

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Baptism of the Lord/First Sunday after the Epiphany
January 13, 2019 **10:30 AM**

* Stand if you are able

Bold: Said by all

All hymns, scriptures and congregational prayers are projected.

Musical Prelude

CALL TO WORSHIP

* Entry of the Word

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (responsive)

The heavens open. The Spirit descends.

Jesus emerges from the water.

And a voice echoes through the blue expanse.

**"This is my child, the Beloved,
with whom I am well-pleased."**



Jesus is named. Claimed.

We come to the water.

We remember we are named. Claimed.

Can it be so?

What a thing it is to be named and claimed by God.

Let us worship the one who names and claims us still.

* Gathering Hymn: *"In Christ Alone"*

(projected)

Prayers of Praise and Confession:

Assurance of Pardon:

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

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MINISTER: Rev. Mikal Schomburg

ORGANIST: Mr. Ian Madge

*Children's Hymn: *"I Am the Church"*

(#475)

Time with Our Children

(Children Grade 12 and under leave for Sunday School)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination: *“Speak Lord in the Stillness”* (#442)
(sung by the Choir)

Scripture

Isaiah 43:1-7

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**



MESSAGE

Silent Reflection

OUR RESPONSE

* Hymn of Response:

(#184)

“What King Would Wade Through Murky Streams?”

Baptism of Olivia Susan Suriano

Declaration of Faith (Bruce Prewer):

I believe in God

**who speaks through the prophets
and lifts our gaze up to high
and beautiful paths and peaks.**



I believe in Christ Jesus,

**free of corruption yet willingly numbered among the sinners,
baptised in the waters of the Jordan.**

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I believe in the Spirit

**who rested on Jesus like a dove,
and who inspired him with such love
as the world has not seen before or since.**

**I believe that those who are baptised into Christ
shall share his Spirit, his mission
and his ultimate victory over sin and death.**

**I believe that there is no human ability that cannot be enlarged,
and no weakness that cannot be used by Christ
to the praise of God.**

**I believe that this believing is a gift from God,
not to be used for self-gratification
but for the building up of the church
and for humble service in the world**

**I believe that as a baptised child of God,
I am the recipient of a healing grace
which precedes and supersedes all my efforts to be true.**

**With the help of God,
I will attempt to live my belief all the days of my life,
and by his grace, dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
Amen**

* Aaronic Blessing (Choir only)

Invitation to Offering

* Doxology (#79)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastoral Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

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SENDING

* Parting Hymn: *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You"* (#410)

* Benediction:

* *"Go Now In Peace"*

* Exit of the Word Musical Postlude

Choir Anthem: *"Every Valley"* (music by Patti Drennan)