



ST. ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DENTON, TEXAS

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 10, 2021

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

In person worshippers: please remain seated throughout the service, wear masks, and sing or speak softly to yourself.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 89

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;

with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;

your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

OPENING PRAYER

CJ Prater

HYMN 24

God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

HOLY MANNA

PRAYER OF CONFESSION+

Lisa Patterson

Lord, grant me your peace, for I have made peace with what does not give peace, and I am afraid. Drive me deep, now, to face myself so that I may see that what I truly need to fear is my capacity to deceive and willingness to be deceived; my love of things and using of people; my struggle for power and shrinking of soul; my addiction to comfort and sedation to conscience; my readiness to criticize and reluctance to create; my clamor for privilege and silence at injustice; my seeking for security and forsaking the kingdom. Lord, grant me your peace, instill in me such fear of you as will begin to make me wise, and such quiet courage as will enable me to begin to make hope visible, forgiving delightful, loving contagious, faith liberating, peace-making joyful and myself open and present to other people and your kingdom. In Christ's name we pray. Amen (time of silent confession).

SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn 110, third stanza of *Love Has Come*

Love has come and never will leave us! Love is life everlasting and free. Love is Jesus within and among us. Love is the peace our hearts are seeking. Love! Love! Love is the gift of Christmas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

CALL TO FAITHFULNESS

(Titus 2:11-14)

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn 112, *On Christmas Night All Christians*

All out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night; all out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night: "Glory to God in highest heaven; peace on earth and goodwill. Amen!"

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

I Corinthians 1: 10-17

See Insert

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

The Baptism of our Lord

Callahan

From wilderness to Jordan came the final prophet to proclaim that judgment soon was to begin to punish Israel for their sin. Although of Abraham's descent, since all have sinned, all must repent, and, like the Gentiles, undergo a baptism, and its import show. But when Christ came, no judgment dire did he pronounce with venging fire; Himself the baptism underwent, the sinless, perfect penitent. On him the spirit as a dove descended, and the Father's love voiced his approval that the Son mankind's salvation had begun. All glory, Lord, to you we pray for your Epiphany today; And to the Father tribute bring, as by the spirit here we sing.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1: 4-11

See Insert

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Baptism after Baptism

Richard B. Culp

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN 482

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(From *Belonging to God: A First Catechism*)

Who are you?

I am a child of God.

What does it mean to be a child of God?

That I belong to God, who loves me.

What makes you a child of God?

Grace -- God's free gift of love that I do not deserve and cannot earn.

Don't you have to be good for God to love you?

No. God loves me in spite of all I do wrong.

How do you thank God for this gift of love?

I promise to love and trust God with all my heart. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn 108, *Of the Father's Love Begotten*

Christ, to thee with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to thee, hymn and chant and high thanksgiving and unwearied praises be. Honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory, evermore and evermore! Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN 488

I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry

WATERLIFE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

* Prayer taken from Guerillas of Grace: Prayers for the Battle, by Ted Loder (Lura Media, 1984.)

Prayer Concerns

Barbara Kindred
Rafat Haddad
Steve Shirley
Steve Plunkett

Judy Cherry
Pat Hiler
Helen Harrison
Allyn Harrison

Scott Hendrix
Suzanne Baroody
Carol Hill

Don and Sandi Parker, friends of the Campbells
Suzanne Benson, sister in law of Lisa Patterson
Gino Curcuruto, uncle of Chris Curcuruto
Don Samuelson, husband of Gini Samuelson
Maggie Steward, sister-in-law of Lynn Ebersole
Barbara Smith, sister of Linda Heilig
Shirley Graham, mother of Natalie Garcia
James Earp, friend of Paden Neeley
Valerie Nevil, sister-in-law of Sharon Lunsford
Friends of Chris Curcuruto
Drennan Fuller and Family, friend of Caitlyn Coyner
Steven Purser, brother of John Purser
John Pierce, father of Bekah Barnett
Lee Speir, brother of Ray Speir

Sally Kyser, friend of Belle and Ray Speir
Alice Condry, mother of Berniece Condry
Jane Stroud, sister of Lynn Carrico
Sharon and Johnny Miller, cousins of Barbara Sims
Kathy Torneo Whatley, cousin of Barbara Sims
Darryl Speigel, brother of Sandy Speigel
Rachel Moore, mother of Sharon Lunsford
Ouida Henderson, mother of Joyce Kain
Matthew McIntyre, son of Linda and Jim McIntyre
John Murphy, faculty member at UNT
Charlie Leavell, grandfather of Shannon Konkle
Allison Burk, Kendall Young's grandmother
Nancy Burk, mother of Kendall Young
Ashley Burk, uncle of Kendall Young

WELCOME!

We proclaim that ALL people are created in the image of God and affirm that each person is a beloved child of God, worthy of God's love and grace. We welcome all, celebrating our differences while finding unity in Christ. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.
If you wish to join St. Andrew today, please contact one of the ministers.

Presbyterian Women Joint Circle Meeting Tuesday, January 12 10:00am on Zoom

All women of St. Andrew are invited to Presbyterian Women's joint circle meeting Tuesday, January 12 at 10:00am on Zoom. Jan Lewis, circle 1 chair, will be presiding. Nancy Glick will lead us through our fifth lesson in our Horizon's study, "Lamenting Life." Lisa Patterson will lead us through communion. Participants are asked to provide their own communion elements for the meeting. Questions? Please contact Sylvia Hobdy, snowbunny50@verizon.net.

Super Wednesday Kickoff and Meal at Super Wednesday Prices!

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Gather with your St. Andrew Family and have some fun at the Super Wednesday Kickoff on Zoom. We will meet online at 6:30pm and activities will be led by Amy Cole. 6:00pm Puppet Ministry for the kids.

Meal will be prepared by Liz Whitaker and can be purchased on St. Andrew Connect for Super Wednesday prices.

\$5/Adults; \$2/Children; College/Free; Family Maximum/\$10

Menu: meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, salad, and dessert

Deadline: Sunday, January 10 at midnight

Pickup: Wednesday, January 13, at 5:00pm
at St. Andrew parking lot

January 20 Menu by Classic Cafe at Roanoke

German jagerschnitzel- pork cutlet that is breaded, seared and served with a mushroom brown gravy, polenta cake and braised red cabbage, and blueberry buttermilk pie

Super Wednesdays | January 20-February 24 Parenting Class on Zoom with Dr. Lisa Elliot, PhD Wednesdays at 7:30-8:30pm

Join this Denton counselor for an hour with her and other parents, and be part of a group that will grow in the knowledge of parenting with an expert and with one another. Questions? Ask Lisa Patterson at lisa@standrewdenton.com.

Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday, January 31

Details forthcoming in future issues of The Shield and the bulletin.

St. Andrew Member Portal

If you have been looking for a link to St. Andrew Connect, or if you're looking for a way to update your email address with St. Andrew's churchwide email system, or if you're looking for a way to give online, visit St. Andrew's new member portal at standrewdenton.com/members. You'll be able to find links to each of these systems on that page. You can also find the link to the member portal on the right hand side of the menus at the top and the bottom of the website.

Give-a-Meal - \$2.29

St. Andrew donated \$735 to the Give-a-Meal program in December! Thank you for supporting the needs of those who are experiencing food insecurity during this time. A monetary donation of \$2.29 feeds a person in need for a week. Donations can be made by mail or online. Please write Give-a-Meal-a-Month on your envelope or check when giving by mail. To give online, visit standrewdenton.com/give and be sure to choose Give-a-Meal from the fund options to the right of your monetary donation.

By the Numbers: As of 12/31/20

Income (pledges + other income)	\$910,090.07
Expenses	\$895,427.21
Difference	\$14,662.86

Attendance 1/3/21 348 Views

Give online at: standrewdenton.com/give



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Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (Em) (Bm) (F#m)
F Dm Gm Dm Am

1 God, who stretched the span - gled heav - ens in - fi -
2 Proud - ly rise our mod - ern cit - ies, state - ly
3 We have ven - tured worlds un - dreamed of since the
4 As each far ho - ri - zon beck - ons, may it

(Em7) (G) (Bm) (A) (Bm) (A)
Gm7 Bb Dm C Dm C

nite in time and place, flung the suns in burn - ing
build - ings row on row. Yet their win - dows, blank, un -
child - hood of our race; known the ec - sta - sy of
chal - lenge us a - new, chil - dren of cre - a - tive

(G) (F#m) (G) (A) (D)
Bb Am Bb C F

ra - diance through the si - lent fields of space,
feel - ing, stare on can - yoned streets be - low,
wing - ing through un - trav - eled realms of space;
pur - pose, serv - ing oth - ers, hon - oring you.

(D) (Bm7) (G) (Em7) (G) (F#m7)
F Dm7 Bb Gm7 Bb Am7

we, your chil - dren in your like - ness, share in - ven - tive
where the lone - ly drift un - no - ticed in the cit - y's
probed the se - crets of the at - om, yield - ing un - i -
May our dreams prove rich with prom - ise, each en - deav - or

(G) (Em7) (A) (D) (Bm) (A)
Bb Gm7 C F Dm C

powers with you. Great Cre - a - tor, still cre -
ebb and flow, lost to pur - pose and to
mag - ined power, fac - ing us with life's de -
well be - gun. Great Cre - a - tor, give us

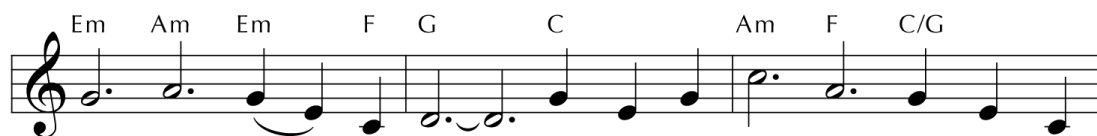
(Em7) (F#m) (G) (A) (D)
Gm7 Am Bb C F

at - ing, show us what we yet may do.
mean - ing, scarce - ly car - ing where they go.
struc - tion or our most tri - um - phant hour.
guid - ance till our goals and yours are one.

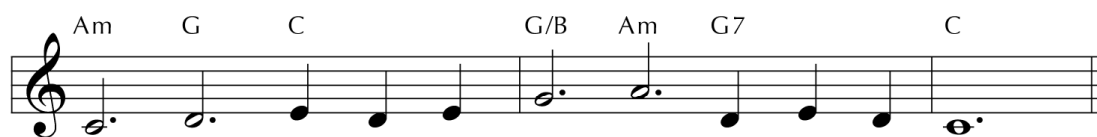
Baptized in Water



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



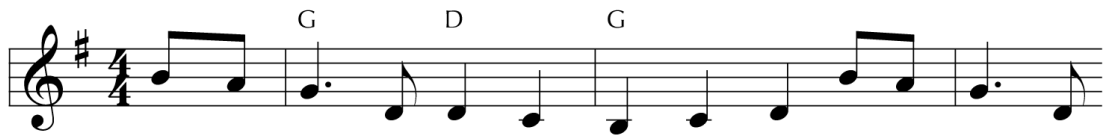
blood of Christ our King; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing the
 tomb with Christ our King; one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our King; born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

Each stanza of this compact and carefully constructed text about baptism begins with allusions to John 3:5 and Ephesians 1:13. The interplay of constant and changing lines accentuates each added image. It is set here to a Gaelic tune first transcribed in the 19th century.

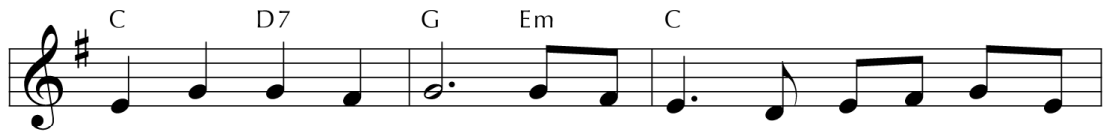
488 I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry



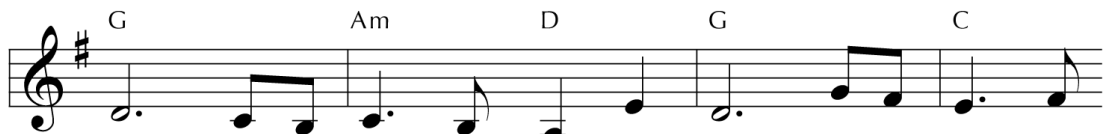
1 "I was there to hear your born - ing cry; I'll be there when
 2 "When you heard the won - der of the Word, I was there to
 3 "In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no



you are old. I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to
 cheer you on. You were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord to
 lon - ger young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, com -



see your life un - fold. I was there when you were but a
 whom you now be - long. If you find some - one to share your
 plete what I've be - gun. When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es



child with a faith to suit you well; in a blaze of
 time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to
 in and you shut your wea - ry eyes, I'll be there as



light you wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell."
 make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
 I have al - ways been with just one more sur - prise."



4 "I was there to hear your born - ing cry; I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold."

Originally created to accompany a video series on baptism, this hymn speaks in the imagined conversational voice of God, assuring the person being baptized of God's presence throughout the changing stages of life. It offers a reminder that baptism is a once-in-a-lifetime event.

Scripture Lessons

I Corinthians 1: 10-17

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters.¹² What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

Mark 1: 4-11

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And 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. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He 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. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And 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. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."