

# Order of Worship

## BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

10:00 am – January 10, 2021

### *Watching Live?*

*Text your prayer requests to 805-309-6867 before the end of the first hymn.*

#### PRELUDE

*Shall We Gather at the River*  
Tyler Carlisle, organ

by Dale Wood

#### WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### HYMN

*Shall We Gather at the River*  
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1. Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,  
with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

*Refrain:* Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;  
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

2. On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,  
we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. *Refrain*

3. Ere we reach the shining river, lay we every burden down;  
grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. *Refrain*

4. Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease;  
soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. *Refrain*

#### OPENING PRAYER

**Loving Father, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit, and revealed him as your dear Son. Thank you for making us your children by water and the Spirit. As we have received Christ's body and blood in this sacrament, keep us faithful to you throughout our lives. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**  
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#### HYMN

*I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry*

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1. I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

2. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

3. When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;  
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.

4. If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk 'till rising sun.

5. In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,  
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.

6. When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes,  
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.

7. I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*A Lute Carol*  
Dianna Burdick, vocalist; Tyler Carlisle, piano

by Mary Caldwell

## SCRIPTURE

*Mark 1: 4-11(NRSV)*  
The Word of God, for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Lonnie Cavane

## MESSAGE

Will you join me in prayer: **I am no longer my own, but yours. Put me to what you will, place me with whom you will. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be put to work for you or set aside for you, Praised for you or criticized for you. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and fully surrender all things to your glory and service. And now, O wonderful and holy God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, you are mine, and I am yours. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, Let it also be made in heaven. Amen.**

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**God of restoration and renewal: in gratitude for the gift of our baptism, we offer these gifts to you. Bless our offering, so that it may be used to better the lives of those in need of your grace. May our gifts, however great or small, be blessed and filled with your love. Amen.**

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## HYMN

*Down by the Jordan*

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1. Down by the Jordan, a prophet named John was baptizing,  
Preaching a message the people found bold and surprising:  
"God will forgive! Show that you'll change how you live! Surely God's new day is rising!"
2. There by the river, the crowd came with great expectation:  
"Are you God's Chosen One, sent here to rescue our nation?"  
"No!" John replied. "He who is mightier than I Judges and offers salvation."
3. Jesus, you went to be baptized along with the others,  
Taking your place among sinners, God's lost sons and daughters.  
Then with great love, God's Spirit came as a dove! Your work began in those waters.
4. Here in the Church, we are baptized and filled with God's Spirit.  
Freed and forgiven, we're welcomed with joy! Can you hear it?  
This is God's sign! This is how God says, "You're mine!" Let's take the good news and share it!

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*As I Went Down to the River to Pray*  
adapted for organ by Tyler Carlisle

arr. Robert Lee

## *Prayer Requests*

Pasadena First UMC — Pastors Sandy Olewine, Greg Norton, and Deborah Shepherd-Webster

Ventura: College Campus Ministries—Pastors Matt & Erin McPhee

Larry Schrock, Kym, and all who are suffering from Covid-19

John, Rhett, and all who are recovering from surgery

Family of Madelyn Rose, who passed away on 1/5, and all who are grieving the death of a loved one