# Your Friendly Community Church



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# Baptism of the Lord

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** 

"Trust and Obey"

WELCOME

& ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vilma Cobb

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: The heavens open. The Spirit descends.

People: Jesus emerges from the water.

Leader: And a voice echoes through the blue expanse.

People: "This is my child, the Beloved, with whom I am well-pleased."

Leader: Jesus is named. Claimed.

People: We come to the water. We remember we are named. Claimed.

Leader: Can it be so? What a thing to be named. Claimed.

People: Let us worship the one who names and claims us still.

\*HYMN #400

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Holy God, when Jesus was baptized in the Jordan the heavens opened, the Spirit descended, and your voice affirmed your love in Jesus for the healing of humanity and all creation. By water and word, you lovingly invite us into this same life-giving mission. May your Spirit, moving like a stream of water flowing from its source, work in us this day to realize your vision of a world made new in Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** 

Diane Horn

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

# 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.

#### **OFFERING**

#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

#### \*GOSPEL READING:

NT #56

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

#### **SERMON**

## \*HYMN OF INVITATION

#127

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

#### INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

The altar is open for prayer. If you would like the pastor to pray with you, please so indicate. The doors of our church are open if anyone wants to join by profession of faith or by transfer.

#### \*BENEDICTION

#### **AMEN RESPONSE**

#898

**POSTLUDE** "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior"

\*Please stand as you are able.

# **WELCOME GUESTS**

We welcome you to our worship service this morning. If you are visiting, please complete a visitor's card located in your pew and place it in the offering plate.

Our appreciation goes to those who participated in the Leadership Planning Session that was held yesterday. Let's all continue to pray for Rehoboth and its ministries as we begin a new year.

A big thank you goes to Bobby Dennis and the other volunteers for their assistance with decorating the church for the Christmas season.

# THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Wednesday, January 12, 6:30 pm: Choir Thursday, January 13, 6:30 pm: Leadership Team

You are welcomed to attend one of our Sunday school groups each Sunday Morning:

**Crossroads SS Class** meets via Zoom at 9 a.m. Contact L.W. Smith for Zoom invite.

**Pathfinder SS Class** meets at 9:45 a.m. in the parlor in the Education Building.

#### **HEARING INFO**

If you would like to use a hearing assistance device, please see an usher for assistance.

# PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write your prayer requests in the book found on the podium located at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins. Pastor Meegian will receive these requests and lift them up for prayer during worship.

We are excited to have you in our worship service today. We love that the walls of our building do not limit the impact of our ministry and have a wonderful community joining us today virtually. As such, we would like to remind all in attendance that your presence in our worship service indicates your approval that you and all minors you represent being recorded for our digital usage. This includes, but is not limited to, your image, name, and involvements in today's services.