

Order of Worship
January 08, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.
Baptism of the Lord

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Call to Worship: (responsively) (based on Psalm 29)

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, glory and strength.

People: Worship the LORD in holy splendor.

Leader: The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

People: The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

Leader: The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

People: The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;

Leader: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

All: May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

*Hymn: “Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing” # 356

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

Mighty and merciful God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not always lived up to that calling. We have been reluctant and timid disciples, not trusting your powerful presence and the strength of your Spirit among us. As you have chosen us and claimed us in our baptisms, strengthen us anew to choose Christ’s way in our lives and in this world. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us so that we may be provided with all the gifts of grace we need to fulfill our common calling to honor and serve our Lord Jesus Christ. In his holy name we pray. Amen.

Confession Response: **“Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.”** # 574

Assurance of Pardon

Greeting One Another

*Response “Gloria Patri” # 579

HEARING THE WORD

Let the Children Come

Choral Music

Scripture Reading: Matthew 3:13-17

Sermon: “Identity and Calling”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn: “Here I Am, Lord” # 525

Ordination and Installation of Elders

Statement of Ordination

Constitutional Questions to the Elders and Congregation

Prayer of Ordination and the Laying on of Hands

Welcoming by Gathered Elders and the Commission

Declaration of Ordination and a Charge to the Elders

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

*Doxology # 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn: “Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace” # 374

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response: “God be with you til we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you; with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you til we meet again.”