

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
Baptism of the Lord

January 11, 2015

10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music: Hymnal 34 and Psalm response
Concerns of the Church
Prelude "Wade in the Water" Utterback

Call to Worship

Sing, and bless God's name;

tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.

Proclaim God's glory to the nations,

God's marvelous deeds to all peoples.

* Hymn 482 "Baptized in Water"

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

God of all glory,

you look from heaven and see us as we are -

not worthy to kneel at your feet,

not ready to welcome your way.

Forgive us, gracious God.

***In Christ, stoop down to save us; loosen the ties that bind us to sin
and set us free to love and serve you; in Jesus' name.***

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

* Glory to God (Hymnal 583)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-5 (OT, p. 1)

Psalter: Psalm 29

Response: The Lord will bless His people with peace.

A Time with Children

Solo

"Walk Along Beside Me, O My Lord"

Don Besig

Our young children are invited to attend "Joyful Noise" in room 103.

Second Lesson: Mark 1:4-11 (NT, p. 34)

Sermon: "Life Begins in the Water"

Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 484 "Out of Deep, Unordered Water"

* Reaffirmation of Baptismal Covenant (Hymnal, p. 21)

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

"Give Me Jesus"

Utterback

* Doxology (PH 592)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 490 "Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters"

Joyful Noise! participants will return to the sanctuary.

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude

"March"

Anon.

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning have been given to the glory of God in honor of Katie Carter and in celebration of her birthday by her family.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	William Carter
Directory of Educational Ministries	Tina Ide
Director of Music	Susan Kelly
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Meg Hatch
Welcomers	Ann Chamberlin
Ushers	Betty Keen, John Conklin

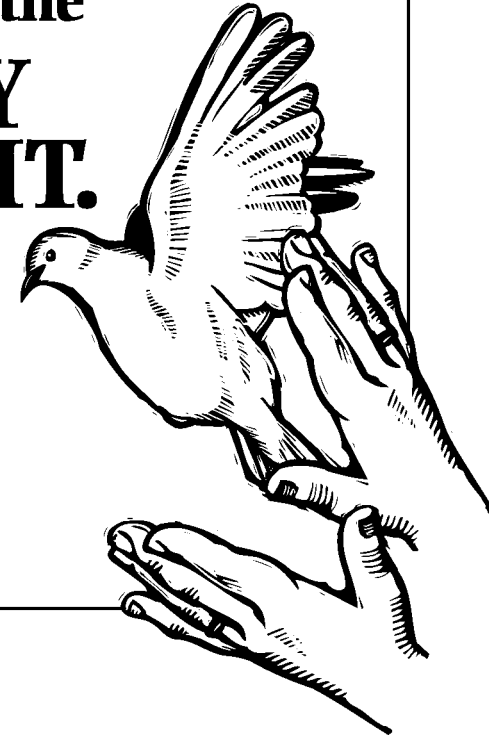


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**I have baptized you
with **WATER;**
but he
will baptize you
with the
**HOLY
SPIRIT.****

Mark 1:8



Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Mark 1:4-11

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."