

***Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH#94

***Offertory Prayer**

Everything we possess, O God, has been provided lovingly by you. You have named us and hold us dear to you as your precious children. Through your salvation, you created in us the compassion and love to give back a portion of our abundant blessings to share among others in your world. All we have is your; help us use it to do your will. Amen.

Holy Communion

Special Music by Glen Haselbarth

***Closing Hymn**

UMH#428

"For the Healing of the Nations"

Benediction

May the healing power of God's love open your eyes and ears so others may hear and see it reflected in you. Go where God sends you today and every day. Amen.

Postlude

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Vision for 2021:

Overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace,
as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit.
(Romans 15:13 NIV)

Order of Worship January 10, 2021 Baptism of the Lord

Prelude

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Welcome and Announcements

1. We are offering live-streaming worship on both Facebook and YouTube. Please put your name on either YouTube or Facebook and then we will know you are with us.
2. After the worship, we will be offering the drive-thru communion for 30 minutes.
3. Pastor Peter will be praying for you and your family through the whole year. Please send prayer requests for 2021 to the church office or Pastor Peter's email @peterchoiminden@gmail.com.
4. Our church leaders for 2021 will be recognized and blessed during the worship on January 17. After the worship Pastor Peter will share our church plans and goals for 2021.
5. Sunday School is Wednesdays after school until 5:00pm.
6. People 75 years of age and older can now register to get the Covid Vaccine. You can either go to the website www.trphd.org or call 1-888- 669-7154. If you need help registering please call the church or stop by, we are happy to assist.



***Call to Worship**

L: From the waters of Creation, the earth sprang forth.

P: From the waters of a womb, God's blessed Son was given to us.

L: From the waters of a river, people were baptized and marked as God's Children

P: Praise be to God, whose loving gifts and presence have called us together.

L: Let us shout our love to God for God's abundant love

P: AMEN.

***Opening Prayer**

God who watches over us, offering us light and hope, Be with us this day as we hear the story of Jesus' baptism. Help us to remember your healing, cleansing, and claiming love for us. Remind us again of the many ways in which you reach out to us. May the image of the waters be for us an image of hope. Bring us closer to you, loving God. Embrace us again with your love. We open our hearts to you this day. AMEN.

***Congregational Prayer**

***Opening Hymn**

UMH#64

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

Children's Time

Scriptures

Mike Boudreau

Genesis 1:1-5 (NIV)

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

Mark 1:4-11 (NIV)

And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. And this was his message: "After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message

"Baptism 101"

Pastor Peter Choi

Hymn

"Spirit of God"

TFWS#2117

Joys and Concerns

Prayer List: Gary Smidt (healing from Surgery), Phyllis Burnham's family for the loss of her brother, Christy (healing), Marjorie Hultquist (healing), Maxine Grams, and Lori Conyers's Parents (healing)
Happy Birthday to Carter Harsin, Loneta Nolan, Nikki Dornhoff, Laurain Tatum, Sharon Jorgensen, and Landon Yelken.

Pastoral Prayer