



Baptism of the Lord

**Baptism of our Lord
Rev. Dr. Barbara Booth-Jarmon
January 11, 2026
9:30am**

*Gathering of the People***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist: The voice of the Lord is over the waters.

People: **The God of glory thunders; the Lord is over mighty waters.**

Liturgist: In baptism, God calls us beloved.

People: **Let us worship the Lord in holy splendor.**

***GATHERING SONGS**

"Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing" John Wyeth, Robert Robinson and Jeff Redd

"Baptized In Water" # 465

CALL TO CONFESSION

In the waters of baptism, God names us beloved. Yet we confess that we do not always live as those claimed by grace. Trusting in God's mercy and love, let us confess our sin together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and gracious God, you created the earth and called it good, yet we confess that we have not cared for your world as you intend. We have polluted what you made to flourish, ignored cries of pain from creation and neighbor alike, and lived as though our choices carried no cost. You call us your beloved children, but we forget who we are and whose we are. We turn inward, seek our own comfort, and resist the transforming waters of your grace.

Silent Confession

Forgive us, O God. Wash us clean, renew our spirits, and lead us to live as people shaped by your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON***GLORIA PATRI**

Hymn #813

*The Word***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

In the waters of baptism, God gives us a new identity and a new calling. Everything we have is a gift from the One who names us beloved. With gratitude and trust, let us offer ourselves and our resources to God, so that the world may know healing, hope, and new life. In Christ, Amen.

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 24:1-9

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Matthew 3:13-17

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SERMON

"Claimed by Love"

Pastor Barbara

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

Responding to the Word

"Spirit of the Living God"

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

**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
Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, dead, and buried;**

**He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he
ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
everlasting.**

Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

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OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Gracious God, the earth and all that is in it belong to you. You call us your
beloved and entrust us with the care of your world. Receive these gifts we
offer today—signs of our gratitude and trust. Use them to bring healing
where creation groans, hope where communities are weary, and justice
where life has been diminished. As you once spoke over Jesus in the waters
of baptism, speak again through the work of this church, that your love may
be made known and your glory revealed in all the earth.**

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***DOXOLOGY**

Sending

#815

***SENDING HYMN**

"This Is My Father's World"

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Announcements

Prayer Concerns - If you are worshiping with us online, please use the chat feature to type your prayers and we will include your concerns.

The Annual Congregational meeting will be held on January 25 following worship.

The Deacons invite you to join our church family for a **chili cook-off lunch** after the Congregational meeting on January 25. Please let us know you are coming by signing the sheet in the sanctuary or by calling the office!

Annual Reports: Committee and Team leaders, please email your reports this week. Please use Times New Roman font 12. No pdf's please.

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- \$11.26 for the General Assembly
- \$4.25 for the Synod of the Northeast
- \$28.49 for the Presbytery

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