



# Prince of Peace Church

## 1st Sunday After the Epiphany - Jan 12

### The Baptism & Anointing of Jesus

*Blessed Lord, who caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:  
Grant us so to **hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest** them, that by patience and the  
comfort of your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting  
life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and  
the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

**Scriptures for Reference** - Luke 3:15-22; Luke 4:1-13

#### **Questions for Discussion**

1. Have you ever asked yourself, "Who am I?" or "What am I supposed to do with my life?"  
How do you typically approach answering those questions? Do you think Jesus, as a fully human being, ever wrestled with these questions? Why or why not?
2. How does the Father's declaration at Jesus' baptism—"You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased"—speak to Jesus' identity and relationship with God the Father?
3. In what ways did Satan's temptations challenge Jesus' understanding of His role and relationship with the Father? How are Satan's temptations—seeking to prove oneself, seeking affirmation from the wrong source, or seeking an easier path—relevant to our own struggles with identity and purpose?
4. What can we learn from Jesus' refusal to find His worth or mission in anything outside of the Father's will? How does Jesus' faithfulness to His role and relationship with the Father open the door for us to find our true identity in God?
5. How can we pray for a deeper understanding of our identity in Christ and our relationship with the Father?
6. What steps can we take this week to resist defining ourselves by worldly roles or relationships and instead focus on our identity in Christ?