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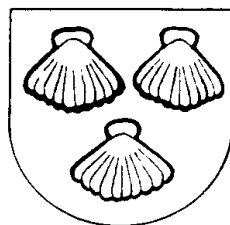


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9:30 am
“Into the Water”

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Saint James United Methodist Church

Marriottsville, MD

WE GATHER

Prelude

“Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern” (O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright)

Dietrich Buxtehude

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Welcome

Rev. Patricia Abell

Approaching the Threshold

Introit

“Down to the River to Pray” (vs. 5)

W & S 3164

5. As I went down to the river to pray,
studyin' about that good ole way
and who shall wear the starry crown,
good Lord, show me the way.
O sinners, let's go down,
let's go down, come on down.
Come on, sinners, let's go down,
down to the river to pray.

Southern Folk Song
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Call to Worship

Edie Candee

The Voice of God prods our hearing

The activity of God stretches our seeing.

Together they invite us down into the waters of life where the Spirit flows.

From there we may rise to go, to dare, to walk, and to serve beyond where we have been before.

Opening Prayer

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

**Edie Candee
UMH 402**

(Sing) Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

You alone can change me, Lord.

Wash me in the waters of baptism that I may become a new person.

Wash away everything that stands between me and your holiness.

(Sing) In my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

You alone can change me, Lord.

Wash away this temper that gets me into more trouble than I can handle.

Wash away the massive wants that place me in constant financial jeopardy.

(Sing) In my heart, in my heart.

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

You alone can change me, Lord.

Wash away my envy that separates me from the people I should love.

Wash away everything that stands between me and your holiness.

**(Sing) Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
 You alone can change me, Lord.
 Wash me with your cleansing power that I may be a child of God.
 You alone can change me, Lord.
 (Sing) Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart.
 Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.**

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Passing the Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

Opening Hymn

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

UMH 189

1. Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
 O thou of God and man the Son,
 Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
 thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

2. Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
 Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
 Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
 Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

3. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
 and all the twinkling starry host:
 Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
 than all the angels heaven can boast.

4. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!
 Son of God and Son of Man!
 Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
 Now and forevermore be thine.

The United Methodist Hymnal Number 189
Text: Munster Gesangbuch; trans. by Joseph August Seiss
Music: Schlesische Volkslieder; arr. by Richard Storrs Willis
Tune: ST. ELIZABETH

Time for Children

Jelinda Blum

Scripture

Isaiah 42:1-9 (CEB)

Edie Candee

But here is my servant, the one I uphold;
 my chosen, who brings me delight.
 I've put my spirit upon him;
 he will bring justice to the nations.
² He won't cry out or shout aloud
 or make his voice heard in public.
³ He won't break a bruised reed;
 he won't extinguish a faint wick,
 but he will surely bring justice.
⁴ He won't be extinguished or broken
 until he has established justice in the land.
 The coastlands await his teaching.
⁵ God the LORD says—
 the one who created the heavens,

the one who stretched them out,
 the one who spread out the earth and its offspring,
 the one who gave breath to its people
 and life to those who walk on it—
⁶ I, the LORD, have called you for a good reason.
 I will grasp your hand and guard you,
 and give you as a covenant to the people,
 as a light to the nations,
⁷ to open blind eyes, to lead the prisoners from prison,
 and those who sit in darkness from the dungeon.
⁸ I am the LORD;
 that is my name;
 I don't hand out my glory to others
 or my praise to idols.
⁹ The things announced in the past—look—they've already happened,
 but I'm declaring new things.
 Before they even appear,
 I tell you about them.

Matthew 3:15-17 (CEB)

¹⁵ Jesus answered, "Allow me to be baptized now. This is necessary to fulfill all righteousness."

So John agreed to baptize Jesus. ¹⁶ When Jesus was baptized, he immediately came up out of the water. Heaven was opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God coming down like a dove and resting on him. ¹⁷ A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son whom I dearly love; I find happiness in him."

Hymn

"I've Just Come from the Fountain"

TFWS 2250

Refrain

I've just come from the fountain,
 I've just come from the fountain, Lord,
 I've just come from the fountain,
 his name's so sweet. O Lord,
 I've just come from the fountain,
 I've just come from the fountain, Lord,
 I've just come from the fountain,
 his name's so sweet.

1. O brother, do you love Jesus?
 Yes, yes, I do love my Jesus.
 Brother, do you love Jesus?
 His name's so sweet, O Lord.

Refrain

2. O sister, do you love Jesus?
 Yes, yes, I do love my Jesus.
 Sister, do you love Jesus?
 His name's so sweet. O Lord.

Refrain

3. O sinner, do you love Jesus?
 Yes, yes, I do love my Jesus.
 Sinner, do you love Jesus?
 His name's so sweet, O Lord.

Refrain

The Faith We Sing Number 2250
 Text: African American Spiritual
 Music: African American Spiritual
 Tune: HIS NAME SO SWEET

Message

“Glimpses of God’s Kin-dom: Into The Water”

Rev. Patricia Abell

Reception of New Member

Nancy Schallhorn

UMH 37

**Recognition of New Leadership
Prayer for God’s People, Church, & World**

Response: Lord, in your mercy...**hear our prayer.**

Lord’s Prayer

Moment for Ministry

Donna Benson

***Doxology**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God All creatures here below
Alleluia alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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Offering Prayer

***Closing Hymn**

“We Are Marching”

TFWS 2235b

We are marching in the light of God
we are marching in the light of God
We are marching in the light of God
we are marching in the light of God
We are marching, oo
we are marching in the light of God
We are marching, oo
we are marching in the light of God

South Africa (20th cent.)

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***Benediction**

Postlude

"Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern" (Fugue) Dietrich Buxtehude

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*Please stand as able

Questions for Reflection

*In Romans 8:29 Paul wrote that God meant for Jesus to be “the firstborn within a large family.”
What does that mean to you? What does your baptism have to do with it?*

Household Prayer: Morning

*God, you make old things pass away and declare new things to be. Isa. 42:9
As I am renewed in my baptism this morning,
help me to confirm my baptismal vows in my life today. Amen.*

Household Prayer: Evening

*Holy One, you stretched out the heavens and spread out the earth, Isa. 42:5
and in that context I give you this small day that I have lived.
Now may I sleep, safe and secure in your covenant promise to me
that I am your beloved child, in whom you are well pleased. Amen.*

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