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First Sunday after Christmas



Tearing Apart the Heavens

FOLLOW ME WORSHIP SERIES

Order of Worship

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jackie

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Tom Cheatham

L: Today we celebrate a special baptism; the baptism of Jesus of Nazareth. God says:

*Look! See my chosen servant,
the One in whom I utterly delight;*

***P: I have placed my Spirit on him,
he will bring true justice to the nations.***

*L: when Jesus was baptized, the heavens opened up,
and Spirit came down like a dove;
and there was a voice from heaven saying:*

***P: “This is my dearly loved Son,
with whom I am delighted.”***

L: The joy of the Lord be with you all.

P: And also with you.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

UMH 334

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 1: 1-5

Tom Cheatham

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of redemption and new life, we focus once more this day on the greatest gift ever given – Jesus, our Savior. As he was baptized by John in the Jordan, we were able to share in his baptism and receive the promise of sharing in Jesus ’resurrection. As we leave a painful year behind and look with hope to the new year ahead, help us to live and give of ourselves as those who know every day what a great gift we have been given. May it move us to give our whole selves more freely! In the name of Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, we pray! Amen.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

THE SHEMA

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1: 4-11

Pastor Jackie

MORNING MESSAGE

"Tearing Apart the Heavens"

Pastor Jackie

PRAYER CONFESSION

Loving Lord, we confess we have not always heeded your prophets' voices. We admit we have not acknowledged John the baptizer who proclaimed a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. We acknowledge in our failure to do so we missed John's all too important declaration about the greater One who was coming. God, today we gather needing grace and the gift of forgiveness granted through your son.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

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.***

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Congregational Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

UMH 50

Introduction to the Service

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Reaffirmation of Faith

Thanksgiving

*SENDING HYMN

“Spirit Song”

UMH 347

*COMMISSION

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



WORSHIP LEADERS

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<i>Liturgist</i>	<i>Ushers</i>	<i>Music Leader</i>
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