

The Season of Epiphany

Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

Prelude (Lynn Dennis)

Welcoming (Stephen Godfrey)

Lighting the Christ Candle

Light for the shadows:

may it show us the way.

A flame of hope:

may our hearts be warmed.

A beacon of possibility:

may there be light and hope in our living

as we prepare to welcome Jesus.

Call to Worship Nancy (*light*); Bill (*Bold*)

Through the waters of baptism, Jesus was called.

Through the sacrament of baptism, we too feel God's call.

By the voice from heaven, Jesus was claimed as God's own.

We too find ourselves marked by the love of God.

By the power of the Holy Spirit,

Jesus was commissioned to his ministry.

Thanks be to God!

Opening Hymn: It's a Song of Praise to the Maker (More Voices 30)

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- 1 It's a song of praise to the Maker,
the thrush sings high in the tree.
It's a song of praise to the Maker,
the gray whale sings in the sea,
And by the Spirit you and I
can join our voice to the holy cry
and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

- 2 It's a call of life to the Giver
when waves and waterfalls roar.
It's a call of life to the Giver
when high tides break on the shore,
And by the Spirit you and I
can join our voice to the holy cry
and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

- 3 It's a hymn of love to the Lover;
the bumblebees hum along.
It's a hymn of love to the Lover;
the summer breeze joins the song,
And by the Spirit you and I
can join our voice to the holy cry
and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

- 4 It's a chorus of all creation;
it's sung by all living things.
It's the chorus of all creation;
a song the universe sings,
And by the Spirit you and I
can join our voice to the holy cry
and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

Scripture Readings (Joanne Thomas)

Hebrew Scripture (Old Testament): Isaiah 43:1-7

Gospel Reading: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Anthem: I Believe

By Al Stillman, Ervin Drake, Irvin Graham, and Jimmy Shiri

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Named Beloved – The Work of the People

Featuring Rachel Held Evans

Reflection (Nancy)

Into the Jordan - The Work of The People

Music, by The Brilliance. Written by Kelly Ann Hall.

Prayers for Others & Ourselves: Bill (Bold)

**God- Holy One, Holy Three,
Remind us of your presence,
Let our fears fade away.
Bring us the peace of your cleansing waters,
and may we share that peace with all of your creation.
Pour out your love on us,
Breathe into us new life,
We are yours to claim.
Make us all one, to love like your Son...**

The Lord's Prayer

Parting Hymn: I Have Called You by Your Name (More Voices 161)

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- 1 I have called you by your name,
you are mine;
I have gifted you
and ask you now to shine.
I will not abandon you;
all my promises are true.
You are gifted, called, and chosen;
you are mine.
- 2 I will help you learn my name
as you go;
read it written in my people,
help them grow.
Pour the water in my name,
speak the word your soul can claim,
offer Jesus' body
given long ago.

- 3 I know you will need my touch
as you go;
feel it pulsing in creation's
ebb and flow.

Like the woman reaching out,
choosing faith in spite of doubt,
hold the hem of Jesus' robe,
then let it go.

- 4 I have given you a name,
it is mine;
I have given you my Spirit
as a sign.

With my wonder in your soul,
make my wounded children whole;
go and tell my precious people
they are mine.

Benediction

As the water washed over Jesus, so many the words of our worship
continue to wash over you as you go into your week.
As Jesus emerged from the river refreshed in his ministry,
may you emerged from this place refreshed in yours
and ready to serve.

Postlude: Mary did You Know

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