

The Reverend Dr. Crump suggests you have some water so you may participate in the Congregational Reaffirmation of the Covenant Renewal.

Mulberry Street United Methodist Church

Macon, Georgia

January 10, 2021 – Baptism of the Lord

Recorded Online Sanctuary Worship

Gathering

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Nita Crump

Call to Worship

Genesis 1:1-2; Mark 1:1, 9-11

Hymn

*Ho, All Who Thirst
Come Now to the Water*

JACOB'S WELL

Refrain

Ho, all who thirst, come now to the water,
and all whose souls are parched and weary, come and drink!
Ho, all who thirst, come now to the water,
and from your heart will flow a never-failing spring!

Why forsake the Lord, the fount of living water,
choosing broken cups that cannot be filled? *Refrain*

For the Lamb will be our shepherd and will guide us
to the wellsprings of the water of life. *Refrain*

All who come may take this gift of living water.
They will thirst no more, for they shall be filled. *Refrain*

Prayer of the Day

Genesis 1:1; Psalm 29:9; Acts 19:5-7; Mark 1:8

Proclaiming

Prayers for Illumination

Mark 1:10-11

Old Testament

Genesis 1:1-5

Psalm

Psalm 29
Your voice, O Lord, is a voice of splendor.

Gospel

Mark 1:4-11

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Nita Crump

Even though John the Baptist made it plain that the one who would come after him would baptize with the Holy Spirit, Jesus chose to be baptized with water. Why did Jesus want to be baptized? What are the benefits of baptism by water for us today?

Responding

Hymn

Down Galilee's Slow Roadways

WEST MAIN

Down Galilee's slow roadways a stranger traveled on
from Nazareth to Jordan to be baptized by John.
He went down to the water like soldier, scribe, and slave,
but there within the river the sign was birth and grave.

Arising from the river he saw the heavens torn;
it seemed the sky so open revealed the Spirit's form.
The holy dove descended amid a glorious voice:
"You are my own beloved, my child, my heart, my choice."

We too have found a roadway; it led us to this place.
We all have had to travel in search of hope and grace.
But now beside this water again a voice is heard.
"You are my own, my chosen, beloved of your Lord."

Congregational Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Sending

Hymn

Take Me to the Water

TAKE ME TO THE WATER

Take me to the water to be baptized. . . .
I love Jesus, yes, I do. . . .
He's my Savior, yes, he is. . . .
Glory hallelujah to be baptized. . . .

Benediction

Worship Leadership:

The Reverend Dr. Nita Crump, Senior Pastor
Katie Trotter, Camilla Packroff, Beautiful Sheriff, Lyman Hinson, Caleb Esmond, and Sam McDaniel
Tom Granum, Director of Music Ministries
Steve Moretti and Davis Perkins, Production and Editing

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