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**January 12, 2020**

**Baptism of the Lord**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE:** Mary Gugler, Music Director

**\*INTROIT: "Sweet Sweet Spirit"**

**\* REPEAT INTROIT ANNOUNCEMENTS/VISITORS/FAMILIES OF THE WEEK/BIRTHDAYS:** Many happy returns on the day of your birth  
May sunshine and gladness be given, and may the dear Father  
Prepare us on earth for a beautiful birthday in heaven.

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

**L:** Created in God's loving image,

**C:** we gather as the children of God.

**L:** Beloved by Christ, who loves us well,

**C:** we gather as the beloved body of Christ.

**L:** Blessed by the Spirit of God,

**C:** we gather in the power of the Holy Spirit.

### **\*OPENING PRAYER:**

Beloved God, we gather as your beloved community in the name of your beloved Son, Christ Jesus. Speak to us with your love and your grace. Part the clouds of our frantic, harried lives, that we may recognize your Spirit moving in our very midst. Speak, for your servants are listening. Amen.

**HYMN OF PRAISE: Page 189 “Fairest Lord Jesus”**

### **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried, the third day he rose from  
the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy  
catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

### **FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Psalm 29

Page 394 in pew Bible

Geneva Smith

**ANTHEM - “How Great Is Our God”**

### **SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS**

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **\*OFFERTORY**

### **\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

### **CHILDREN’S TIME**

### **\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**

**Page 175 “Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee”**

### **\*SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

### **WITNESS TO THE WORD**

### **\*HYMN OF RESPONSE**

**Page 420 “Breathe On Me, Breath of God”**

**BENEDICTION: Page 186 “Alleluia”**

\*Denotes please stand if you are able.

### **TODAY’S THEME**

Being chosen is a powerful theme, not just for today’s readings, but for all of life. God has chosen each of us for different purposes and different paths; we have been chosen from the moment God created us. Today is not just a day to celebrate Jesus’s baptism; this is a day to remember that we are all baptized, blessed, and called by God. We are all God’s beloved, and God is pleased when we recognize and respond to our creation and our call.

### **Prayers for our Families of the Week:**

Dixon and Elaine Chipley; Ed Clark; Leigh Clarke; Jane Middleton;  
Linwood and Clara Mills; Don and Kate Moreen;  
A J Spino and Michelle Rizza; Nancy West; Robert and Jean Wilson

**Please update your prayer requests. Share the good news of healings and update those in need.**

### **Our Ministry in Prayer:**

Prayers for our country, state and local leadership, areas of war,  
Disasters. Famine, unrest, the homeless, those who are searching.

### **Prayers for our Active Duty their families and friends:**

James Bartran II, USAF, Timothy Keen USA, Michael McClennon  
USMC  
Scott Moore USCG, Aerick Paxton, USAF David Plessinger, USA  
Andrew Manning, USMC

### **Prayers for our EMS, Fire Departments, First Responders, Teachers**

### **Membership and Budget**

Membership	185
Attendance last Sunday	66
Monthly Budget	\$12,290.75
Monthly Total	\$2879.00
Offering last Sunday	\$2879.00

### **Future Scripture Readers and Greeters**

January 12 <sup>th</sup>	Geneva Smith	Psalm 29
January 19 <sup>th</sup>	Valerie Ruch	Psalm 40:1-11
January 26 <sup>th</sup>	Kay Powell	Psalm 27:1, 4-9

We are always looking for volunteers to be readers and greeters. This is a great opportunity to get to meet and greet your church Family as they enter the door, and to get an opportunity to read God's Word to the church. We ask that on the Sunday you are to greet and read, that you be at church at 8:45, so that you can say "Good Morning" to everyone as they enter the building. Wear your best smile and welcome your neighbors!!

### **Sunday Snacks**

January 12 <sup>th</sup>	Jan Thrasher
January 19 <sup>th</sup>	Carole Marshall
January 26 <sup>th</sup>	Birthday cake and covered dish

*There is always coffee and snacks in the social hall after worship service.. Please come and join us!!*

### **LECTIONARY TEXT FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

### **CHURCH DIRECTORY**

Our church directory is being updated. If you have changes that need to be made or need to be included, please contact Annette Jones.

## This Week at PUMC

Sunday	Worship	9:15am
	Adult Sunday School	10:45am
Monday	Golf at Tanglewood	9:30am
Tuesday	Hand Bell practice	5:00pm
	Choir practice	6:30pm
Wednesday	Bible Study (French's House)	7:00pm
	Al-Anon meeting	7:00pm
	Quilting Group	9:00am
	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays	
	Woodcarving at Ron Seward's	6:00pm
Thursday	(Rev. Ken's day off)	
Friday	Exercise Classes in Social Hall	7:30 & 8:40am
	Walk with Ken at Golf Shop.	7:30 am
	Bible Study at Golf Shop	8:00am

## Monthly Events

1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Communion with Service	9:15am
1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday	WATCH Night	6:00pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	Journey Forward Grief Support at Dowling home	4:00pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday	(Every other month) Council Meeting	5:00pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	UMM	6:30pm
4 <sup>th</sup> Monday	UMW	10:00am
Last Sunday	Lunch and Birthday Cake in Social Hall After Service	

## Looking Ahead

Springtime Jubilee at Myrtle Beach, SC, April 27-29, 2020. Anyone interested in more information, please see Jan Thrasher.

## BUDGET FOR 2020

The yearly budget of 2020 will be **\$147,489.00**. That's **\$12,290.75** per month which is **\$220.75** more per month than last year. Please be in meaningful prayer about your stewardship for your church. Stewardship campaign begins January 2020.

If you are a friend of Prospect and would like to be included on the membership and friends list, please get in touch with Annette Jones, [cajones@buggs.net](mailto:cajones@buggs.net) or 434-636-2297. If you are interested in joining our fellowship please talk to Rev. Ken 434-955-0253. Annette Jones, Membership Secretary.

Our United Methodist Women and Men would like to invite you to consider joining them in a time of fellowship each month. The UMW and UMM are involved in many local and international mission projects. They are also a great opportunity to get to know some of the people who attend church at a much deeper level. Please pray about allowing God to use you to spread the gospel to the world.

**Stewardship is our commitment to God. It involves not only our tithe, it also involves our gifts, our talents, and our time. As God devotes His time to you, let us devote the time and talents to make disciples to truly transform the world. Please note the increase in our budget for 2020. Our budget has increased by \$220.75 per month.**

**Need Your Help!!** The food box/wagon in the front entrance is in need of filling. Please remember to bring your non-perishable food items for **Holly Haven**. Monetary donations are also welcomed and appreciated. Make checks payable to PUMC, Holly Haven in memo.

