

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



GENESIS 3:1-7, 14-24 AND LUKE 3:15-17, 21-22

“BAPTISM OF OUR LORD”

Jesus chooses to be baptized as an example for us and as the public epiphany for the in-breaking of the Kingdom of God.

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BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAYER**

***BOLD** indicates congregational responses.
* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

GATHER

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

Isaiah 60:1, 4; Psalm 27:1

P: We gather together in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

C: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

P: Lift your eyes and look around:

C: all gather together to proclaim the praise of the Lord.

P: Your sun will never set again.

C: The Lord is our light and our salvation!

P: Your days of sorrow will end.

C: The Lord is our light and our salvation!

P: Whom shall we fear?

C: Whom shall we fear? The Lord is the strength of our life, whom shall we fear?



1 When Je - sus came to Jor - dan to be bap - tized by John,
 2 He came to share temp - ta - tion, our ut - most woe and loss,
 3 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, aid us to keep the vows we make;



he did not come for par - don but as the Sin - less One.
 for us and our sal - va - tion to die up - on the cross.
 this ver - y day in - vade us, and ev - 'ry bond - age break.



He came to share re - pen - tance with all who mourn their sins,
 So when the dove de - scend - ed on him, the Son of Man,
 Come, give our lives di - rec - tion, the gift we cov - et most:



to speak the vi - tal sen - tence with which good news be - gins.
 the hid - den years had end - ed, the age of grace be - gan.
 to share the res - ur - rec - tion that leads to Pen - te - cost.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

GENESIS 3:1-7, 14-24

¹Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" ²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

¹⁴The Lord GOD said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,
cursed are you among all animals
and among all wild creatures;
upon your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.

**¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will strike your head,
and you will strike his heel."**

¹⁶To the woman he said,
"I will greatly increase your pangs in childbearing;
in pain you shall bring forth children,

yet your desire shall be for your husband,
and he shall rule over you."

¹⁷And to the man he said,

"Because you have listened to the voice of your wife,
and have eaten of the tree
about which I commanded you,

'You shall not eat of it,'

cursed is the ground because of you;

in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life;

¹⁸thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you;

and you shall eat the plants of the field.

¹⁹By the sweat of your face

you shall eat bread

until you return to the ground,

for out of it you were taken;

you are dust,

and to dust you shall return."

²⁰The man named his wife Eve, because she was the mother of all living. ²¹And the Lord GOD made garments of skins for the man and for his wife, and clothed them.

²²Then the Lord GOD said, "See, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever" — ²³therefore the Lord GOD sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was taken. ²⁴He drove out the man; and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim, and a sword flaming and turning to guard the way to the tree of life.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

Congregational refrain:

Wor-ship the Lord in the beau-ty of ho - li-ness.

¹Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

²Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

³The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;
the voice of the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

⁴The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

⁵The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

⁶The Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

Refrain:

⁷The voice of the Lord bursts forth in lightning flashes.

⁸The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁹The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.
And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

Refrain:

¹⁰The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forevermore.

¹¹O Lord, give strength to your people; give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace.

Refrain:

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SECOND LESSON

ACTS 8:14-17

Peter and John are sent to support the new Christians in Samaria, a group that was recently baptized after hearing the good news of Christ through the preaching of Philip. Here the Samaritans receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the laying on of hands.

¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 1:1, Luke 24:32



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!



Our hearts burn with - in us while you o - pen to us the Scrip - tures.



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!

*GOSPEL

LUKE 3:15-17, 21-22

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.

Response after the announcement:



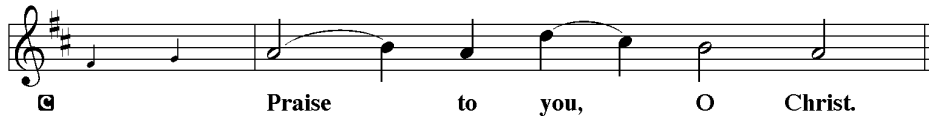
Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

The reading opens with questions about the identity of the Messiah. John the Baptist insists that he is not the Messiah; instead he points ahead to one who is coming. And whether the voice of God was heard by all or only by Jesus, God settles the matter: Jesus is God's beloved Son.

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

"Baptism of our Lord"

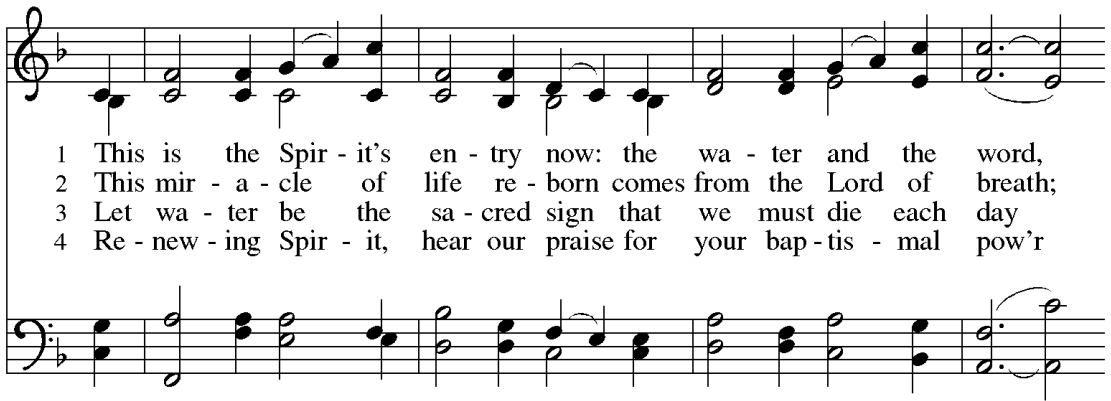
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The Example and Gift of Baptism

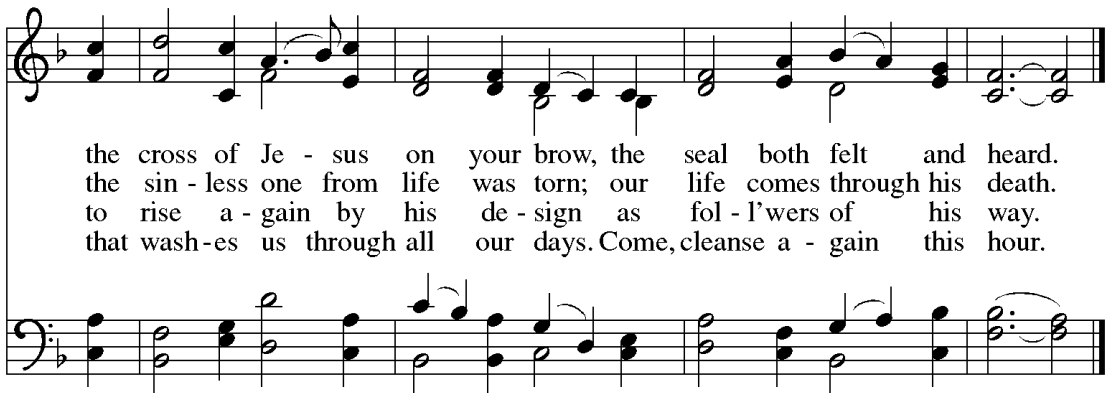
The Law is an aspect of God's Word that shows sin and brokenness: Do I live out of the covenant of my baptism or do I continue self-centered and self-preoccupied?

The Gospel is an aspect of God's Word that comforts and saves in Christ: Our Lord Jesus is baptized glorifying the Father in the Presence of the Holy Spirit.

So What? Pray, work, play and live in the awareness you are a child of God. Whenever you wash your face, remember your baptism (Martin Luther).



1 This is the Spir - it's en - try now: the wa - ter and the word,
2 This mir - a - cle of life re - born comes from the Lord of breath;
3 Let wa - ter be the sa - cred sign that we must die each day
4 Re - new - ing Spir - it, hear our praise for your bap - tis - mal pow'r



the cross of Je - sus on your brow, the seal both felt and heard.
the sin - less one from life was torn; our life comes through his death.
to rise a - gain by his de - sign as fol - l'wers of his way.
that wash - es us through all our days. Come, cleanse a - gain this hour.

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***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and

sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body

and the life + everlasting. Amen.

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by Your Spirit so that we may live and serve You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. *2 Corinthians 13:11*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

ANTHEM

“Washed Anew”

CHANCEL CHOIR

Thomas Keesecker

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Refrain:

Washed anew with life giving water,
Bathed and cleansed, Kyrie, kyrie eleison!

Thirsting for knowledge, Thirsting for truth, Jesus, you have set us free.
Like gentle rainfall, Life morning dew, Clear and clean our hearts will be. *Refrain*

Cast off all weakness, Cast off all sin, With his death we've been reborn.
A mighty ocean, A quiet stream, Rising, greet a glorious morn. *Refrain*

Come sing God's praises, Come to the feast, Christ is risen from the grave.
A flooding river, A raging sea, Trembling, stand among the saved. *Refrain*

PRAYER

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.**

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

P: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.

C: Amen.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9-13

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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 and ever. Amen.**


SENDING

***THE BLESSING**

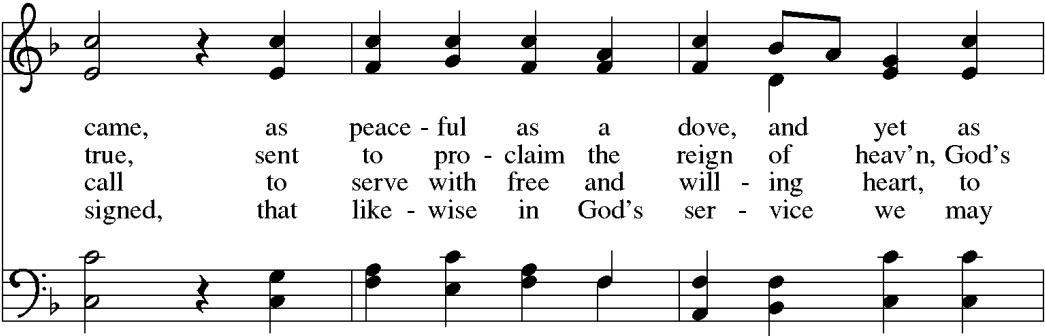
Numbers 6:24-26

P: The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the Name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

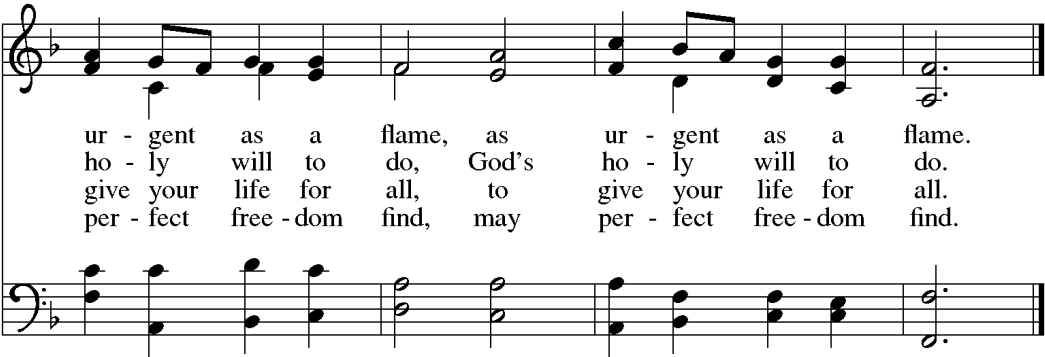
C: Amen.



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on you
 2 God called you, "My be - lov - ed Son"; you are God's ser - vant
 3 Straight-way and stead-fast un - til death you then o - beyed the
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spir - it, Lord; your cross on us be



came, as peace - ful as a dove, and yet as
 true, sent to pro - claim the reign of heav'n, God's
 call to serve with free and will - ing heart, to
 signed, that like - wise in God's ser - vice we may



ur - gent as a flame, as ur - gent as a flame.
 ho - ly will to do, God's ho - ly will to do.
 give your life for all, to give your life for all.
 per - fect free - dom find, may per - fect free - dom find.

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***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Keith & Teresa Yarborough in honor of their grandchildren William, Skylar and Andrew.

Thank you to Susan & David Lewis and the Altar Guild and everyone who helped take the Christmas decorations down in the Sanctuary!



PARISH NEWS

Facemasks are recommended but not required during all indoor events and to spread out as much as possible during in-person worship with a 3-foot space between households.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST: If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:30 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

NEW SUNDAY SCHEDULE: There is only one Worship Service at 10:00am in the Sanctuary. The early Service will not be offered. Bible Study (Sunday School) will begin at 9:00am.

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL: The first Council Meeting for 2022 is **TODAY at 4pm** in the Chapel.

WORSHIP & MUSIC: The next Worship & Music Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, **January 13 at 6:00pm** in the Conference Room.

NEWSLETTER: Articles for the February newsletter are due Wednesday, **January, 19.**

2022 ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR: The following dates are still available on the 2022 altar flower calendar: Feb. 27, March 27, and Nov. 20. If you'd like to sign up for one of these Sundays, please call or text Susan Lewis at 704-914-8451.

2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES: The 2022 offering envelopes are ready to be picked up and can be found in the Narthex.

YOU'RE INVITED!: The congregation of Lutheran Chapel is cordially invited to attend a reception in the Family Life Center immediately following the 10:00 Service on **January 16, 2022 (NOTE CHANGE IN DATE)** to celebrate the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Terry and Trish Ratchford. Please drop in for some delicious treats and to share in their celebration of love and commitment. No gifts please ~ your presence will be their present.

BABY SHOWER: Please join us for a baby shower honoring *Amy & Josh Carpenter* on **January 23** immediately following worship in the Family Life Center. The proud parents are expecting a baby boy. They are registered at Amazon. Proud grandparents are Lisa & Chuck Burch and Katherine & Johnny Carpenter. Proud great-grandmother is Sara Carpenter.

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (*Psalm 1:2*) Prayer lists and roster, Psalter readings, daily Bible lessons, and a song of praise are below.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: BT & Pauline Bradley, Todd Carpenter, Renee Dockery, Kathy Finch, Judy Gault, Ervin Hoffman, Henry Hoffman, Pr. Peter Homovich, Larry Hoover, Dru Huffstickler, Ann Marie Lentz, Betty Petty, Terry Ratchford, Bill & Kay Robinson, Ed Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Bob Thornburg, and Myra Weaver

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Harry Angstadt, Eula Brazell, Bill Bridges, Deborah Carpenter, Mary Collins, Laura Dixon, Jamison Franklin, Mona Fulton, Victoria Garcia, family of Sandy Helms, Sherry Hester, Jack Jeffries, Paula Kadel, Ernestine Kincaid, Robbie and Cathy Lewis, Frieda Moses, Lee Norris, Dakota Shuford, Luke Slessman, Charlene Sorenson, and Judi Truesdail

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491), Pastor Comer (704-787-6439) or our prayer team (Katherine Carpenter 704-214-2493).

PRAYER ROSTER - Pray for one another. (*Ephesians 6:18*)

Sunday: Tonya Dowdy

Thursday: Charles Edwards

Monday: Katie Moses

Friday: Lynda Ellington

Tuesday: Leann Moses

Saturday: Michael Ellington

Wednesday: Ann Edwards

FEAST OF PSALMS: *Epiphany*

	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
AM	1, 8	36, 40	46, 47	61, 62	71, 72	87, 93	99, 100
PM	19, 27	41, 45	48, 50	66, 67	84, 86	96, 97	103, 135

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 02: January 9 to January 16, 2022

01/09 Morning Reading: Matthew 7—Evening Reading: Genesis 23, 24

01/10 Morning Reading: Matthew 8:1-17—Evening Reading: Genesis 25, 26

01/11 Morning Reading: Matthew 8:18-34—Evening Reading: Genesis 27, 28

01/12 Morning Reading: Matthew 9:1-17—Evening Reading: Genesis 29, 30

01/13 Morning Reading: Matthew 9:18-38—Evening Reading: Genesis 31, 32

01/14 Morning Reading: Matthew 10:1-20—Evening Reading: Genesis 33, 34, 35

01/15 Morning Reading: Matthew 10:21-42—Evening Reading: Genesis 36, 37, 38

01/16 Morning Reading: Matthew 11—Evening Reading: Genesis 39, 40

Songs of Praise: “*Blest Are They*”
“*Borning Cry*”

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Next Sunday, January 16, 2021

Genesis 6:5-6, 7:11-18, 8:6-21, 9:8-13 and John 2:1-11 ~ *“The Best Wine”*

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This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that list the commemorations for the week.



CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9 - SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 2021

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|----------------|-----------------|--|
| Sun-09 | 9:00 am | Luther Choir & Bible Study (Sunday School) |
| | 10:00 am | Worship (Sanctuary) |
| | 4:00 pm | Congregational Council Meeting (Chapel) |
| | 5:00 pm | Crossroads Choir |
| | 6:00 pm | Chancel Choir |
| | 8:00 pm | Faith Group (Fellowship Hall) |
| Mon-10 | 8:30 am | Preschool |
| | 6:30 pm | Via de Cristo (Fellowship Hall) |
| Tues-11 | 8:30 am | Preschool |
| | 10:00 am | Clothing Closet Workday |
| | 10:00 am | Garden Club (Fellowship Hall) |
| Wed-12 | 8:30 am | Preschool |
| | 6:00 pm | Handbell Choir |
| Thur-13 | 8:30 am | Preschool |
| | 6:00 pm | Worship & Music Meeting (Conference Room) |