

The Baptism of the Lord

Carmel Presbyterian Church

Celebrated through worship

at

January 7, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

*“One who is
more powerful
than I
is coming after me...”*

I am unworthy...”

Mark 1:7

Artwork: “River” by John August Swanson

Carmel Presbyterian Church
January 7, 2024
Baptism of our Lord
10:00 AM

** Please stand, as able*
*Congregation voices **Bold** responses*

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Pastoral Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise* David Cherwien
Hymn tune: Salzburg (b. 1957)

****Prayer of the Day***

Eternal God, at the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Grant that all who are baptized into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior. We pray as one people with one voice, for the sake and glory of Jesus who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns forever and ever. Amen

L: Sing and bless God's name;

P: tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.

L: Proclaim God's glory to the nations;

P: God's marvelous deeds to all peoples.

****Hymn (insert)*** *Sing of God Made Manifest* Salzburg

****Call to Confession***

****Prayer of Confession***

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we have remained preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow our past to hold us hostage. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. As we offer our silent prayers, remind us again of your promises that we may rise together to new life and live together in grace. (offer your silent prayers)

****Declaration of Forgiveness***

L: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

P: May the God of mercy, who forgives all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. All glory to God. Amen.

****Gloria Patri Hymn 567*** *Glory to the Father* John Weaver

****Passing of the Peace***

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Genesis 1:1-5

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Mark 1:4-11

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Sermon

Humility and Opportunity

Rev. Diller

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn 325**

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

Nun danket all und
bringet Ehr'

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Call to Offering

Offertory

Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters
Sanctuary Choir

The Sacred Harp

Wash, O God, your sons and daughters, newborn creatures of your womb.
Number them among your people, raised like Christ from death and tomb.
Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light.
Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight.

Every day we need your nurture; by your milk may we be fed.
Let us join your feast, partaking cup of blessing, living bread.
God, renew us; guide our footsteps, free from sin and all its snares,
one with Christ in living, dying, by your Spirit, children, heirs.

O how deep your holy wisdom! Unimagined, all your ways!
To your name be glory, honor! With our lives we worship, praise!
We your people stand before you, water-washed and Spirit-born.
By your grace, our lives we offer. Recreate us; God, transform!
(Text: Ruth Duck, 1987)

Presentation of the Elements

The Great Thanksgiving

Sanctus Hymn 581

(sung by all)

Joseph Roff

**"Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest**

The Lord's Prayer

The Serving

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Page 16, front of hymnal

Alfred V. Fedak

Prayer We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament you have given us your Son who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn 317** *Holy Ghost, Dispel Our Sadness* Geneva

***Charge and Benediction**

Chimes

Postlude

Jesus, Who Didst Ever Guide Me

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

Announcements

Guests: You Are Welcome Here

WE CORDIALLY WELCOME THOSE WHO ARE VISITING TODAY. We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in our worship, mission, and programs; we are happy to share our ministry with you. We'd like to get to know you. Please be sure to join us downstairs in Carmel Hall for refreshments and conversation after worship! We hope your worship experience is meaningful and you will gather with us again soon. Should you wish for Hearing Devices and/or Large Print Bibles & Hymnals, they are available from an usher. Please sign our guest book at the sanctuary entrance (or share your email/contact information in the offering plate for a weekly email of future worship and activities). Restrooms are located down the long hallway just past the Church Office in the Education Building.

CARMEL IS HAPPY TO PROVIDE FOR THE YOUNG MEMBERS of our congregation by offering **Children's Worship (Grades K-3)** during the Sunday 10:00 AM worship service. **Children's Worship** does not require reserving ahead. Children leave the Sanctuary after the **Children's Message** and go with their leader to the **Children's Worship Room** in the nursery. An usher can be of assistance.

CALLING ALL YOUTH GRADES 3-8. The Carmel Youth Ministry (CYM) meets each Wednesday night in Carmel Hall from 6:30 - 7:30 PM. It is a jam-packed hour of food, fellowship and fun! We look forward to seeing you there!

THERE ARE FREE BLUE PRESBYTERIAN HYMNALS in the Church Office for anyone to take to keep at home. These hymnals were given to Carmel by the Philadelphia Presbytery Office and are a great thing to use at home for online streaming or for personal devotions. Stop by the church office today to get a free hymnal or deliver a copy to a shut-in who cannot come to worship.

THE MORNING FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are in loving memory of Wes Rose, forever in our hearts, by the Rose Family.

CARMEL'S LIBRARY will be open on Mondays and Thursdays from 11:45 AM-12:30 PM during the Nursery School year. The library is also open before and after worship on Sunday mornings.

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WONDER "WHAT'S GOING ON?" CHECK OUT CARMEL'S WEBSITE! Explore the wealth of information at www.presbycarmel.org. Easily find links for the current Livestream worship, past services, and the daily lectionary, or send a prayer request or make financial donation—and not miss the latest on the Carmel Calendar.

JOIN US EACH SUNDAY IN WORSHIP; CELEBRATE COMMUNION ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH! Live Streaming Worship is available on **YouTube** or via **Zoom** on the phone for those unable to attend in-person worship due to health comfort levels or travel situations. You can find our Sunday morning worship live streaming Sundays at 10:00 AM with links below:

YouTube (Carmel Presbyterian Church Glenside) at
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJIjIDvsRw>

SIGN-UP TO HELP WITH WORSHIP – EACH SUNDAY WE HAVE several spots you can assist: liturgist, ushers, greeters, and host for coffee hour. We are not all we can be

without you sharing your gifts as a volunteer! To sign up please email Deb Gates at gatesdl@comcast.net and indicate what you'd like to help with and on which date. Thank you for your service

Sing of God Made Manifest 156



1 Sing of God made man - i - fest in a child ro - bust and blest,
 2 Sing of God made man - i - fest when at Jor - dan John con - fessed,
 3 Sing of God made man - i - fest when Christ came as wed - ding guest
 4 Sing of God made man - i - fest on the cloud - capped moun - tain's crest,



to whose home in Beth - le - hem where a star had guid - ed them,
 "I should be bap - tized by you, but your bid - ding I will do."
 and at Ca - na gave a sign, turn - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 where the law and proph - ets waned so that Christ a - lone re - mained:



ma - gi came and gifts un - bound, signs mys - te - rious and pro - found:
 Then from heaven a dou - ble sign—dove - like Spir - it, voice di - vine—
 fur - ther still was love re - vealed as he taught, for - gave, and healed,
 glimpse of glo - ry, pledge of grace, given as Je - sus set his face



myrrh and frank - in - cense and gold grave and God and king fore - told.
 hailed the true A - noint - ed One: "This is my be - lov - ed Son."
 bring - ing light and life to all who would lis - ten to God's call.
 towards the wait - ing cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.



"Epiphany" means "manifestation" or "showing forth," and this text cites key disclosures of Jesus as Messiah: the coming of the Magi, his baptism by John the Baptist, the wedding at Cana. All are summed up in the Transfiguration, recalled on the Last Sunday after the Epiphany.

Glory to the Father

Gloria Patri

567

John Weaver, 1978

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Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the

f
Ped.

Detailed description: This system contains the first two lines of music. The top line is a vocal line in treble clef, 3/2 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It begins with a whole rest, followed by a quarter rest, and then a melodic phrase starting on G4. The piano accompaniment is in grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The right hand plays chords and moving lines, while the left hand plays a steady bass line. A piano dynamic marking 'f' and a 'Ped.' (pedal) instruction are present.

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Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it: as it was in the be - gin-ning, is

Detailed description: This system contains the third and fourth lines of music. The vocal line continues the melody from the previous system. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines. The key signature and time signature remain the same.

now, and will be for ev - er. A - men. A - men. A - men.

Detailed description: This system contains the fifth and sixth lines of music. The vocal line concludes with the words 'A - men. A - men. A - men.' The piano accompaniment ends with a final chord. The key signature and time signature remain the same.

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

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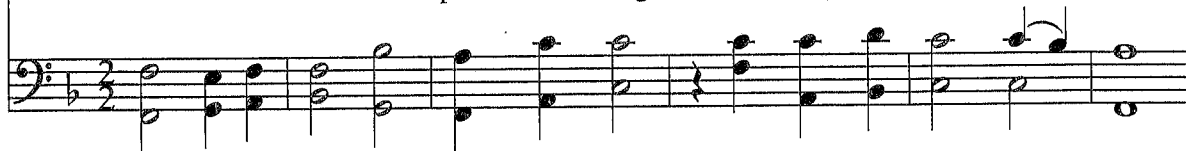
NUN DANKET ALL' UND BRINGET EHR' CM

Andrew Reed, 1829; alt.

Johann Crüger, 1647



1. Spir - it di - vine, at - tend our prayers; And make this house Your home;
2. Come as the light; to us re - veal Our emp - ti - ness and woe;
3. Come as the fire and purge our hearts Like sac - ri - fi - cial flame;
4. Come as the dove and spread Your wings, The wings of peace - ful love;



- De - scend with all Your gra - cious powers; O come, great Spir - it, come!
And lead us in those paths of life Where all the righ - teous go.
Let our whole soul an of - fering be To our Re - deem - er's name.
And let the church on earth be - come Blest as the church a - bove.



5. Spirit divine, attend our prayers;
Make a lost world Your home;
Descend with all Your gracious powers;
O come, great Spirit, come!

HOLY SPIRIT

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Holy Ghost, Dispel Our Sadness

GENEVA 8.7.8.7 D

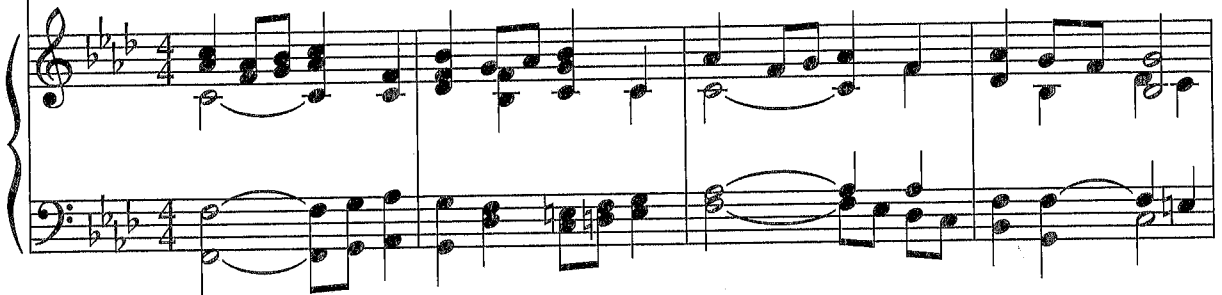
Paul Gerhardt, 1648

Trans. John Christian Jacobi, c. 1725; alt.

George Henry Day, 1940



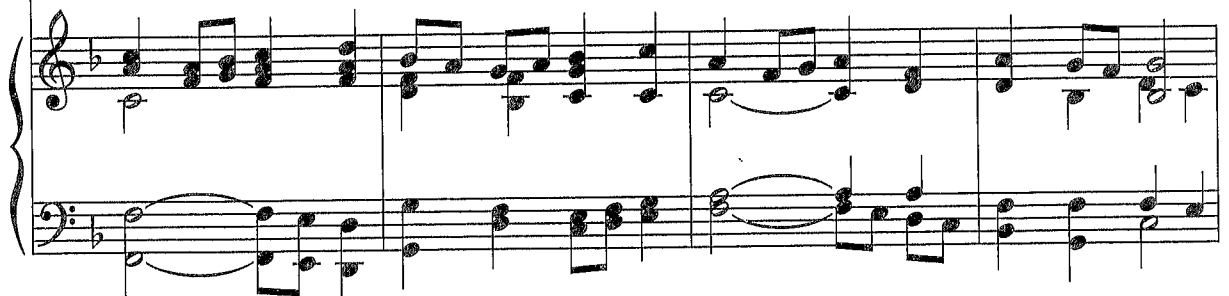
1. Ho-ly Ghost, dis-pel our sad-ness; Pierce the clouds of na - ture's night;
2. Au-thor of the new cre - a - tion, Come, a - noint us with Your power.



Come, O source of joy and glad-ness, Breathe Your life, and spread Your light.
Make our hearts Your hab-i - ta - tion; With Your grace our spir - its' shower.



From the height which knows no mea-sure, As a gra - cious shower de - scend,
Hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion, Bless-ed Spir - it, God of peace!



HOLY SPIRIT



Bring-ing down the rich - est trea - sure We can wish, or God can send.
Rest up - on this con - gre - ga - tion With the 'full - ness of Your grace.



COMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

Worship with Communion in the Sanctuary (and live streaming): 10:00 AM
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
Youth Choir, Choir Room: 11:15-11:45 AM
ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 PM

MONDAY, JANUARY 8

Literacy Program, Children's room off the Chapel: 4:00-6:15 PM
Handbell Choir, Choir Room: 7:30-8:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

Staff Meeting, Lounge: 10:30 AM
Literacy Program, Children's room off the Chapel: 4:00-6:15 PM
Children's Choir (grades K-2), Choir Room & Sanctuary: 5:00-5:40 PM
Junior Choir (grades 3-8), Choir Room & Sanctuary: 5:45-6:30 PM
CYM (grades 3-8), Carmel Hall: 6:30-7:30 PM

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

Literacy Program, Children's room off Chapel: 4:00-6:15 PM
Sanctuary Choir, Choir room & Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

ICGC, Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

Special Session meeting, Chapel: 9:30 AM
Worship in the Sanctuary (and live streaming): 10:00 AM
Ordination & installation of new officers, Sanctuary: 10:00 AM
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
Youth Choir, Choir Room: 11:15-11:45 AM
ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 p.m.

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