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A SPIRITUALLY PROGRESSIVE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

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Baptism of the Lord

“If you accept the belief that baptism incorporates us in the mystical body of Christ, into the divine DNA, then you might say that the Holy Spirit is present in each of us, and thus we have the capacity for the fullness of redemption, of transformation.”

~ Thomas Keating ~



Prelude

IRENA HRAMENKOVA, PIANIST

Welcome

KATHRYN KREUTZER

MINISTER OF CONGREGATIONAL SUPPORT

Chiming of the Trinity

HILARY MCINTYRE,

MINISTER OF MUSIC



Centering Words

BAPTISM IN AN OUTWARD TESTIMONY
OF AN INWARD TRANSFORMATION.

Call to Worship

JOHN THE BAPTIST SAID, "PREPARE THE WAY."

SO, HOW DO WE PREPARE OUR MINDS FOR WORSHIP?

WE SILENCE THE INNER CRITIC. WE LET GO OF BUSY THOUGHTS.

WE MAKE SPACE FOR GOD TO SPEAK.

HOW DO WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP?

WE BLESS ALL EMOTIONS. WE FEEL WHAT WE FEEL.

WE OPEN OURSELVES UP TO BE MOVED.

HOW DO WE PREPARE OUR BODIES FOR WORSHIP?

WE TAKE IN THE SCENT, SIGHT, AND FEEL OF OUR SPACE.

WE BREATHE IN GOD'S MERCY. WE EXHALE GOD'S LOVE.

HOW DO WE PREPARE OUR SOULS FOR WORSHIP?

WE WEAR OUR HEARTS ON OUR SLEEVES.

WE TRUST THAT EVEN NOW, GOD IS WITH US.

WHAT WE PRACTICE IN WORSHIP, WE MUST LIVE OUT IN OUR DAILY LIVES.

SO PREPARE THE WAY. LET US WORSHIP GOD.



Invocation

REV. JONATHAN EIDSON

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 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.
AMEN.



Sing of God Made Manifest

HILARY KEARNS, MINISTER OF MUSIC

Passing of the Peace

Choral Response

HALLE, HALLE, HALLE - CARIBBEAN MELODY

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH. HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH.

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH. HALLELUJAH, HALLELUJAH.

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Morning Prayer

REV. TILLIE DUNCAN

Special Music

IN WATER WE GROW

HILARY MCINTYRE, SOLOIST



Scripture Reading

MARK 1:2-11

Sermon

REV. BOB STILLERMAN



Invitation

Benediction

MAY GOD'S SPIRIT SWIRL ALL AROUND YOU
AND LEAVE YOU WITH A GRIN,
AND MAY THAT GRIN TURN INTO A SMILE,
AND MAY THAT SMILE TURN INTO AN ACT OF KINDNESS,
AND TOGETHER, WE WILL BE A CHORUS OF LOVE
EMPOWERED TO BE THE HANDS OF CHRIST
IN OUR COMMUNITY.

GO NOW WITH GOD'S BLESSING,
AND IN GOD'S PEACE,
AND MOST ESPECIALLY, WITH GOD'S JOY!

Postlude

IRENA HRAMENKOVA, PIANIST