

**The Service for the Lord's Day**  
**Bethel Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**  
**Baptism of the Lord**  
**January 10, 2010 – 11:00 AM**

\* *Indicates congregation standing if able. Parents with infants may remain seated.*  
*Congregational responses indicated in bold.*

**GATHERING AND GREETING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We welcome each of you as we remember Jesus' baptism and our own baptisms. We are gathered as Christ's disciples to worship our Lord.

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**    **Roane County Co-op Ministries**                      **Cathy McDowell**

**PRELUDE**    *"Brother James Air"*    by James Bain

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

When Jesus was baptized by John in the Jordan  
the Holy Spirit descended like a dove  
and a voice from heaven spoke these words:

**You are my child, my beloved; with you I am well pleased.**

When we are baptized into Christ Jesus,  
we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit,  
and from heaven, God speaks these words:

**You are my child, my beloved; with you I am well pleased.**

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Eternal God, at the baptism of Jesus in the River 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; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

\*HYMN OF CALL # 473    *"For the Beauty of the Earth"*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weakness, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God,**

**in baptism you promise forgiveness and a new life,  
making us part of the body of Christ.**

**We confess that we remain 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 the past to hold us hostage.**

**In your loving kindness, have mercy on us,  
and free us from sin.**

**Remind us of the promises you make in baptism  
so that we may rise to new life,  
and live together in grace. ....**

*(silent & personal confession)* **Amen**

SUNG RESPONSE # 572      “*Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us*”

KYRIE

***Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.***

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins,  
strengthen you in all goodness,

and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen

\*GLORIA PATRI # 579

*“Glory Be to the Father”*

H. W. Greatorex

CHORAL ANTHEM

*“For God So Loved the World”*

### THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

PSALM: Psalm 29

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 43:1-7

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

SERMON

“Living Water”

The Rev. Craig Hendrix

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

ORDINATION: of Andy Avel to Elder

INSTALLATION OF ELDERS: Andy Avel, Julie Bunch,  
Frank Harris, Larry Strickling,

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH **The Apostles’ Creed (Trad.)** Hymnal – pg 14

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE # 316 *“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”* TRENTHAM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*“I Need Thee Every Hour”*

by: Janet Vogt

\*DOXOLOGY # 592 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

\*DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## THE SENDING FORTH

\*SENDING HYMN # 244    *“Let Us With a Gladsome Mind”*

MONKLAND

\*CHARGE

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION # 538

*Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing  
(Verse 1)*

***Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing;  
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
Let us each, Thy love possessing,  
Triumph in redeeming grace.  
O refresh us, O refresh us,  
Traveling through this wilderness.***

\*POSTLUDE

*“Andante Maestoso”*

by Areangelo Corelli

### ASSISTING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Liturgist: Celia Simon

Pianist: Marilyn Gaffin

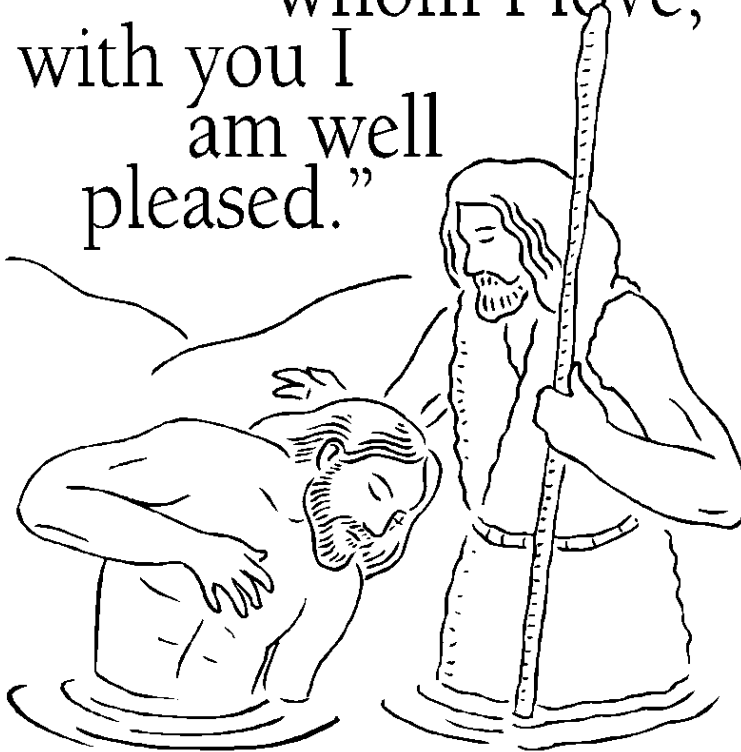
Ushers: Teresa Hettrick & Chelsea Richmond

Acolytes: Charlie Coen & Henry Coen

Sound: Greg Murr

And a voice came from heaven:

“You are my Son,  
whom I love;  
with you I  
am well  
pleased.”



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**A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS:**

We extend a warm welcome from Bethel Presbyterian Church!  
We invite you to participate in signing the Friendship Folders adding your name  
and address and if you desire a church newsletter or a pastoral call.

When we pray the Lord's Prayer, we say "sins...sin against us"  
rather than "debts..." or "trespasses..."

Prayer requests can be noted on the cards provided in the pew racks,  
please put those in the offering plate.

# Bethel Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

~ a community of faith coming together,  
for fellowship, study and service . . .  
seeking God's peace, justice and love ~

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