

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
JANUARY 7, 2018
“CHRIST’S BAPTISM MARKS A NEW JOURNEY”**

***PRESERVICE MUSIC* “Change My Heart Oh God”**

**Change my heart oh God
Make it ever true
Change my heart oh God
May I be like You**

**Change my heart oh God
Make it ever true
Change my heart oh God
May I be like You**

**You are the potter
I am the clay
Mold me and make me
This is what I pray**

**Change my heart oh God
Make it ever true
Change my heart oh God
May I be like You**

**Jesus Oh Jesus
Come and fill Your Lamb
Jesus Oh Jesus
Come and fill Your Lamb**

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“Jesus Loves Me”

**Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong.**

**Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.**

**Jesus loves me! Still today
Walking with me on my way
Wanting as a friend to give
Light and love to all who live**

**Jesus loves me! He will stay
Close beside me all the way
Thou has bled and died for me
I will henceforth live for thee**

**Jesus loves me! He who died
Heaven's gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin,
Let His little child come in.**

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WORSHIP THEME: Christ's Baptism Marks A New Journey" Mark 1:4-11

The baptism of our Lord Jesus is a beautiful reminder that He is fully God and fully man. The physical act of baptism with water by John was paired with the spiritual picture of the Holy Spirit descending upon the Son of Man and a voice from Heaven declaring the authority of Christ the Son. The baptism of our Lord marked the beginning of a new journey for mankind. It allowed us to also be baptized as Christ modeled, dying to sin and raising to new life in Him.

+ We Lift Our Hearts in Worship +

OPENING SONG....."Give Me Jesus"

**In the morning, when I rise
In the morning, when I rise
In the morning, when I rise
Give me Jesus**

**Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world
Just give me Jesus**

When I am alone
When I am alone
Oh when I am alone
Give me Jesus

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world
Just give me Jesus

When I come to die
When I come to die
Oh when I come to die
Give me Jesus

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world
Just give me Jesus

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus
You can have all this world
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You can have all this world
Just give me Jesus

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INVOCATION

Pastor: It's a new day! A new beginning is given us through Christ Jesus.
People: **A new beginning, indeed.**

Pastor: Thanks be to God!

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Heavenly Father, we are in awe of Your majestic plan for humanity. Your love for us abounds deeper than the ocean and Your grace heals the deepest wound. Through baptism, we experience unity with Your Son. The life You give is eternal and good just like Your plan. As we continue this journey with You, fill us with Your love and grace.

People: **In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Lord, when this earth was created, You called it good. But humanity sinned and what once was good was stained with death.

People: **But Jesus Christ brought us true life!**

Pastor: Through His powerful death and resurrection, the Son of God paved the way for us to be set free from sin and death.

People: **We died with Christ and therefore have also been resurrected into eternal life with Him.**

Pastor: We confess that although we are free from sin, we still fall short of the glory of God. We forget how good is the path of God.

People: **We confess and through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Sin has no hold on us!**

+ We Hear God's Word +

Genesis 1:1-5(ESV)(page 5 in bulletin)..... (on page 1 in NIV pew Bible)

Romans 6:1-11(ESV) (page 6 in bulletin) (on page 1754 in NIV pew Bible)

Mark 1:4-11(ESV)(page 7 in bulletin) (on page 1551 in NIV pew Bible)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen

SERMON SONG "Jesus, Only Jesus"

Who has the power to raise the dead?

Who can save us from our sin?

He is our hope, our righteousness

Jesus, only Jesus

Who can make the blind to see?

Who holds the keys that set us free?

He paid it all to bring us peace

Jesus, only Jesus

**Holy, King almighty Lord
Saints and angels all adore
I join with them and bow before
Jesus, only Jesus**

**Who can command the highest praise?
Who has the name above all names?
You stand alone, I stand amazed
Jesus, only Jesus**

**Holy, King almighty Lord
Saints and angels all adore
I join with them and bow before
Jesus, only Jesus**

**You will command the highest praise!
Yours is the name above all names!
You stand alone, I stand amazed
Jesus, only Jesus!
Jesus, only Jesus!**

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A Thousand Generations Publishing Scripture Reference: Matt 11:5 CCLI Song: 6517269 CCLI License: 51072*

MESSAGE.....“God, The Creator Of Life”..... by Rev. Gary Fortkamp

OFFERING SONG.....“Lead Us Back”

**Lead us back where we belong
Call us as Your very own
Lead us back
Safe into Your arms**

*"Lead Us Back" written by Tai Anderson, David Carr, Mark Lee, Mac Powell @2015 Songs Of Worship
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+ We Pray +

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

+ We Depart in Peace +

BENEDICTION

Pastor: May you know the Father deeply. May you seek His face in this life's journey.
Go and be blessed in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

CLOSING SONG.....“All The People Said Amen”

**You are not alone if you are lonely
When you feel afraid you're not the only
We are all the same in need of mercy
To be forgiven and be free
It's all you got to lean on
But thank God it's all you need**

**And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen**

**If you're rich or poor well it don't matter
Weak or strong you know love is what we're after
We're all broken but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and fall
And He so loved the world
He sent His Son to save us all**

And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For theirs is the kingdom the kingdom of God

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We Exit to Serve!

If this service has moved you spiritually and you have questions regarding your spiritual life, please feel free to visit with one of the Pastors after the service.

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