

SERVING YOU TODAY

The Rev. Andrew Krpata
The Rev. Nancy M. Ludwig
Ruth Kuchinsky-Smith, Director of Music
Charlie de Mets, Organist
Lectors – Dick Rapson, 8:15; Ralph Swanson, 11:00
Greeters – Belle Sheedy, 8:15;
Carol Bixby, 9:30; Beverly & Bill Felix, 11:00
Head Usher: Al Zollers
Ushers: Lyn Matthews, Dick Rapson, Kirk Hollerbach, 8:15
Josh Meyer, Gloria Inlander, Mike Kearns, Dick Schroeder, 11:00
Sound & Video: Brad Beck, Ed Travis, Kris Borcheck, Rudi Cieri

OUR PASTORS & STAFF

The Rev. Andrew Krpata – Senior Pastor
The Rev Nancy M. Ludwig – Assoc. Pastor
The Rev. Lilian L. Cotto – Pastor of Latino Ministries
Ruth Kuchinsky-Smith – Director of Music
Charlie de Mets – Organist
Dan Munyoki – CC Worship Leader
Deborah Gwynn – Business Manager
Karen Douglass – Parish Nurse
Lisa Lang – Administrative Assistant
Diane Lenzinski – Church Secretary
Brad Beck – Technical Director
Brad Beck – Youth Coordinator
John DeSantis – Sexton
Karl Smith – Communications Mgr.

Mark & Deirdre Zimmerman – Missionaries (Nepal)

OUR PRESCHOOL STAFF

Phyllis Morocco – Director & Teacher
Kathie Beck – Asst. Dir. & Teacher
Joanne Tompkins - Teacher
Julie Brown – Teacher
Kate Kirsch - Teacher
Amy Reinheimer, Laura Hunsicker,
Jamie Enge, Kate Kirsch, Ami Kirn
Teacher Assistants

OUR NURSERY STAFF

Danielle Cole – Nursery Coordinator
Samantha Ford – Nursery Assistant

Our Nursery is located on the lower level of the building in Rm. B3 and is available during our 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services. The nursery serves children ages 3 months – 4 years old.



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8:15 a.m.

January 12, 2020

11:00 a.m.

**Denotes standing, for those comfortable and able. We encourage sitting during the hymns for those who have difficulty standing for longer periods of time.*

PRELUDE

Cantus Firmus in Discanto
Charlie de Mets, Organist

Valten Schumann

PASTOR'S WELCOME AND *GREETING

Pastor Andy Krpata

Lehman Memorial UMC warmly welcomes you to worship today! As you are comfortable, please consider filling out the attendance pads so we might offer follow-up hospitality. Also, please consider filling out the yellow prayer cards and place them in the offering so the prayer team may continue to faithfully do its work. Thank you!

*CHIMES

The chiming of the Trinity calls us to focus our attention on the worship of God.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Nancy Ludwig

Pastor: God is with us always and calls us each by name.

People: When we pass through difficulties and stress,

Pastor: God is with us and calls us by name.

People: When we are discouraged and feel lost and alone,

Pastor: God is with us and calls us by name, and heals us.

People: Let us worship God who knows us and calls us by name!

***OPENING PRAYER AND CONFESSION**

Calling God, today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. We confess that we have not always paid much attention to what this means for us. Yet you have called us by name, knowing each of us, and loving us. We know that we have not always behaved in very loving ways. Forgive us for our blindness. Turn us around. Help us to be people who not only recognize the light, but who are willing to live in that light, bringing help to others in your name. For we pray this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN:** *Jesus Shall Reign (vs. 1,2,3,5)* Hymnal No. 157

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Dick Rapson, 8:15; Ralph Swanson, 11:00

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 42:1-9 Pew Bible (OT) pg. 58

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: (11:00) *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* Lamberton
Sanctuary Choir, Ruth Kuchinsky-Smith, Director

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 3:13-17 Pew Bible (NT) pg. 3

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *"Who Tells You/Us Who You/We Are?"* Pastor Andy Krpata

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL VOWS Please see insert

***HYMN** *For the Healing of the Nations* No. 428

OFFERINGS OF GRATITUDE

We invite you to fill out a prayer card and place it and your offering into the plates as they are passed.

OFFERTORY *Come Holy Ghost, Lord God* Teleman

***PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 94

***OFFERING PRAYER (together)**

Heavenly Father, we are poor unless you bless us. We are rich when we offer what we have. Receive not only our gifts but also ourselves, that we might experience the fullness of the blessing of our baptism and identification as children of God; not just for us, but for all who would come to the water. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER FOR THE COMMUNITY

Please know your prayer will be shared and noted on the weekly prayer page (available in the narthex) for two weeks. Please resubmit your prayer (on a yellow card) if necessary, after that time. Please also be cognizant of the sensitivity some have and the confidentiality some desire in regard to their concerns. Thank you!

THE LORD'S PRAYER No. 895

PRAYER RESPONSE (11:00) *Breath on Me (420)* Sanctuary Choir

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

***CLOSING HYMN** *In Christ There Is No East or West* No. 548

***PASTORAL BLESSING**

CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00) *Amen* Sanctuary Choir

POSTLUDE *Toccata* Flor Peeters

**We are dry and thirsty, O God.
Come, refresh us!**

Come upon us, Holy Spirit!
Come upon these waters.

Let these waters be to us drops of your mercy.
**Let these waters remind us of your
righteousness and justice.**

Let these waters renew in us the resurrection
power of Jesus.
Let these waters remind us of who we are.

Most Holy God, Abba, Father!
Glory to you!

Jesus Christ, Savior, Lord!
Glory to you!

Spirit of fire, Spirit over the waters, Spirit of
holiness!
Glory to you!

Eternal God, One in Three and Three in One!
All glory is yours, now and forever. Amen!

All are invited to come to the font and place their
fingers/hands in the water as a reminder of their baptism.
Those who are not baptized are also welcome forward to
do the same, acknowledging that this is not baptism, but
a wonderful way to prepare to experience their own
baptism at the right time. If you are moved by the Holy
Spirit to do so, please come forward!

New Service of Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

Sisters and brothers in Christ:
through the sacrament of baptism
God's Spirit has been poured out upon
water,
water poured over and immersing us,
water that flows freely for all who will receive it,
water from the streams of God's saving power
and justice,
water that brings hope to all who thirst for
righteousness,
water that refreshes life, nurtures growth, and
offers new birth.

Today we come to the waters,
to renew our commitments
in each other's presence
to Christ who has raised us,
the Spirit who has birthed us,
and the Creator who is making all things new.

And so I ask you, will you turn away from the
powers of sin and death?

**We renounce the spiritual forces of
wickedness,
Reject the evil powers of this world,
And repent of our sin!**

Will you let the Spirit use you as prophets to the powers that be?

**We accept the freedom and power God gives us to resist evil, injustice, and oppression
In whatever forms they present themselves!**

Will you proclaim the good news and live as disciples of Jesus Christ, his body on earth?

**We confess Jesus Christ as our Savior,
put our whole trust in his grace,
and promise to serve him as our Lord,
in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races!**

Will you be living witnesses to the gospel, individually and together, wherever you are, and in all that you do?

**We will remain faithful members of Christ's holy church
And serve as Christ's representatives in the world.**

Will you receive and profess the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

**We affirm and teach the faith of the whole church
as we put our trust
in God, the Father Almighty.
in Jesus Christ, his only Son.
and in the Holy Spirit,
one God now and forever.**

The Spirit of the Lord is with us.
Even so, come Lord Jesus!
Let us pray:

Almighty God, the life you birthed in us by baptism into Jesus Christ will never die.
Your justice never fails.
Your mercy is everlasting.

**Your healing river flows.
Your Spirit blows where you will.
We cannot stop you, God!**

But sometimes we try.
We try to block the flow,
we redirect the winds of the Spirit,
or we walk so far away from the life-giving Stream
that we do not hear its sound,
and we forget its power.
We parch ourselves.