



January 9, 2022

Prelude	<i>The Love of God</i>	June Shuffett
Welcome/Announcements		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Hymn	<i>Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies</i>	Kevin Lackie
Opening Prayer		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Pastor: Let us pray		
Holy God of glory and majesty, You have called us by name. We pray in this moment for the courage and the strength to answer Your call. As we open our ears to hear the story of Your Son's baptism, open our hearts also, that we may experience again the renewing power of rebirth in the Holy Spirit. Inspire us in this time of worship, that we may claim our own identity as Your beloved children. We pray in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.		
Children's Message		Linda Biscardo
Hymn	<i>When Jesus Came to Jordan</i>	Kevin Lackie
Prayers of the People		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
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 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.		
Scripture Readings	Isaiah 43:1-7; Mark 1:9-11	Peggy Brown
Message	Known by a Watermark: Called to Life	Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Renewal of Baptism

Litany of Baptismal Renewal

Pastor: Sisters and brothers in Christ:
through the sacrament of baptism

God's Spirit has been poured out upon water,
water poured over and immersing us,
water that flows freely for all who will receive it,
water from the streams of God's saving power and justice,
water that brings hope to all who thirst for righteousness,
water that refreshes life, nurtures growth, and offers new birth.

Today we come to the waters,
to renew our commitments
to Christ who has raised us,
the Spirit who has birthed us,
and the Creator who is making all things new.

And so I ask you, will you turn away from the powers of sin and death?

**People: We renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness,
reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of our sin!**

Pastor: Will you let the Spirit use you as prophets to the powers that be?

**People: We accept the freedom and power God gives us
to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves!**

Pastor: Will you proclaim the good news and live as disciples of Jesus Christ, his body on earth?

**People: We confess Jesus Christ as our Savior,
put our whole trust in His grace,
and promise to serve Him as our Lord,
in union with the church which Christ has opened
to people of all ages, nations, and races!**

Pastor: Will you be living witnesses to the gospel, individually and together, wherever you are, and in all that you do?

**People: We will remain faithful members of Christ's holy church and serve as Christ's
representatives in the world.**

Pastor: Great God of Water and Life, we come to these waters, reaffirming our covenant of baptism and remembering that we are loved and claimed by You.

**People: We renew our commitments to Christ who has raised us,
the Spirit who has birthed us, and the Creator who is making all things new.**

Pastor: Come upon us, Holy Spirit!

People: Come upon us, Holy Spirit!

Pastor: Come upon these waters.

People: Come upon these waters.

Pastor: Let these waters be to us drops of Your mercy and grace.

People: Let these waters remind us that we are Your beloved.

Pastor and People: Glory to God. AMEN!

Pastor: Let us rejoice in the faithfulness of our covenant God.

People: We give thanks for all God has already given us.

As members of the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Hymn

He Leadeth Me

Kevin Lackie

Benediction

Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Postlude

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

June Shuffett