

DUBLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*⁸ I'm baptizing you here in the river, turning your old life in for a kingdom life.
His baptism - a holy baptism by the Holy Spirit - will change you from the inside out."*

Mark 1:8

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

THE LORD'S DAY

January 14, 2018

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"Down to the River/Shall We Gather at the River"

arr. Pepper Choplin

WELCOME AND RENEWAL OF THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: The voice of the Lord—Strong and Mighty, powerful and full of majesty.

People: It calls to us, calling across the water.

Liturgist: The voice of the Lord breaks forth.

People: It gives us strength and blessing,

Liturgist: The Spirit descends upon us.

People: We are cleansed and refreshed in Baptism.

Liturgist: Gratefully, rejoicing, we are made new.

All: Come, let us worship God together.

*OPENING HYMN

"Shall We Gather at the River"

#375

*(*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary, to stand.)*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Child brings water up front and pours it into the font.)

Liturgist: Let us confess our sins together before God and with one another.

People: Holy God, source of all that is good, we gather before you seeking your grace and love. Be present in our lives. Fill us with your light. Be generous with your love. Count us among your children. Be compassionate toward our mistakes. Forgive our failings. Be gracious with your power. Strengthen us for your service. We ask these things through the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON**

(Lifting water from the font or motioning toward it)

Pastor: Hear the good news: Anyone who is in Christ is of the New Creation. The old life is finished, gone. Behold, new life has begun.
Believe the Good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***People:* The waters of Baptism cleanse us; in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

***Gloria Patri**

#581

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Pastor: Since God has forgiven us through Jesus Christ our Lord,
let us forgive one another.
The peace of Christ be with you.

***People:* And also with you. (Please share this peace with those around you.)**

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

CHORAL ANTHEM

“River in Judea”

*L. Marcus & J. Feldman
Arr. John Leavitt*

CHILDREN & YOUTH MOMENT

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

***People:* We pray that You would open our eyes, our hearts and our minds as we read, study and hear Your Word this day. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 30:17-21

(Pew Bible, O.T., p. 74)

¹⁷The Lord spoke to Moses: ¹⁸You shall make a bronze basin with a bronze stand for washing. You shall put it between the tent of meeting and the altar, and you shall put water in it; ¹⁹with the water Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and their feet. ²⁰When they go into the tent of meeting, or when they come near the altar to minister, to make an offering by fire to the Lord, they shall wash with water, so that they may not die. ²¹They shall wash their hands and their feet, so that they may not die: it shall be a perpetual ordinance for them, for him and for his descendants throughout their generations.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

“Mark 1:4-11”
(The Message Bible)

(Pew Bible, N.T., p. 32)

⁴ John the Baptizer appeared in the wild, preaching a baptism of life-change that leads to forgiveness of sins. ⁵ People thronged to him from Judea and Jerusalem and, as they confessed their sins, were baptized by him in the Jordan River into a changed life. ⁶ John wore a camel-hair habit, tied at the waist with a leather belt. He ate locusts and wild field honey. ⁷As he preached he said, "The real action comes next: The star in this drama, to whom I'm a mere stagehand, will change your life. ⁸ I'm baptizing you here in the river, turning your old life in for a kingdom life. His baptism - a holy baptism by the Holy Spirit - will change you from the inside out." ⁹ At this time, Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ The moment he came out of the water, he saw the sky split open and God's Spirit, looking like a dove, come down on him. ¹¹ Along with the Spirit, a voice: "You are my Son, chosen and marked by my love, pride of my life."

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Taking It Public" Peggy J. Holcomb, CRE
CHORAL ANTHEM "The Baptism of Jesus" *arr. Austin C. Lovelace*

CONCERNS AND JOYS OF THE CHURCH/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Deep River"
(Solo: Andrew LeVan)

arr. Moses Hogan

Communion Prayer

RESPONDING TO GOD

OFFERING

Call to Offering
Offertory Music

"By the River Jordan"

Charles E. Overbolt

Doxology

#606

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

People: God of grace God of glory, you call us with your voice of flame to be your people, faithful and courageous. As your beloved Son embraced his mission in the waters of baptism, inspire us with the fire of your Spirit to join in his transforming work. Please accept the gifts of our life to continue doing your will. Amen

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*CLOSING HYMN ☩

"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"

#486
(vs. 1 & 4)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Go Ye in Peace"

Stephen Otis

Please stay to enjoy a time of fellowship following the service of worship.