

And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.

Mark 1:10

Baptism of Our Lord

January 7, 2018 8:30 A.M. and 11:30 A.M.

Our re-creation in baptism is an image of the Genesis creation, where the Spirit/wind moved over the waters. Both Mark's gospel and the story in Acts make clear that it is the Spirit's movement that distinguishes Jesus' baptism from John's. The Spirit has come upon us as upon Jesus and the Ephesians, calling us God's beloved children and setting us on Jesus' mission to re-create the world in the image of God's vision of justice and peace.

The mission of Augsburg Evangelical Lutheran Church is to glorify God by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, witness, education, service and fellowship.

Timothy Olsen

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting Four

+ GATHERING +

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Alleluia. A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." Alleluia.

OPENING VOLUNTARY Maestoso *from* Partita on DEO GRACIAS Michael Burkhardt

ACCLAMATION

We stand.

ACCLAMATION

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

AFFIRMATION BY THE ASSEMBLY

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Response: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ? Response: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence both now and forever. **Amen.**

The assembly turns to face the cross as it enters the sanctuary, following the cross as we have followed Jesus into this holy place and time of corporate worship.

GATHERING HYMN 322 Oh, Love, How Deep

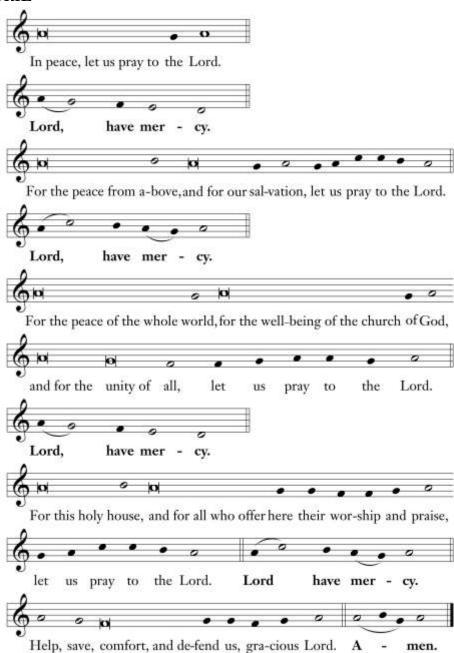
DEO GRACIAS

Stanzas 1-3: ALL Stanza 4: Women/trebles Stanza 5: Men Stanzas 6-7: ALL

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE



HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

After the prayer the assembly responds: Amen.

We sit.

+ WORD+

WELCOME

FIRST READING Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

The word of the Lord. The assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29



¹Ascribe to the [|] LORD, you gods, ascribe to the LORD glo- [|] ry and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due God's name; worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders; the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice; the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; the LORD breaks the ce- dars of Lebanon;

⁶the LORD makes Lebanon skip [|] like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a [|] young wild ox.

⁷The voice | of the LORD

bursts forth in | lightning flashes.

⁸The voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

⁹The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the ¹ forests bare. And in the temple of the LORD all are ¹ crying, "Glory!"

¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.

¹¹O LORD, give strength | to your people; give them, O LORD, the bless- | ings of peace.

SECOND READING Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

The word of the Lord. The assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Mark 1:4-11

The holy gospel according to Saint Mark.



John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The gospel of the Lord.



We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Wollner

SERMON

Pastor Wollner

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY 456 Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident that God our light and our salvation hears us when we pray, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

Each portion of the prayers concludes:

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we speak them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say Peace be with you or similar words.

Please be considerate of those who may be reluctant to shake hands in this flu season.

We sit.

+ MEAL +

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (8:30) Here Marked Not with Water Only

Tune: Robert J. Weaver

Anthem setting: Robert J. Weaver/William A. Pasch

Here marked not with water only but with Word, the signs of Grace, Child of God, with us as fam'ly standing with you in this place, may our witness help imagine Love that fills all time and space!

Fear no evil on your journey. To you God has freely giv'n all the love you need forever, in Christ's sacrifice for sin. Death was beaten by Christ's rising! Now no foes can ever win.

May the Holy Spirit guide you in the paths of heaven's love. Grace unearned, yet still inspiring deeds returning thanks above. Now reborn, washed with God's blessing, faithful, go! All mountains move!

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00) The Baptism of Christ

Peter Hallock

Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane.

[But Jesus has today returned from the Jordan.]

When Jesus Christ baptized was, the Holy Ghost descended with grace;

The Father's voice was heard in the place.

Refrain: Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende. [This is my son, listen to him.] There were Three Persons and one Lord, the Son baptized with one accord, the Father said this blessed word:

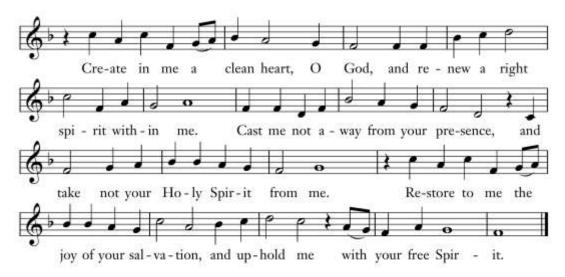
Refrain

Now, Jesu, as thou art both God and man, and were baptized in from Jordan, at our last end, we pray thee, say then:

Refrain

We stand.

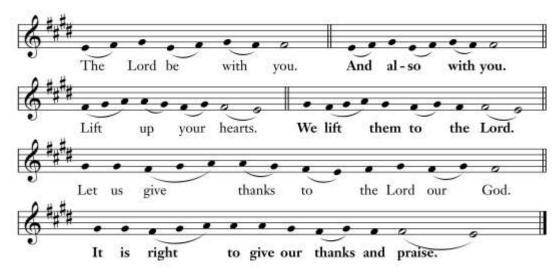
OFFERTORY HYMN



Let us pray.

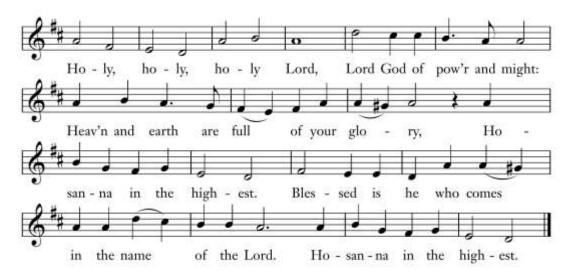
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions.
Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,

the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

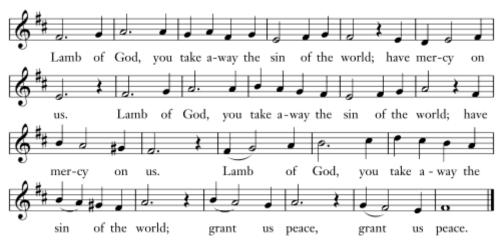
The presiding minister lifts the bread and cup and says

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

The assembly responds

Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.

AGNUS DEI



We sit.

COMMUNION

Today we will be communing by intinction. Receive the bread and dip it in the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available on the organ side of the church. Visitors and children are welcome to receive communion. Those who have never communed and would like to are encouraged to talk to a pastor. All who do not receive communion are welcomed forward to receive a blessing.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond Amen.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

HYMN 455 Crashing Waters at Creation **HYMN** 445 Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

STUTTGART BEACH SPRING

We stand.

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

+ SENDING +

INSTALLATION OF PASTORAL ASSOCIATE FOR CONGREGATIONAL CARE

After prayerful deliberation, we, of Augsburg Lutheran Church, have appointed The Reverend Lori H. Carter to serve in the position of Pastoral Associate for Congregational Care.

Our Lord Jesus, who came among us as a servant, calls us to faith and a life of loving service to our neighbor. You come among us as one invited to render a particular service, a gift from God to inspire us to love and good works.

Pastor Carter, in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you carry out this ministry in accordance with the holy scriptures and with the confessions of the Lutheran church and in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures and faithful in your use of the means of grace and in prayer?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Trusting in God's care, will you seek to grow in love for those you serve, strive for excellence in your skills, and adorn the gospel of Jesus Christ with a godly life?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

The assembly responds: Amen.

People of God, will you receive Reverend Lori H. Carter into this ministry as one sent to serve in the church of Jesus Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for her, help and honor her for her work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Pastor Carter, I now declare you installed as Pastoral Associate for Congregational Care. Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and your deeds in peace, that you may be a faithful servant of Christ.

Amen.

Let us pray.

Gracious God, as you have called workers to varied tasks in the world and in your church, so you have called Pastor Carter to this ministry. Grant her joy and a spirit of bold trust, that her work may stir up each of us to a life of fruitful service; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you...and + give you peace.



The assembly faces the cross as it leaves the sanctuary, following the cross as we follow Jesus into the world. All remain facing the cross for the dismissal.

SENDING HYMN 304 Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized

LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Postlude on LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN

Healey Willan

Soli Deo Gloria

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Announcements

WELCOME all who enter the Lord's house this day! We invite you to fill out the Friendship Register found on each pew. If you are visiting Augsburg, please stop by the Visitor Welcoming Table after today's service to pick up a welcome package. The visitor's table is located at the bottom of the ramp leading to the lobby.

Our worship begins with an acclamation or a brief piece sung by the choir which introduces the Gospel message or another theme of the day. This is a time to quietly begin our worship in ways that are meaningful to us, through listening, prayer, meditation on the scriptures to be read, the hymns or anthems to be sung, the art and paragraph on the cover of the bulletin, or to simply still our minds and spirits in preparation for an hour that is different from the hectic life outside the doors of our sanctuary.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Nell Rose in loving memory of Russell, Mildred, Bonnie and Larry.

Flowers on the Altar. Thank you to everyone who contributes the beautiful altar flowers every week. If you are interested in giving flowers as a memorial or in honor of a loved one, call the church office for more information. Open dates are January 14 and February 25.

Our homebound member is Mrs. Elizabeth Efird, 142 Bermuda Village Drive, Room 1, Bermuda Run, NC 27006. Please send Elizabeth a note.

On the center aisle of each pew is a folder known as the "Friendship Register." Please sign the register and check if you are communing today. Be sure to review the sheet to identify visitors. Please hand the completed pages from the register to an usher during the singing of the Hymn of the Day.

TONIGHT will be the 1st Annual Epiphany Chili Cook-off at 5:30 P.M. in the Family Life Center. Please consider bringing a crock pot of chili to share!

TONIGHT, we will celebrate Epiphany with an Epiphany Vespers service at 7:00 P.M. in the sanctuary. Join us as we read and sing about the revelation of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles and all nations. Music will be led by the Adult Choirs, Lobchor, and Jubilate Choir.

Music Exploration Class (ages 3-Kindergarten) has changed times: Beginning in January 2018, the Music Exploration Class will move to Sunday afternoons. Sunday, January 7, 2018 will have a special 5:00 P.M. time before the Chili Cook-off and a new, regular time beginning Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 3:30 P.M. in the youth choir room. Please contact Bruce Tippette with any questions.

Pastor Paul will begin the Inquirer's Class during the Sunday School hour on January 14, 21 and 28. If you are interested in learning more about joining Augsburg, please contact Pastor Paul.

Youthrans – January 21: Join us for lunch followed by a nearly 2 hour magic show from Magician Gartell the Great! Please bring a friend or a sibling to share in the fun. Please provide a head count no later than January 17.

The Efird L. and Maria F. Hine Fund committee will meet for its Winter Quarter meeting on Monday, January 22, 2018, at 7:00 P.M. All requests for financial grants should be directed to The Hine Fund and should be in the church office no later than 12 noon on Friday, January 12. The general purpose and intent of the Hine Fund is to "put into effect a ministry of Christian mercy and concern in meeting human needs as the Church thinks Jesus Christ Himself would have them met." Agendas will be ready for members to pick up in the Work Room on Sunday, January 14. Please call or email the Hine Fund secretary if you are unable to attend the meeting.

Offering Envelopes: The 2018 Offering Envelope packets (filed in alphabetical order) are available on tables in the lobby outside the Gathering Room. It will be practicing good stewardship if you can pick up your envelopes and save the Church the expense of mailing. If you do not find an Envelope Packet with your name and would like to have envelopes, please contact Joyce Holton at 336-722-8144, extension 201.

AUGSBURG BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

"O. M. Genesis" Study: Pastor Paul's Bible Study meets Mondays at 10:45 A.M. in the Sid Sowers Classroom. **This Study will resume January 8.**

Continue in My Word is an Adult Weekly Bible Study held Monday evenings at 6:00 P.M. in the Youth Area. Bring your Bible. **This Study will resume January 8.**

7:18 Youth Bible Study is on hiatus while Emily is in Israel.

Readings for next week: 1 Samuel 3:1-20; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51.

Worship attendance for services last week: 86 at 8:30; 167 at 11:00; 26 visitors.

Augsburg's Staff will now meet on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 A.M. The meeting generally lasts 60 to 90 minutes. If you call the office during this time and receive no answer, please leave a message and someone will return your call as soon as the meeting is over.

Providing Service Today Providing Service Next Sunday Bulletin Cover Artist Bulletin Cover Artist William Sanders Ethan Olsen Acolytes Acolytes 8:30 Kate Safrit and Mia Safrit 8:30 Meghan Ballard and David Johnson 11:00 Travis Pipes and Ethan Olsen 11:00 Ryan Hicks and Katie Kirkeeng Crucifers Crucifers 8:30 Caroline Bevis 8:30 Alex Ballard 11:00 Stuart Martin 11:00 Harrison Hickman Offering Bearer Offering Bearer TBD Fred Frazier Torch Bearers Lay Readers 8:30 Walker Paschold and TBD 8:30 Barbara Merced 11:00 Martha Claire Henzler 11:00 Zeke Bradley and Zachary Olsen Banner Bearers Communion Assistants 8:30 Mary Claire Bevis 8:30 Joanna Britt and Maggie DeBaugh 11:00 Lucas Bradley 11:00 Kathy Nelson and Jan Wiles Nursery Liturgists 8:30 Peggy Sturgis 8:30 Jill Fowler 11:00 William Stevens SS Kyle Voigt 11:00 Vicki Strandhoy Lay Readers 8:30 Robin Welch Ushers 8:30 Chris Almerini, Neil Linnell, 11:00 Kathy Carr Kent Reichert and Damion Richardson Communion Assistants 8:30 Dina Almerini and Barbara Merced 11:00 Jim Batts, Ray Bostian, 11:00 Kathy Carr and Kevin Kooken David Kinley and Joel Myers Visitors Welcoming Table & Greeters Nursery 8:30 Effie Sue Utt. 8:30 Leigh Anna Voigt 11:00 Pat Epting SS Mary Lou Leonard 11:00 Vicki Strandhoy Sunday Morning Fellowship Troutman/Hartman/Waters Ushers Oblation Bearers 8:30 Chris Almerini, Neil Linnell, Kent Reichert and Damion Richardson 8:30 TBD 11:00 Jim Batts, Ray Bostian, David Kinley 11:00 TBD and Joel Myers Assisting Ministers Visitors Welcoming Table & Greeters 8:30 Alex Ballard 8:30 Bobbi Baker 11:00 Don Armitage 11:00 Ashlie Martin Preaching and Presiding Pastor Wollner Sunday Morning Fellowship Becky Roediger Oblation Bearers 8:30 TBD 11:00 TBD Assisting Ministers 8:30 John Collins

11:00 Julia Grossnickle Preaching and Presiding Pastor Wollner

Calendar for January 7-January 14

7 Baptism of Our Lord

8:30a Festival Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary)

9:45a Fellowship Breakfast (Family Life Center)

10:00a Sunday School

11:00a Festival Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary)

5:00p Music Exploration (Youth Choir Room)

5:30p Epiphany Chili Cook-off (Family Life Center)

7:00p Epiphany Vespers Service (Sanctuary)

8 Monday

10:45a Pastor Paul's Bible Study (Sid Sowers Classroom)

6:00p Adult Handbell Choir (Handbell Room)

6:00p Continue in My Word (Youth Area)

9 Tuesday

10:30a Mary's Ministries (Lounge)

5:30p Stephen Ministries (Conference Room)

6:30p Stephen Ministries (Youth Area) 10 Wednesday

6:30a Bagels

7:15p Adult Choir II (Choir Room)

7:18p Youth Bible Study (Various Locations)

11 Thursday

10:00a Quilt Ministry (Youth Area)

6:15p Adult Choir I (Choir Room)

6:30p Finance Team Meeting (Covenant Classroom)

7:30p Council Meeting (Youth Area)

14 Second Sunday after Epiphany

8:30a Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary)

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