Baptism of the Lord

January 7, 2018

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "We Three Kings of Orient Are" Raymond Haan

Invocation

Call To Worship

Leader: In the beginning, God called creation into being.

People: Let all creatures answer with life.

Leader: When the world needed a new beginning, God called Jesus.

People: Let us attend to the Word spoken again.

Leader: In Christ, God calls us to be born again—and again.

People: Let us dare to enter the new.

Hymn: #151 "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Creator God, you created the world with love, for love. And you pronounced it good. We, too, were created good. Yet we do bad. Instead of bringing together, we break apart. We hurt, hurt others, hurt your creation, hurt ourselves. We forget we were made for love. Forgive us, Lord. Remember our good. Make us new. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Response: In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; In the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God: do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. (p.654)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "Out of Deep, Unordered Water" (GTG 484) Parry/Kahn Chancel Choir

Children's Sermon

(Following Children's Sermon, children leave for Sunday School)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer
Offering of Tithes and Gifts
Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory "Baptized in Water" *Doxology (page 606)

Kenneth Kosche

First Scripture Readings: Genesis 1:1-5 (p.1)

Hymn: #664 "Morning Has Broken"

Second Scripture Reading: Mark 1:4-11 (p.32)

Sermon: Invited to Be

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Apostles Creed (p. 17) The Peace of Christ

Hymn: #476 "Crashing Waters at Creation"

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude "Praise Him! Praise Him!" Charles Callahan

The End of Worship
The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand

As you leave worship, greet all with the Peace of Christ

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of Ralph & Janice Homsher Given by the David Homsher Family

VISITORS AND MEMBERS: WELCOME! During the offertory the Friendship Book will be passed from the end of the pew. Please sign it and indicate other information as appropriate. Pass the book back down the pew and notice the names of the other worshippers. Greet one another warmly after the service.

WORSHIP HOUR INFORMATION:

It is an ancient Scottish custom for the pulpit Bible to be brought into the sanctuary and placed by a layperson before the service begins.

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.): NURSERY PROVIDED UPON **REQUEST**. Please see an usher if you would like to take your children to the nursery.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER & HELPER

Today: Carol Shearer & Marie Brackbill

Next Sunday, January 14: Kathy & Chuck Ankney

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: Helen Kreider

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grandparents Ron & Sue Funk would like to announce the birth of their grandson, Mason James Funk born this Friday, January 5. He is the son of Steve & Jayme Funk.

TODAY:

Service of Worship 9:30 a.m. **Adult Sunday School** 10:45 a.m.

MONDAY

7:00 p.m. CCL Meeting

Stewardship Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Worship Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. **Chancel Choir**

7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY 7:00 p.m.

Mission Committee Meeting

Important reminder: If your address or phone number has changed, please contact the church office.

Leacock Presbyterían Church

First met in Leacock Township in 1724, recognized by the Synod in 1740, moved to Paradise in 1840.



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