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JANUARY 10, 2021 9:00 WORSHIP BAPTISM OF THE LORD

PRELUDE

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

J. S. Bach

MESSAGE FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In the beginning, God created the world, and God blessed it, saying:

All: "It is good."

One: In the beginning, God created light, and God blessed it, saying:

All: "It is good."

One: In the beginning, God created life, and God blessed it, saying:

All: "It is good."

One: Since the beginning, God has not stopped creating, speaking and calling.

All: Let us turn to the light and draw near to the goodness of God.

HYMN #475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

Boone Coleman Bates, child of Kayce and Coleman Bates

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God whose spirit moved over the waters, you have washed us in your mercy, claimed us as your own, bound us in community, and called us to lives of baptismal grace.

But we confess, O God, that we have not responded as we should to that grace. We accept lies as truth. We turn our eyes away from injustice. We close our ears to the cries of people in pain. We stumble over opportunities for forgiveness. We prioritize our own selfish interests. Too often, Lord, we trash your good creation and leave it in shambles.

Forgive us, O God, for forgetting our baptisms. As we live in your grace, let us be instruments of your grace. Lead us back to your living waters, so we might walk in your light, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And hear us now, Lord, as we name silently in our hearts those things that we have done, or left undone, that need the touch of your grace and light...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

"The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. And also with you."

GLORIA PATRI

Henry Greatorex

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 1:4-11 *Patti Horton*

OLD TESTAMENT READING AND SERMON Genesis 1:1-5 *"Lifting the Lid"*
Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

ANTHEM *Shall We Gather at the River* Anna Laura Page

Lyricc Jenkins, Timmi Winston, Joshua Brock, Tyreke Jackson, David Naglekirk,
Regina Helcher Yost, flute

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain: *Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.*

On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,
We will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. (refrain)

E're we reach the shining river, lay we every burden down;
Grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown.
Soon we'll reach the shining river; soon our pilgrimage will cease;
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God? (refrain)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH*The 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.

OFFERING

We are grateful for your gifts during this challenging time.
They support the mission and ministry of the Body of Christ.
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DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #664 (see on next page)

*Morning Has Broken***BENEDICTION****BENEDICTION RESPONSE***Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

Sicilian melody

Morning Has Broken 664

1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black - bird has
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the

spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion; praise ev - ery

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

This 20th-century text was created to provide words for this traditional tune named for a small village on the Isle of Mull, off the west coast of Scotland. Through repeated use of "new" and "first," each morning is treated as a re-creation of the promise of the original day.

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JANUARY ADOPT A DAY AT HOPE HOUSE

1st - Happy New Year, praying for a better 2021. Given by Lawrence and Phyllis Simeon

In Honor of...

7th - Brenda and Toby Craig. Given by Donna Horton

11th - Rhetta Moore. Given by B.J. Moore

14th - Henry Warren Rowe, On his birthday. Given by Ken and Donna Widener

19th - Michael John Widener. Given by Ken and Donna Widener