

A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer *Water, River, Spirit, Grace* TFWS #2253  
 Prayer/Lord's Prayer  
 Choral Response *Water, River, Spirit, Grace* TFWS #2253

SCRIPTURE Acts 19:1-7  
 Mark 1:4-11

CHORAL ANTHEM *Rivers of Living Water* Karen Marroli

HYMN *(remain seated)* *Take My Life and Let it Be* No. 399

SERMON LIGHT IN US Rev. Mary Birgelaitis

OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission  
 Offertory *Down to the River to Pray* Trad./arr. Mark Hayes  
 Doxology/Prayer of Dedication "Old 100th" Hymnal, No. 95

RENEWAL OF BAPTISM PROMISES Hymnal, page 50

HYMN *(remain seated)* *Here, O My Lord, I See Thee (verses 1-3)* No. 623

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving Hymnal, page 15  
 Sharing the Bread and Cup  
 Communion Music *By the Gentle Waters* Cindy Berry

\*CLOSING HYMN *Here, O My Lord, I See Thee (verses 4-5)* No. 623

\*BENEDICTION

May the peace of God reign in our lives.  
**May the love of Christ be our sure foundation.**  
 May the Spirit of God guide us each and every day.  
**May the joy of God strengthen your love.**

RESPONSE *Do, Lord, Remember Me* No. 527

*Do Lord, do, Lord, do, Lord, remember me; do, Lord, do, Lord, do, Lord, remember me;  
 Do, Lord, do, Lord, do, Lord, remember me; singing do, Lord, remember me.*

POSTLUDE *Song of Salvation* Lani Smith

\*Please stand as able

Music Director: Julia Burns Piano/Keyboard: Dennis Eiler Organist: Brad Bettencourt

Today's Scripture

ACTS 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

MARK 1:4-11

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

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

Today's Liturgist: Barbara Reineke

ATTENDANCE							
WEEK	8:30	10:30	CHRIST- MAS EVE	IN- PERSON N	VIDEO	TOTAL	GIVING
12/10	39	78		117	48	165	\$4,649
12/17	34	93		127	30	157	\$2,817
12/24	40	75	106	221	38	259	\$17,209
12/31	36	52		88	19	107	\$ 4,952
Our Fiscal Year started July 1 Weekly Offering Needed \$6,038 STEWARDSHIP REPORT: YTD Received \$182,169 YTD Budgeted \$154,502 Christmas Offering Received \$7,832 Christmas Budgeted \$7,800							

HOSPITALITY  
 TIME  
 Today's Hosts:  
 United  
 Women in  
 Faith  
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 Next Sunday  
 --Jan 14--  
 Fellowship  
 Ministry



# THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR



<b>Mon</b>	<b>Jan 08</b>	4:30 PM Communications--L, 6:00 PM Gerry's Quilt Class.
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Jan 09</b>	9:00 AM Senior Exercise--CH, 10:00 AM Sew n Sews--MMR, No Yoga this week, 5:00 PM Handbell Practice--HR, 7:00 PM Trustees--CH.
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Jan 10</b>	9:00 AM Senior Exercise--CH, 10:00 AM Church Work Day --CH, 1:00 PM Mission Team--CH.
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Jan 11</b>	9:00 AM Senior Exercise--CH, 5:00 PM Handbell Practice--HR, 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal--S.
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Jan 14</b>	8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service-Sanctuary.
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Jan 14</b>	10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary.

### Abbreviation Legend

CH--Criswell Hall  
 S--Sanctuary  
 K--Kitchen  
 L--Library---  
 Room #123  
 MMR--McMillen  
 Room #113  
 PS--Pastor's Study  
 HR--Handbell



For this year's Advent/Christmas offering we brought all the animals to the manger to adore baby Jesus. We beat our goal for the Advent/Christmas offering by raising **\$7,832 vs. the goal of \$7,000.** That includes:

- 36 Doves @ \$10
- 15 Cats @ \$25
- 15 Dogs @ \$25
- 15 Donkeys @ \$50
- 25 Sheep @ \$100
- 2 Cows @ \$250
- 4 Camels @ \$500
- 1 Angel @ \$1000 (bless you!)

Thank you to all,  
 Joel Anderson, *Acting Treasurer*

### FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY FUTURE EVENTS

**FEBRUARY 10--Paulding Museum Tour with Jim Gregory**

**FEBRUARY 24--Branch Street Historic Tour**

**APRIL--SLO Botanical Gardens**



*Please visit the Connections Desk in the Narthex for more information and to sign up for these adventures!*



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January 7, 2024

10:30 AM

## ETIPHANY SUNDAY

Baptism of the Lord

PRELUDE

*Thou Dids't Leave Thy Throne* T.R. Matthews/arr. Tom Fettke

INTROIT

*This Little Light of Mine* verses 1 & 2 No. 585

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine; this little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine; everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

**Worship the LORD with gladness, come into his presence with singing.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

**Give thanks to him and bless his name.**

The LORD is good. His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

\*OPENING HYMN

*Here I Am, Lord*

No. 593

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

**Holy and Beloved Spirit, we enter into worship ready to hear what you would say.**

**Bathe us in the spiritual waters of our baptism, and wash us clean with your love and grace.**

**Bring us closer together, that our lives may reflect the unity of fellowship we find in Christ Jesus. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Carolyn Russell