

# Tryon Presbyterian Church

January 11, 2026 - 10:30 am

## Baptism of the Lord Sunday

*To be and make disciples of Jesus Christ, who love God and their neighbor.*

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD OF GOD

#### BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND LOVE OF CHRIST

##### PRELUDE

A Festive Trumpet Tune on “Simple Gifts”

Jane Wilson  
Lehenbauer

##### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Amy McGrath

##### CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 29:1-4

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

Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name;  
**worship the Lord in holy splendor.**

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

##### HYMN

“Be Thou My Vision”

Hymnal Number 450  
Tune: SLANE

##### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you claim us and call us, you support us and uphold us, you save us and free us from our sin. Yet we slip into old habits, worshiping idols that have claimed our hearts, disregarding our impact on the earth and our neighbors. Forgive us. Meet us at the water again, that we might know we belong to you.

*Silent prayers and personal confession*

Through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

### **†RESPONSE**

“Love Has Come” (Verse 1)

Hymnal Number 110  
Tune: BRING A TORCH

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD**

### **TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Dr. Allan Purtill

*Children may be dismissed to Children’s Church.*

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Ellen Hendrickson

### **FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Isaiah 42:1-9 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, Old Testament page 670

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### **ANTHEM**

“The Calling”

Chancel Choir  
Dengler

### **SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Dr. Allan Purtill

Matthew 3:3-17 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, New Testament page 2

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### **SERMON**

“Remember And Renew”

Dr. Allan Purtill

### **ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS**

### **STATEMENT ON ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION**

### **REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT**

Relying on God’s grace, do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior?

**I do.**

With God’s help, do you intend to be Christ’s faithful disciple, obeying his word, and showing his love, to your life’s end?

**I do.**

Relying on God's grace, do we promise, through prayer and example, to support and encourage, nurture and teach, all who have been baptized to be faithful Christians?

**We do.**

Let us confess our faith...

## **†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen. - *The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version*

## **Prayer**

### **CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS OF THE ELDERS**

### **CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS FOR THE CONGREGATION** Skip Taylor

Do we, the members of the church, accept Jeff, Gail and Ken as 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.**

### **PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND THE 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## **WELCOME AND CHARGE**

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

Jane Wilson  
Carter

### †DOXOLOGY

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymnal Number 606  
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

### †PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### †HYMN

“I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”

Hymnal Number 69

*Persons wishing to receive the renewal of  
baptism may come to the baptismal font*

## SENDING OF THE CHURCH

### †CHARGE AND BLESSING

Dr. Allan Purtill

### †CARRYING CHRIST'S LIGHT AND LOVE INTO THE WORLD

### POSTLUDE

“Psalm XIX”

Jane Wilson

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*†The congregation is invited to rise in body or spirit.  
Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available.*

## Welcome!

We extend a sincere welcome to everyone who is visiting with us this morning. If you haven't done so, please be sure to pick up a welcome packet from one of the ushers this morning. If you are interested in learning more about Tryon Presbyterian or church membership, contact Rev. Dr. Allan Purtill. We hope that you will find the warmth and love of God in worship today.

### Ministry for Children

We welcome all children and infants in worship - they are at home in God's house! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it! We do have nursery care available for children ages 0-2 in "The Manger". Following the "Time with Children", children ages 3-7 are welcome to remain in worship or attend Children's Church in "The Ark". For all other children and youth, we have worship bags available in the Narthex.

## **Lunch & Life Story**

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, January 21, at noon. Join us at Calvert's in Columbus for a new opportunity to learn about our members. Dr. Ben Woodward will be sharing our first "Life Story". This is a Dutch Treat meal. Email Janet Gilchrist at [jsg138@hotmail.com](mailto:jsg138@hotmail.com) to reserve your seat.

## **Spaghetti Dinner**

Join us for a highly requested Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, January 24 at 5:30 PM. Sign up in the Narthex following the service or email Jacque Headden at [jacqueheadden@gmail.com](mailto:jacqueheadden@gmail.com). The cost is \$8 for adults, \$3 for children under 18. This is a pay in advance meal and there will be no take outs.

## **Acolyte Interest/Training Meeting**

Are you interested in becoming an acolyte? Or would you like the opportunity to acolyte more? If so, please join us for a short meeting after church on Sunday, January 25th. We will go over Acolyting basics and give everyone an opportunity to practice carrying the light of Christ! Contact Amy McGrath at [childrensministry\(tpc@gmail.com](mailto:childrensministry(tpc@gmail.com)) with questions.

## **Calling All Children's Church Volunteers!**

Children's Church is a short time during worship consisting of a story, snack, crafts and games. You will never be alone and this time is an excellent opportunity to get to know the youngest members of our church. If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact Amy McGrath at [childrensministry\(tpc@gmail.com](mailto:childrensministry(tpc@gmail.com)) .

## **Music Notes**

Today's anthem, "The Calling", by Susan and Lee Dengler, was chosen for today's Installation of Officers. The anthem is based on John 14:15 and is a call to service, and a call to spread light and love in the name of Jesus.

## **Congregational Meeting**

There will be a congregational meeting January 18th following worship for members to vote on the terms of call for our pastor as well as a Session recommendation to make minor changes to congregation bylaws and to allow the Session to make future changes to the church Policies and Procedures. A meeting of the church corporation also will be held when the congregation will be asked to approve small alterations to the corporate bylaws.

# THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

## Sunday, January 11

*Baptism of the Lord Sunday*  
9:30 am Sunday Breakfast - FH  
10:30 am Worship - S  
5:00 pm Glory Girls - FH

## Monday, January 12

4:00 pm Lydia Circle - TE  
5:30 pm AA Meeting - CR

## Tuesday, January 13

10:00 am Mom's Bible Study - EB  
11:00 am Chapel/Communion - TE  
12:00 pm Staff Meeting - JCR  
4:15 pm Children's Choir - CR

## Wednesday, January 14

3:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - CR  
6:00 pm Girl Scouts - EB

## Thursday, January 15

11:30 am Rotary Club of Tryon - FH  
3:30 pm Bell Choir - CR

## Friday, January 16

## Saturday, January 17

## Sunday, January 18

*Second Sunday after Epiphany*  
10:30 am Worship - S  
11:30 am Congregational Meeting - S

S=Sanctuary; FH=Fellowship Hall; EB=Educational Building; JCR=Jones Conference Room; CR=Choir Room; PS=Pastor's Study; TE=Tryon Estates; WO=White Oak

# We Remember in Prayer...

## MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

Joanne Alderman  
Clark Benson  
Donna Croft  
Judy Warden  
Betsy Zeek

## TRYON ESTATES MEDICAL - COLUMBUS

Mimi Child  
Margaret Covington  
Camilla Dick

## LAURELWOODS - COLUMBUS

Lila Corpener

## CARE OF LAKEWOOD

Esther Taylor

## RESTORATION AT WESTGATE

Betty Brewer

## FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH

Emily Helmick  
(*Janet Gilchrist's sister*)

Holly Muir  
(*Gail Muir's daughter*)

Marks Speight  
(*Charlie Speight's son*)

**...our church family and staff**

**...our partner school**, Sunny View  
Elementary School

If you would like the church to pray about an illness, surgery, or need pastoral and congregational care support, let us know by calling the church office at (828) 859-6683.

## Daily Bible Readings For This Week

<b>S</b> 01-11	Jer. 31:7-14; Ps. 147:12-20; Eph. 1:3-14; John 1:1-18
<b>M</b> 01-12	Psalm 89:5-37; Genesis 35:1-15; Acts 10:44-48
<b>T</b> 01-13	Psalm 89:5-37, Jeremiah 1:4-10; Acts 8:4-13
<b>W</b> 01-14	Psalm 89:5-37; Isaiah 51:1-16; Matthew 12:15-21
<b>T</b> 01-15	Psalm 40:1-11; Isaiah 22:15-25; Galatians 1:6-12
<b>F</b> 01-16	Psalm 40:1-11; Genesis 27:30-38; Acts 1:1-5
<b>S</b> 01-17	Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Kings 19:19-21; Luke 5:1-11

*Our church family expresses Christian sympathy to Robert More upon the death of his wife, Sophie who died on Friday, January 2, 2026. Please pray for their family.*



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### Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

8 am - 11:30 am, 12:30 pm - 5 pm  
(11:30-12:30 lunch hour)

Friday  
Closed

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