

# A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

## *The Baptism of the Lord*

January 12, 2020

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

\*All who are able may stand.

**Bold type spoken by the congregation**

### GATHERING. . .

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

The Call To Worship

O God, some of us are discouraged and long for Your embrace.

**Wash us with Your love.**

Some of us are weary, weighed down by the desperation of this world.

**Wash us with Your hope.**

Some of us are anxious and seek refuge from chaotic lives.

**Wash us with Your peace.**

Some of us are restless, yearning for renewal for transformation.

**Wash us with Your grace.**

However we come into Your presence, pour out Your Spirit upon us.

**Let us come to the waters of baptism.**

The Prayer of Adoration

**O God of all power and majesty, You created the heavens and stretched them out. You spread forth the earth and what comes from it. You give breath to the people and spirit to those who walk on the face of the earth. You are our Lord: glory is due Your Name. The former things have come to pass; we now await the new things You shall bring forth. We do indeed cry “Glory!” as we gather to worship Your Name. Thanks be to You the One Eternal God – Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. Amen.**

\*The Hymn 409

*God Is Here!*

\*The Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

God loves us enough to accept us as we are.

**God loves us too much to leave us as we are.**

We believe the Good News of the Gospel:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia. Amen.**

\*The Gloria Patri

p. 581 in the Hymnal

\*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**

(Please exchange this ancient greeting with worshipers seated near you.

Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ.)

### TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: *Isaiah 42:1-9*

p. 820 in the pew Bible

The Psalter Lesson: *Psalms 29*

p. 621 in the pew Bible

The Anthem

*On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand*

Dale Grotenhuis

*On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye to Canaan's fair  
and happy land, where my possessions lie.*

*I'm bound for the promised land, I'm bound for the promised land;  
O who will come and go with me? I'm bound for the promised land.*

*All o'er those wide extended plains shines one eternal day;*

*There God the son forever reigns and scatters night away.*

*No chilling breath can reach that shore;*

*And sorrow, death, are felt and feared no more.*

*When I shall reach that happy place, I'll be forever blest,  
for I shall see my Father's face, and in His bosom rest.*

*I'm bound for the promised land, I'm bound for the promised land;*

*O who will come and go with me? I'm bound for the promised land.*

The New Testament Lesson: *Acts 10:34-43*

p. 157 in the pew Bible

A Moment With the Children

\*The Hymn 318

*In Christ There Is No East or West*

The Gospel Lesson: *Matthew 3:13-17*

p. 3 in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion Meditation

*Beloved*

Allen H. Fisher, Jr.

### TO RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD. . .

\*The *Nicene Creed*

p. 34 in the Hymnal

The Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession and Dedication

The Service of Offering  
The Gathering of Our Gifts  
The Offertory

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TO CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT. . .

\*The Hymn of Preparation 494     *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*

The Invitation

The Call To Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise. . .**

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

. . . who forever sing to the glory of Your Name:  
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of Power and Might,**  
**heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**  
**Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the Lord.**  
**Hosanna in the Highest.**  
. . . Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again . . .**

The Lord's Prayer

p. 35 in the Hymnal

The Communion

(Worshippers may take the bread and the cup as they are offered,  
following their own quiet moments of preparation. Communion bread is gluten-free)

The Prayer After Communion

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE IN GOD'S NAME. . .

\*The Hymn 543     *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me*

\*The Charge & Benediction

\*The Postlude



The Rev. Allen H. Fisher, Jr., *Pastor*  
The Rev. Brittany Tamminga, *Associate Pastor*  
Mary Ann & Larry Casey, *Choirmasters*  
Amy L. Shirk, *Organist*

## MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES 1/12-19

### Today (1/12)

Worship Services, <i>S</i>	8:30 & 11am
Church School	9:45am
Youth Fellowship (no Dinner), <i>FH</i>	12:15pm
Sacred Dance, <i>U</i>	5pm
Cantate, <i>UCR</i>	5pm
Session, <i>MH</i>	7pm

### Monday (1/13)

Newsletter Items for February Newsletter Due	
PW Faith Circle, <i>CP</i>	1pm

### Tuesday (1/14)

Men's Breakfast, <i>Bob Evans</i>	7:30am
PW Friendship Circle, <i>Chancellor's Village</i>	10:30am
Stewardship Committee, <i>CF</i>	7pm
CE Committee, <i>MH</i>	7pm

### Wednesday (1/15)

Meditation, <i>CP</i>	6:30pm
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### Thursday (1/16)

Women's Bible Study, <i>MH</i>	9:30am
Handbells, <i>S</i>	6pm
Adult Choir, <i>CR</i>	7:30pm

### Saturday (1/18)

Micah Breakfast, <i>FH</i>	6:30am
Community Dinner, <i>FH</i>	2pm

### Sunday (1/19)

Worship Services, <i>S</i>	8:30 & 11am
Church School	9:45am
Fellowship Committee, <i>CF</i>	12:15pm
Empty Nesters, <i>6 Bears &amp; a Goat*</i>	12:30pm
Sacred Dance, <i>U</i>	1:30pm
Cantate, <i>UCR</i>	5pm
Youth Fellowship & Dinner, <i>FH</i>	6pm

#### Location Key:

<i>CP</i> : Church Parlor	<i>MH</i> : Middle House
<i>S</i> : Sanctuary	<i>CH</i> : Church House
<i>EB</i> : Education Building	<i>CF</i> : Conference Room
<i>U</i> : Undercroft	<i>FH</i> : Fellowship Hall
<i>UCR</i> : Choir Room in Ed. Building	<i>CR</i> : Choir Room
<i>L</i> : Library	<i>EBL</i> : Ed. Building Lobby

\*See announcement for details

## Birthdays this Week

### January

12. Mike Foreman, Ginger Oplinger
13. Pete Kolakowski, Mia Rawlings
14. Maxine Gloyd, Gary Scheibel
15. Anne Betz, Kristina Brough, Lou Cralle, Duane Hansen, Oliver Morris, Linda Spangler, Neil Sullivan
16. John Baer, Susan Harrison
17. Erica Foreman, Drew Rexrode, Jane Williams
19. Missy Dodson, CJ Forsing, David Godshall, Lee Woolf

Hospital Visitor 1/12-18

Doris Johnson, 218-590-5115

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

8:30 and 11:00 am

### We are delighted to have visitors worship with us!

To aid you in our liturgy, we want to acquaint you with our following custom: In the *Lord's Prayer*, we use the words, "*Forgive us our debts... our debtors.*"

We encourage you to stand for singing, if you are able, as the organ sounds the first note of introduction. When appropriate to the hymn, the organist and choir will lead the congregation in singing "*Amen.*"

**Assistive listening devices** (amplified earphones and Telecoil neckloops), and **large-print bulletins** are available from the ushers.

**Child care** is provided in the Education Building for infants through 4-year-olds.

**All worshipers** are encouraged to sign the Attendance/Friendship pad, greet your friends, and welcome visitors.

**The flowers today** are given by Paul and Debbie Leimer to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the blessings of family; in memory of Peggy Brower, Helen & Kenneth Leimer; and in honor of Gene Brower, their children and grandchildren.

**Capsule of Concern:** Billie Plank, John Walker

### Lectionary readings for next Sunday, January 19:

Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11;  
I Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

### Service Attendants

*Liturgist*  
Karen Johnson

**8:30 AM**  
*Sanctuary Guild*  
Linda Spratt

*Greeters*  
Mike & Patty O'Brien, Steve & Susie Davis

*Ushers*  
Lamoine Knefelkamp, Mary Raye Cox, Jean Ravinsky, Mike Gibson

*Elevator Assistant*  
Milton McNatt

**11:00 AM**  
*Sanctuary Guild*  
Doreen Vaughn

*Greeters*  
Scott & Kim Fischer, Coy Franklin

*Ushers*  
James & Marsha Luckett, Joel & Julie Young

*Elevator Assistant*  
Gary Vaughn

*Nursery Attendants*  
**8:30 & 11:00 services**  
Ashley Raska, Gillian Harvey, Denise Hamilton, Betsy & Eva Lewis

Recordings of previous sermons are available at:

[fredericksburgpc.org/podcast/rss.html](http://fredericksburgpc.org/podcast/rss.html)

or scan this with your QR code reader app.



**No Youth Fellowship TONIGHT:** Come, join us for an afternoon of food, fellowship, and the fun of planning Youth Sunday. Middle School students will have a special role in Youth Sunday this year, but the best way to be involved is to be part of the planning process from 12:15-3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. No Youth supper. NEXT WEEK: A special guest will lead us in making scarves for our sisters and brothers who frequent the Cold Night Shelter. Come, lend a hand!

The **2020 Confirmation Journey** first class will be January 19, during the Church School hour in the Middle House, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. On February 2, Explorers and Mentors will join the congregation for the Rise Against Hunger event. Our *Explorers* and Mentors pairs are as follows: *Kaileen Coffman* - Amy Ellis; *Avery Foresman* - Brian Raska; *Cameron Sidebotham* - Steve Davis; *Andrew Spinnanger* - Don Nance; *Charlotte Young* - Amy Talmadge. Please pray for these young people and the adults and families who have partnered with them on this journey.

Pastor Taminga will lead an overview of the **Presbyterian Women Horizon's Bible Study**, *Love Carved in Stone*, on Sunday, January 26, at 12:15 p.m in the Conference Room. All PW leaders and members are welcome to attend.

**Empty Nesters**, please join us for **lunch at 6 Bears and a Goat Brewing Co.** (1140 International Parkway), on January 19, at 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$25 per person which includes a buffet meal, a pint of beer or a glass of wine plus tax and gratuity. A tour of the brewery will be available after lunch for those who are interested. Contact Karen Johnson, [ksjohnson422@msn.com](mailto:ksjohnson422@msn.com), 540-621-5685 by January 8, if you would like to attend. Payment can be given to Karen ahead of time or on January 19.

On Wednesday, February 12, **Prime Timers** will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. at Ristorante Renato, 422 William St., order from the lunch menu and have separate checks. Parking is available in the lot adjacent to the restaurant. Please call Mary Lowman, 540-710-4941, or Sue Moorefield, 540-899-7772, by February 9 for reservations.

We need brownies for the **February 15 Community Dinner**. If you would like to help out, please contact Katie Fidler ([katie@fidlnet.com](mailto:katie@fidlnet.com)) by February 10, with the quantity you'll bring. The brownies may be brought to the Fellowship Hall Kitchen on Friday morning before noon or from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. on that Saturday.

There is a date change for the **Know Your Neighbor gathering**. We will gather on **Sunday, January 26**, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Friends and neighbors from Islamic Center of Fredericksburg and Beth Shalom Temple will join us for indoor games, fellowship, fun, and FOOD! Please bring a favorite snack to share, keeping in mind the dietary practices of our Muslim and Jewish guests (ie – no bacon). This is an all-ages event and all are welcome – whether this is your first KYN gathering or your fifth. For questions or for more information, please contact Jen Rowe ([jenrowe@cox.net](mailto:jenrowe@cox.net)).

The **congregation** may help support the **Cold Night Shelter** by donating socks, long underwear, gloves, t-shirts, and new/gently used pillow cases. Bring items to the church and place them in the bins outside the Sanctuary or in the Lobby. Please pray for the shelter and the guests.

Mark your calendar for our annual **Rise Against Hunger meal packing event** on Sunday, February 2. Following worship, led by our youth, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall to pack 20,000 meals. Come join the fun and look for the sign-up table outside the Sanctuary.

On Sunday, February 2, we will have the **Souper Bowl offering**. The offering will assist in the cost of the Rise Against Hunger meals, which are 29-cents per meal. The Souper Bowl offering was started by a Presbyterian youth director in South Carolina over 25 years ago on Super Bowl Sunday.

The Presbyterian Church is proud to sponsor our next **blood drive** with the American Red Cross on Tuesday, January 28, from 1:00-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All you need to do to be a part of this lifesaving mission is book your appointment and roll up your sleeve. You can register by filling out the signup sheet that will be located on the table the Fellowship Hall every Sunday in January or online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). Search for the event by using the sponsor code: "FredericksburgPresbyterian." Don't forget to encourage your family members, friends, and co-workers to join you.

**School Dressing Days** - Our church has been asked to donate new and gently used hoodies, tennis shoes of all sizes for boys and girls, flats for teenage girls, and 3-ring binder notebooks. You may bring items to the church and place them in the bins outside the Sanctuary or in the Education building Lobby. Monetary donations are also welcomed.

The **Campus Christian Community** is conducting a search for an Operations Assistant. This part-time position will require 15 hours a week and will have a focus on business and facility management. Interested parties should submit cover letter, resume, and names of three references by January 20, to Susie Kuliasha (Chair, Personnel Committee, CCC) at [kuliashajs@outlook.com](mailto:kuliashajs@outlook.com). For more information about this position contact Susie.

Please pick your **annual giving envelopes** in the Lobby of the Education Building. If you haven't used envelopes in previous years, there may not be a set prepared for you. Please know that we encourage people to use them. Envelopes help the counting teams with efficiency and accuracy each week. We have extra envelopes, so if you would like to begin using them, email Casey at [cnaatjes@fredericksburgpc.org](mailto:cnaatjes@fredericksburgpc.org).

Session has called a **meeting of the congregation** for Sunday, January 26, beginning with the 11:00 a.m. service of worship. The purpose of the meeting is to elect members of the Congregational Nominating Committee for 2020, and to vote on proposed changes in pastors' terms of call.