

The Order of Service for the Worship of God
Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church
January 15, 2017
Baptism of the Lord

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GREETINGS OF PEACE

Leader: The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE "How Can I Keep From Singing?"

Robert Lowry
Arr. Lani Smith

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

+CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 29

Mike Steele, Liturgist

Leader: O heavenly beings, honor the glory and power of the Lord! Honor the wonderful name of the Lord and worship the Lord most holy and glorious.

People: The voice of the Lord echoes over the waters and his voice is mighty and marvelous.

Leader: The voice of the Lord makes lightning flash and the desert tremble.

People: The Lord rules on his throne. Pray that our Lord will make us strong and give us peace.

+**HYMN OF PRAISE** "**Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**" **No. 475**
Tune: NETTLETON

CALL TO CONFESSION

Liturgist

Let us come before the throne of God with humble and open hearts, seeking forgiveness:

UNISON CONFESSION

God of majesty and power: Even as your voice shakes the wilderness and strips the forest bare, so it also shakes us, and strips us of pretensions and illusions. In your presence we know without doubt how we have wandered from your way, dishonored your name, and failed to fulfill our calling. Have mercy on us, Lord. Your word brings order to chaos, light to darkness, life to death. Speak to us again your promise of newness experienced in our baptism. Call to us again in

righteousness. Take us by the hand and keep us, so that we may live to please and praise you. In Christ we pray, Amen

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESION

+**KYRIE** "**Lord Have Mercy**" (sung responsively) Cantor, Evan Adair
Lord Have Mercy.... Christ Have Mercy..... Lord Have Mercy

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (from Matthew 7:7, Luke 11:9)

One: Jesus said; "Ask, and you will receive; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door shall be opened to you."

All: God abounds in love and mercy and welcomes our return, for in Christ, God came to us that we might have abundant life!

All: Thanks be to God!

+ASSURANCE HYMN "**Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me**" **No. 71**
(Refrain Only From Isaiah 12)

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in Him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and He will be my Savior.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Mike Steele

ANTHEM

"Come to the Water"

Joseph Martin, Mary Martin

There is a river in Galilee. Come to the water, everybody come.
The river is wide and the water is deep. Come to the water, everybody come.
Gather at the river and heal your soul. Come to the water, everybody come.
Drink of the fountain and be made whole. Come to the water, everybody come.

(Refrain) Come to the water, gather at the river, come to the water, love is waiting there.
Come to the water, and flowing river. Come to the water, everybody come.

Come to the river so crystal clear. Come to the water, everybody come.
Come and wash away your every fear. Come to the water, everybody come.
Wade in the waters that purify. Come to the water, everybody come.
Drink from the Spirit that shines with life. Come to the water, everybody come. (Refrain)

Come to the water, gather on the shore. Come to the water, sing unto the Lord.
Come to the water, live forevermore. Come to the water, everybody come. *

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Matthew 3:13-17; p. 3

READING FROM THE LETTERS

Ephesians 4:1-7; p. 182

SERMON

"Remember...you are baptized..."

Rev. Maggie Lauterer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

+HYMN OF RESPONSE *“Shall We Gather at the River”* **No. 375**
Tune: HANSON PLACE

Remembering our baptisms – Congregation will be invited to come to the Baptismal Font and remember their baptism in the Lord.

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *“I Believe in God the Father”* **Hymn 481**
Tune: GENEVAN

OFFERINGS OF OUR LIFE AND LABORS

OFFERTORY “Thy Word is Like a Garden, Lord” Samuel Wellman

+DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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

SERVICE FOR ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDERS

Leader: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

**People: There are different ways of serving God,
but it is the same Lord who is served.**

Leader: God works through each person in a unique way,
but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

People: To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

Leader: Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

LAYING ON OF HANDS

Leader: Almighty God, in every age you have chosen servants to speak your word and lead your loyal people. We thank you for these people whom you have called to serve you. Give them special gifts to do their special work; and fill them with the Holy Spirit, so they may have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, and be faithful disciples as long as they shall live.

People: God of grace, who called us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation: give us courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us; that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ the Lord of all. Amen.

+SENDING HYMN *“We Know that Christ Is Raised”* **No. 485**
Tune: ENGELBERG

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE

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+Indicates those who are able may stand.

RUMPLE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Rumble Memorial Presbyterian Church! Visitors, we hope that you will feel welcomed in your time with us today. We hope you will fill in the card in the pew so we can be in touch with you. Our church was organized in 1887 and is a member of Salem Presbytery, Synod of Mid-Atlantic in the Presbyterian Church USA. If you have any questions, our pastor and elders will be glad to help you.

Leading worship: Rev. Maggie Lauterer, Interim Pastor; Mike Steele, Liturgist; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Jonathan Asbell, Accompanist; Miller Hankins, Acolyte; Jim and Karen Clabough, Vernon and Drew Dunn, Ushers and Greeters

Child care is provided for children ages infant through 5 years old during worship in the Keys Church Nursery area downstairs staffed by Kelly Ginsberg and Claire Denness.

Volunteer NEXT Sunday: Ann Rhyne

Children's Church: After "Time with the Children", all children ages K-2nd grade are invited to follow our adult leaders to the Butterfly Classroom upstairs for their own worship time. Children may be picked up by their families in the classroom after worship (from the lobby, take the stairs or the elevator to the top floor). **Volunteer NEXT Sunday: Wes and Lynne Waugh**

Keep in your prayers...David Baskin, Pat Coley, Earl Trexler, Wayne Holliday, JoAnn Jones, Nancy Trexler, Jim Burgess, Molly Bowden, Cecil Brandon. Please contact Hazel that we may list other prayer concerns.

Ordination and installation of new elders will be part of worship today. There will be a reception to welcome the new and retiring elders following worship in the Lobby. Many thanks and appreciation to Wayne Holliday, Jim Ruff, Rita White and Donna Whitt. These elders retire today from active membership on the Session after having served three years. We welcome the class of 2019: Kim Rogers, Misty Mayfield, Cullie Tarleton and Davis Hankins who begin active service on the Session today.

The Youth Group is at Myers Park Presbyterian Church this weekend to participate in their CROSS Mission Weekend since the snow cancelled their trip last weekend. They will return today just after worship.

The Rotary Blood Drive will be held at Rumble on Tuesday January 17. It is by appointment only and you may contact Joe Kiker at 295-6684 to make an appointment.

Our Wednesday after school programs will return on January 18. If you have a child, grandchild or friend who is in Kindergarten - 8th grade, invite them to participate! To register, please contact Cameron Womack.

Montreat Interest Meeting: If you are interested in the Montreat Worship and Music Conference and/or the Montreat Youth Conference this summer, Cameron and Dave will hold an interest meeting on **Sunday January 22 at 12:15 p.m.** in the library. Come and learn more!

The Annual Congregational meeting will be after worship on January 29. The 2017 budget and annual report will be given. Also, this meeting will include the Pastor Nominating Committee's nomination for our new pastor. Information about the candidate will be provided and a vote will be taken at that time.

The Flower Chart Would you give our flowers one Sunday in January or February? Please sign up to give flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a happy event. The new 2017 flower chart is on the wall behind the desk in the lobby, or a sign-up form can be found in the Friendship Pads in the pews.

Pledge Cards – Please remember to turn in your pledge cards. If you need a card, please contact the church office.

The new pledge envelopes are here! They are on the display case in the lobby. This year's envelopes do not have dates or names, so please take one if you would like.

Weekly Offerings at Rumble in December

December 18 \$ 5,753

December 25 \$ 5,771

January 1 \$ 8,937

Rumble Memorial Presbyterian Church Inclement Weather Policy

In the case of inclement weather, you can find out about any cancellations of our worship or Sunday activities on our church's website – rumplechurch.org or by going to ncweatherclosings.com and Raysweather.com. There may be occasions when the weather is so severe that our activities need to be cancelled. Please use your judgment in deciding whether you wish to venture out on days with snow and ice.

This Week at Rumble

Sunday 1/15/2017

9:45 Sunday School

11:00 Worship

12:00 Reception for Elders (Lobby)

Worship Committee will meet at Johnny and Brenda Lentz' home after worship

Monday 1/16/2017

4:00 Finance Committee

Church Offices will be closed

Tuesday 1/17/2017

Rotary Blood Drive at Rumble

Wednesday 1/18/2017

11:00 Staff Meeting (L)

2:30-4:30 KICKS and Fusion

6:00 Handbells

7:00 Sanctuary Choir