

SENDING

**\*HYMN #465**

*Baptized in Water*

BUNESSAN

**\*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**THE POSTLUDE**

*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

Henry Purcell, arr. David Willcocks

Carl Bingle, organ

**Communion Voluntaries:**

*Es ist das Heil uns kommen her (Salvation Now Has Come to Us)* 18th c. unknown

*Lamb of God*

Twila Paris, arr. Leatherman

Carl Bingle, organ

*BAPTISM OF THE LORD*

January 7, 2018

10:00 a.m.

This service is being broadcast over radio station WATN 1240

\* Indicates that those who are able may stand.

GATHERING

**GATHERING MUSIC**

*Hymn to Joy* (hymn 90)

*There Is a Balm in Gilead*

*As the Deer* (hymn 548)/*Fairest Lord Jesus* (87)

Carl Bingle, FPC Organist

Albert Travis

American Spiritual, arr. Page

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**GREETING**

Peace be with you.

**And also with you.**

**PRELUDE**

*Let All Things Their Creator Bless*

Carl Bingle, organ

Alfred Fedak

**CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ adapted from Psalm 29

Leader: Let the angels sing praise,  
a song of wonder and power.  
Let them sing of the Holy One,  
so their song becomes our prayer.

**People: The song abides above the chaos;  
the song is in the thunder;  
the song persists within the flood.  
The song is our strength;  
the song is our beauty.**

The song will fell ancient rites  
and bring down what must fall.  
The powerful will feel humility  
and the broken will feel compassion.


**The song of the Holy One  
consumes as it brings new life.  
The song of the Holy One walks the woods  
and finds the verdant valley.**

Celebrating a



**THIS WEEK**

January 8 Philip Sprague  
January 9 Dawson Allen  
January 10 Sherri Bergman



**IN NEED OF PRAYER**

*Arlene Wilson, Shane McWayne, Gerda Barbour, and for the sick and those who need God's comfort.*

**Prayer Help Available.** Please call the church office at 782-1750 if you have a prayer request. Your confidential prayer request will be put on the First Pres. Prayer Chain. Only those requesting public prayers are included for prayers in our church bulletin.

**\*HYMN #90**

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

HYMN TO JOY

**INVITATION TO REPENTANT PRAYERS**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord, search our hearts and minds. Look for what has lost mercy; find what has no patience. Remove the refuse from us; restore the image of creation. Forgive us for leaving aside the promise of baptism; forgive what we have forgotten; we are the beloved who offer what we have received. Let us begin anew with baptism. Wash us with grace. Amen.

*A moment of silence for personal prayers of confession.*

**WORDS OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS**

In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**In Jesus Christ, you are also forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

**\*GLORIA PATRI - Hymnal #813**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

**LITURGIST WELCOME**

**THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST READING**

Mark 1:9-11; 14-15 (New Testament, pages 34-35 in pew Bibles)

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

Rev. Dr. Fred Garry

(At this time we invite all K-7th graders to join us for Sunday School, please have children follow the teacher thru the door on the left. Children will meet parents in Fellowship Hall after the service.)

**Hymn #185, verse 1**

*Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so; little ones to Him belong,  
They are weak but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

**SECOND READING**

Mark 3:7-12 (New Testament, page 37 in pew Bibles)

**SERMON**

“The Last Resort”

Rev. Dr. Fred Garry

**\*HYMN #586**

*He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*

WHOLE WORLD

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH ~ The Apostles' Creed**

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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

**OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*In Remembrance*

Courtney/Red

Chancel Choir; Sara Gleason, director; Phyllis Elmer, piano; Carl Bingle, organ

**\*DOXOLOGY ~ HYMNAL #815**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastoral Prayer (concluding with The Lord's Prayer)

“Holy Is the Lord” Hymnal #75

Words of Institution and Distribution of Elements

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

We have broken the bread and poured the wine.

**Let the bread sustain us in our life.**

**Let the cup restore the joy of living.**