

The Chapel in the Pines

January 8, 2023

*Serving our Community by Preaching, Teaching,
and Living the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

Baptism of the Lord Sunday



**The flowers on the Communion table this week are given
to the Glory of God by Mary Snead.**

The Chiming of the Trinity

The Prelude

Concerns, Celebrations, and Prayers of our Chapel Family

***The Congregational Call to Worship**

#267 Come, Thou Almighty King (verse 1)

**Come, Thou Almighty King. Help us Thy name to sing.
Help us to praise: Father all glorious, o'er all victorious,
come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.**

In the very beginning, God separated the darkness and the light.
God called the light "day" and the darkness, God called "night".
**We were once people who dwelled in darkness,
but God has given us the true Light, Jesus Christ.**

Through the Sacrament of Baptism,
God has blessed us and adopted us as God's own beloved children.
**The water of baptism brings to us healing and reconciliation;
it is a symbol of nourishment and cleansing.**

This is the day we remember Jesus' baptism.
**As we hear the words of his baptism,
let us be reminded of our own adoption by God
and celebrate our joyous connection to the Lord.**

***The Invocation and 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 and ever...Amen.**

***The Song of Praise and Thanksgiving**

#267 Come, Thou Almighty King (verse 2)

**Come, Thou Incarnate Word. Gird on Thy mighty sword.
Our prayer attend! Come and Thy people bless,
and give Thy word success. Spirit of holiness, on us descend.**

***Hymn** #231 Jesus Shall Reign

1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does His successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2 To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And endless praises crown His head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With ev'ry morning sacrifice.

3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.

4 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
His grateful honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud "Amen!"

***The Passing of the Peace**

The grace and peace
of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ be with you all...
and also with you!



“He will baptize you...”

The Passing of the Welcome Pads

The Invitation to the Offering

The Offertory

***The Doxology** Hymn #267 Come, Thou Almighty King (verse 4)

**To Thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be.
Hence evermore: Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see,
and to eternity love and adore.**

***The Prayer of Dedication**

The Prayer of Illumination

Welcoming the Holy Spirit

#267 Come, Thou Almighty King (verse 3)

**Come, Holy Comforter. Thy sacred witness bear.
In this glad hour: Thou, who almighty art,
now rule in ev'ry heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.**

A Reading from the New Testament Matthew 3:13-17
Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John.

Homily Baptized...No Problem...But, Wait a Minute...

***Hymn** #320 Come Holy Spirit, Dove Divine

1 Come, Holy Spirit, Dove divine,
On these baptismal waters shine,
And teach our hearts, in highest strain,
To praise the Lamb for sinners slain.

2 We love Thy name, we love Thy laws,
And joyfully embrace Thy cause;
We love Thy cross, the shame, the pain,
O Lamb of God for sinners slain.

3 We sink beneath the water's face,
And thank Thee for Thy saving grace;
We die to sin and seek a grave
With Thee, beneath the yielding wave.

4 And as we rise with Thee to live,
O let the Holy Spirit give
The sealing unction from above,
The joy of life, the fire of love.

Amen.



"He will baptize you..."

The Eucharist

Remembering Our Baptism and Holy Communion

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

With the water of baptism reminding us of your love for us,
Voice of Heaven, we lift our praises to you.
Before you breathed the word which tamed chaos,
you named us your children, heirs of all the goodness you desired for us.

You sang to us in Eden's fields, inviting us to glorify you forever.
Yet, we walked into the shadows of the world, leaving the songs behind us. You persisted
in your hopes for us, knowing that where no life is anticipated, no hope is expected, no fu-
ture is seen...

it is in those barren and desolate places
that you gather your children up to carry us into your kingdom.

So, with angel choirs in every region,
with shepherds who caroled a homeless family,
with those who came home singing from exile,
we lift our voices in joy and hope:

**Holy are you, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Bearer of grace and Singer of truth.
When we lost our voice to sin,
you sent your Word to teach us new songs of joy and praise.
When our feet became muddy from playing in life's puddles,
he stepped into the Jordan, so that all of us might be cleansed of sin.
When our ears were filled with the lies of the world,
he spoke the truth of your everlasting hope for us.
When we were about to die, he came running to us,
defeating sin and death,
marking us as your own with the kiss of the Holy Spirit.**

As we remember Christ's baptism, as we recall his life and ministry,
as we follow him through death into the resurrection of the new life,
we proclaim that mystery we call faith:

**Christ has died...
Christ is risen...
Christ will come again!**

**The Invitation
The Words of Institution
The Communion of the People
*The Prayer after Communion**



“He will baptize you...”

***The Affirmation of Faith**

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***The Blessing When Jesus Came to Jordan** By Fred Pratt Green

***Hymn #267** Come, Thou Almighty King (verse #4)

**To Thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be.
Hence evermore: Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see,
and to eternity love and adore. Amen.**

***The Postlude**



"He will baptize you..."



Prayers for Chapel Friends:



Patty and Jackie Madden, Jack Sealey, Phyllis Mahin, Anthony Tuliano, Cynthia Peppe, Janet Hegeman, Ellie Lyons, Maggie Simmons, Dot Cantwell, Kathy Steele, Sabrina Levine, Chandler Steward, Mike Karnish, Evangeline Caliendo, Laurie Stevens, Little Daniel Auman, Koran Sanders, Joseph Rickards, Father Gary Sawtelle, Val Scantlin, Jamie Raskin, Nick Benschoter, Angie Pinyan, Mary Faas, Eddie McInnis, Israel Duncan, Olivia McDonald, Denise DuLeon, Lerici Racine, the family of Lou Mathews, the family of Ernie Martin, and the people of Ukraine.

Prayers for Chapel Family:

George Hoffman, Bud Holzerland, Mary Kay Allen, Nancee Letter, Charles Hinson, Jane and Jeff Lowe, Dave Westerman, Meta Evans, Joan Tourt, Ralph Olson, Bill and JoAn Moses, Jimmy McCaskill, Tamara Lee.

January Announcements



Wednesday-January 11 Jon Tichenor
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Saturday-January 14 Kiona Baker
Sunday-January 15 Alice McPheeters
Tuesday-January 17 John Caggiano
Wednesday-January 18 Mary Tuft

Altar Flowers



January

1-8 Mary Snead
1-15 Volunteer Needed
1-22 Volunteer Needed
1-29 Volunteer Needed

February

2-5 Bruce & Vickie Bedder
2-12 Volunteer Needed
2-19 Volunteer Needed
2-26 Volunteer Needed

Looking Ahead!

Sunday, January 8	9:00 am	Baptism of the Lord Sunday
Friday-January 13	11:00 am	Mission Team Meeting
Sunday-January 15	9:00 am	Second Sunday after Epiphany
	3:30 pm	Chapel Board Meeting
Thursday, January 19	4:00 pm	Worship Team Meeting
Sunday-January 22	9:00 am	Chapel Café
Sunday-January 29	9:00 am	Third Sunday after Epiphany
		Fourth Sunday after Epiphany



Worship

There are many opportunities in 2023 for assisting with our Coffee Fellowship after worship on Sunday mornings. Please use the signup sheet on podium just outside fellowship hall to let us know which Sunday(s) work for you. You can also call Susan Williams, Chapel Administrator (910) 400-5188 to have your name added to the list.



The 2023 Flower Calendar is available on the bulletin board just outside the Chapel Administrator office. Please sign up to let us know which Sunday(s) you would like to provide flowers for the altar and what occasion you are honoring. You can also call Susan Williams, Chapel Administrator to have your name added to the list (910) 400-5188.



The Third Chapel Cafe' January 19, 2023 - 4:00

All are invited to attend the Third *Chapel Cafe'* on Thursday, January 19, beginning at 4:00. In the previous *Chapel Cafe's* we have dealt with the questions of "what" and "why"... "what" is a church growth program and "why" would the leadership of the Chapel desire that we implement such a program?

This Thursday we will deal with the "how" question.... "how" will we develop and implement our 2023 church growth program? "How" will we seek out program leadership with a vision for the future? "How" will we attract members to fill out all the new volunteer opportunities? "How" will we design a church growth program to fit the unique needs of our Chapel? "How" will we come together to support and encourage one another through this time of change?

Everyone is encouraged to attend, especially those who have questions, concerns, and fears about this new program. Board members will be present to hear all your comments and concerns and a summary of your input will be available for future planning.

The discussion will be followed by a meal so reservations are required. Please let Susan [(910) 400-5188 or citp10@7lakeschapel.com] know if you will be attending by Tuesday, January 17th.



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