

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP

11:00 am

Baptism of the Lord

Liturgical Color: White

### Preparation for Worship and Announcements

Dr. Mary Lynn Polk, Lay Leader

***Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore his sacred name.***

### Chiming of the Hour

*In silence and reverence, let us prepare our hearts for worship.*

### Prelude

*Holy Spirit, Truth Divine*

David Hegarty

### Chiming of the Trinity

#### \*Call to Worship

Dr. Mary Lynn Polk

Leader: The powerful voice of God created all worlds. That same voice calls us to worship.

**People: Ascribe to our God glory and strength. Come before God's glorious majesty.**

Leader: God's strength shakes the wilderness. That same strength is offered to people of faith.

**People: The flames of God penetrate our cold hearts. May God bless all people with true peace.**

Leader: Come together to remember your baptism. Gather to celebrate the Spirit's gifts.

**People: The heavens open to us at the Word of God. Surely God forgives and makes us whole.**

#### \*Hymn No. 147

*All Things Bright and Beautiful*

Royal Oak

### Invocation

The Reverend James D. Dennis, Jr.

**In the beginning, O God, you fashioned a universe. Each star and planet had its beginning in you. Out of the void, you brought light and life. Through eons of creativity, you have acted, and today we are here, inheritors of an amazing process, tiny specks in the limitless reaches of time and space. And you are here, waiting to greet us. As you acted in our baptism, you are acting still to make all things new within us and among us. Let your light awaken us and your Spirit empower us for faithful living. Amen.**

### Old Testament Reading

Genesis 1:1-5

Page 5 (OT) in pew Bibles

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Psalter No. 761

Psalm 29

### Epistle Reading

Acts 19:1-7

Page 169 (NT) in pew Bibles

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Anthem

*Offertory*

John Ness Beck

*With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, shall I come before Him with yearling calves? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give him my first born for my transgressions, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has shown you, O man; He has shown you what is good. And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?*

**Pastoral Prayer** (*You are invited to the altar for personal prayer time.*)

**Lord's Prayer** (In Unison)

**Offering**

**Offertory**

*Spirit Song*

setting by John Carter

**\*Doxology No. 94**

*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Children's Time**

Jessica Morris

*All children are invited to the front of the Sanctuary for a special message. Following Children's Time, 3-year-olds through Kindergarteners may leave the Sanctuary for Extended Session.*

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**\*Hymn No. 145**

*Morning Has Broken*

Bunessan

**\*Affirmation of Faith No. 881**

**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.**

**\*Gloria Patri No. 70**

***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.***

**\*†Gospel Lesson**

Mark 1:4-11

Page 42 (NT) in pew Bibles

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

“Remember the Duck”

The Reverend James D. Dennis, Jr.

**\*Hymn No. 500**

*Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*

Morecambe

**\*Benediction**

The Reverend James D. Dennis, Jr.

**\*Benediction Response No. 666**

*Shalom to You*

SHALOM

***Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends. In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.***

**\*Postlude**

†Sermon Text

**\*Please stand if you are able**

*Nursery Provided*