

## CHURCH SESSION

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Presbytery of the Mid-South, Synod of Living Waters.

## Grace Presbyterian Church

Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

January 12, 2020

First Sunday after Epiphany/The Baptism of the Lord

### The Bell Calls Us to Worship

#### Prelude

The congregation stands to sing

**Processional Hymn 446** Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken Austrian Hymn

#### Opening Sentences

**Pastor:** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People:** **The Maker of heaven and earth.**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Let us pray.

**Prayer for the Day** (spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the **Amen.**)

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.**

The congregation sits.

#### Confession of Sin

Unison

**Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and 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 are reluctant to welcome one another.**

**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 Prayers of Confession

#### Assurance of Pardon

The congregation stands to sing

**Hymn 495** We Know That Christ Is Raised Engelberg

**Pastor:** The peace of Christ be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Passing of the Peace** (Worshippers greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

**Welcome and Announcements**

The children come to the Baptismal Font for a

**Time with Young Christians**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament** Isaiah 42:1-9

**Psalms 29:1-3a,4,5b,7-8a,9-10** Unison

**Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.**

**Ascribe to the Lord the glory of God's name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.**

**The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders.**

**The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

**The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.**

**The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.**

**The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness.**

**The voice of the Lord causes the oak trees to whirl, and strips the forest bare.**

**and in the temple all cry "Glory."**

**The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.**

**Anthem** O Come, Sweet Spirit Folk song, Waly Waly

O come sweet Spirit, heavenly dove, with light and comfort from above; be thou our guardian, thou our guide, o'er ev'ry thought and step preside. Lead us to thee that we may share the fullness of joy forever there. Lead us to God, our final rest, to be with him forever blest. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, angelic host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. (-- S. Brown, 1720, alt.; musical arrangement by Luigi Zaninelli, 1956)

**Gospel** Matthew 3:13-17

**Lesson from Acts** Acts 10:34-43

**Sermon** The Elementary Gospel Mike Krech

"... everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." Acts 10:43b

The congregation stands to sing

**Hymn 492** Baptized In Water Bunessan

**Apostles' Creed** Unison; Hymnal, page 14, Traditional

**Gloria Patri 579** Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

The congregation sits.

**Installation of Ruling Elders, Class of 2022**

Kevin Bopp, Bob Gammon, Emily Mayne

**Scripture Sentences**

**Statement on Ordination and Installation**

**Questions to the Elders Elect**

The congregation stands to respond to the

**Questions to the Congregation**

Do we, the members of the church, accept Kevin, Bob, and Emily as ruling elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

**We do.**

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

**Hymn 524** Holy Spirit, Lord of Love Salzburg

The congregation sits.

**Prayer of Installation**

**Declaration of Installation**

**Charge**

**Welcome** (Worshippers are invited to come forward and welcome the new elders.)

**Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication**

**The Lord's Prayer** (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

**Offertory Sentence**

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The congregation stands to sing the

**Doxology 592** Old Hundredth

**Benediction**

**Recessional Hymn 356** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Nettleton

**Postlude**