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An Order of Service for Word and Worship

BAPTISM of the LORD

January 9, 2022 - 9:30 am

Entrance

Prelude

Welcome The Spirit dances in the water, waiting in baptism to join us in the fire of God's love. Come to the waters. Come to the Spirit. Come to the journey of a lifetime—a journey through death to life everlasting.

† Call to Worship

“Baptized in Water”

Choir

† Greeting

L: Sing praises to the Lord. Sing of God's glory and strength.

P: God calls us over the waters and strengthens us for the journey.

L: Sing praises to Christ. Sing of Christ's healing and love.

P: The waters of our baptism cleanse us, renewing our spirits and nursing our wounds.

L: Sing praises to the Spirit. Sing of the Spirit's comfort and hope.

P: The flames of the Spirit are like a refiner's fire, purifying the soul to the glory of God.

† Opening Hymn

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

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† Opening Prayer

(Unison)

Source of love and mercy, as we enter a new year in the life of this church, may our love for You be made known in our love for one another. Help us leave old grievances and former arguments behind, as we open our hearts to the possibilities that lie before us. Guide our footsteps into the glory of Your ways, that we may live as You created us to be - beloved children, crowned with glory and honor. May our worship reflect the greatness of our calling, and the honor of our heritage. Amen.

New Testament Reading

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Pastor

† Gloria Patri

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Children's Message

Receiving of Joys and Prayer Concerns

Pastor

Musical Interlude

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Meditation

Special Music

“Come, Be Baptized”

Choir

Message

Isaiah 43:1-7

What Have You Done with Your Baptism?

Pastor

Congregational Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

#50-52

† Sending Forth

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

#382

† Benediction

† Postlude

† *Please stand as you are able*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH NOTICES

Welcome to Morris Chapel United Methodist Church! We are excited that you joined us in Worship today via FaceBook Live and in person. All are welcomed as we come together to praise God and make disciples for Jesus!

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Thank you - Thank you to The Rev. Douglas Currin for leading Worship and for our choir leading us in music. We are truly blessed by the servants in our congregation.

Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows As the new year begins, today you will have the opportunity to renew your baptism vows as we celebrate the Baptism of Our Lord. What better time is there to think about our baptism and where we stand before the Lord in our relationship with Him. Let us celebrate the Baptism of Our Lord, consider our faith relationship with Christ, and together renew our commitment of our faith to the glory of God.

The Hospitality Committee is postponing the Valentine's Dinner at this time. We hope to be able to reschedule this at a later date. Thank you for your understanding.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study - We will resume at 11:00 am Tuesday, January 18th. We will be finishing up Chapter 10 of Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth. All are welcome to attend whether you have joined us before or are just curious about this in-depth exploration of spiritual growth.

Tithes and Offerings: The church thanks you for your faithfulness in tithing and offering. Please continue to mail your gifts and tithes to the church or bring them when you attend. You may also follow the directions on the website at www.morrischapelumc.org for on-line giving through Vanco. Be in God's Grace, Peace and Love

*Announcements may be given by noon on Wednesdays
to Laurel Parker at laurelparker@charter.net or (919) 271-0963.*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Gwen Adams	Natalie Goodwin	Lost souls everywhere	Maria Serra
Richard & Pat Angel	Elva Hall	Maude Maloney	Sandra Shope
Don Beach	Henry Hall	Melissa Martin	Caden Smith
Joshua Black	Kristen Halsted	Jimmy McCormick	Fred & Margaret Spivey
Elizabeth Brown	Darothy Harris	Linda McNeill	Michael Standridge
Louise Buchanan	Thomas Harris	Rhonda McNeill	Hilton Stewart
Lucille Cameron	Lewis Hartman	Tim & Donna McNeill	Tornado Victims
Christians in Middle East	Linda Holder	Martha Meeks	United Methodist Church
Ronnie & Ella Cleary	Mary Hudson	Military troops & families	United States of America
Noah Davis Clifton	Wayne Hudson	Molly Margaret O'Quinn	Pam Vaughan
Colorado Fire Victims	Kendal Huepper	Nancy Page	Lance Weekly
Greg Cox	Chad Huffman	Wendy Pennington	Lilla Williams
Ray Cox	Janet Hughes	Susie Pierce	Jackie Wilson
Kay Coles	Kathy Hyde	Phyllis Poe	Judy Wilson
Covid victims	Sandi Kankelfritz	Brenda Popke	Sammy Womack
Jeanette Amos-Cox	June Kelly	Johnny Ray	Seth Womble
Ben Edwards	Family of Jim Kempa	Dot Roberts	
Melissa Edwards	Margaret Kilcullen	Betty Jean Rosser	
Wayne & Elaine Everts	Beverly Leslie	NC Schools-staff & students	
Judy Garner	Family of Sharon Lett		