertain and anxious time.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Week of January 9, 2022

WEDNESDAYS TOGETHER returns this **Wednesday, January 12 from 5–7 p.m.** Dinner will be served from 5–6 p.m. in the Great Hall. There will be a Bible Study for adults taught by Pastor Steve and Pastor Jordan, 6–7 p.m. Music and Vocal education for ages 3 through 5th grade will begin at 5:30 p.m. with childcare or activities to follow. Reservations are needed by noon on Monday of each week for the meals. Contact Chelsea at cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org to make a reservation. There is a suggested donation of \$5 per person with a \$15 family cap for the meal.

MORNING JOY

The winter session of Morning Joy, our Thursday morning Bible Study, gets underway on **January 13th at 9:45 a.m.** Pastor Steve Jester will lead the study entitled, "Challenging Teachings of Jesus," focusing on teachings from all four Gospels that push us and stretch us to grow as Christ's disciples. Participants can attend in-person in Fellowship Hall where masks are strongly encouraged or they can attend virtually via Zoom. All are welcome!

THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor

Rev. Jordan Akin, Associate Pastor for Youth

Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Worship and
Music Ministries

Hayley Abell, Director of Weekday School

Lisa Bickett, Pastoral Assistant

Keith DeCosta, Sexton

Samuel Libra, DMA, Communications Assistant
and Organist

Tanner Williams, Receptionist/Admin. Assistant

Christina Recktenwald, Children's Choirs
Co-Coordinator

Ricky Case, Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator

Amy Heckmann, Childcare Coordinator

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377 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to fol - low
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God. I want to look at
 3 I'm look-ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to be with

Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ-teous-ness, shine on my path, and
 Je - sus. When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

Refrain

star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther. In him there is no dark-ness at
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.

all. The night and the day are both a - like. The Lamb is the

light of the cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

The author/composer of this unrhymed hymn regards it as a meditation and prayer deeply rooted in many scriptures, most connected with the theme of light: Genesis 1:17; Psalm 139:12; Isaiah 60:19; Malachi 4:2; John 14:8; Ephesians 5:8; Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 John 1:5; Revelation 21:23.

We Know That Christ Is Raised 485

Capo 3: (D) (Asus) (A) (A/G) (D/F#)
 F Csus C C/B^b F/A



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
 3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows

(D) (A) (D) (E7) (A)
 F C F G7 C



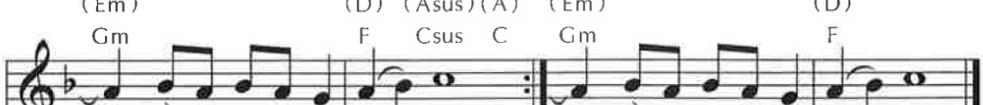
Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold,
 Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life
 The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the church of God.
 as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.

(Am) (D) (G) (Em) (Bm)
 Cm F B^b Gm Dm



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
 as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
 Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One.
 The u - ni - verse, re - stored and whole, will sing:

1-3 4
 (Em) (D) (Asus) (A) (Em) (D)
 Gm F Csus C Gm F



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Beginning with an allusion to Romans 6:9, this exuberant baptismal hymn unfolds the implications of our incorporation into Christ's new life, making us "a new creation" (2 Corinthians 5:17). The text was written to fit this expansive tune by a distinguished British composer.

TEXT: John Brownlow Geyer, 1967, alt.
 MUSIC: Charles Villiers Stanford, 1904
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ENGLBERG
 10.10.10.4
 (this tune in a higher key, 641)