

Order of Worship January 9, 2022 Baptism of the Lord

Prelude

Baptized in Water (9:00 a.m.)
O God, Our Help in Ages Past (11:00 a.m.)

Call to Worship (Responsive)

from Isaiah 43:1

One: But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:

All: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

Hymn No. 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (11:00 a.m.)

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God, you call us to beloved community with you and each other. As we turn against each other in anger and hate, over and over again you claim us as beloved. While we let ourselves be led by doubt and fear, you repeat throughout the generations: "Do not fear." Redeeming God, forgive our worldly ways. Help us to trust in your claim upon our lives. Call us once again for the work of building your beloved community. Amen.

Word to Grow By (11:00 a.m.)

Prayer for Illumination

Example 2.15-17, 21-22

Second Reading Isaiah 43:1-7

Sermon Called, Created, and Re-created, Rev. Kathy Reed

Ordination and Installation of Elders & Trustee

Karen Cochran, Debbie Duin, Katie Forster, Steve Hickok, Carlie Kaeppler, Dave Lindahl, Lila Wright, Donna Yeager; Ellen Sherling, Trustee

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

from A Brief Statement of Faith

Here I Am, Lord, Karen Herring, soloist

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Communion (9:00 a.m.)

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (11:00 a.m.)

Hymn No. 757 *Today We All Are Called* (11:00 a.m.)

Benediction

Special Music

Postlude

How Firm a Foundation (9:00 a.m.)

In Christ Alone (11:00 a.m.)

Liturgist: Terry Ley

Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church, Auburn

New to the Presbyterian Church USA? We would love to share with you more about our Reformed tradition of theology and worship.

New to Auburn, or simply new to this congregation? We'd love to share with you more about the rich history of this church and its valuable contributions to the Auburn community.

Searching for a church home? We would love to join you in that search and help discern whether First Presbyterian may be where God is calling you to be nurtured, inspired, and empowered.

Please take a moment to fill out our <u>online Friendship Register</u> or you may contact either of us directly.

Revs. Nick and Kathy Reed, Co-Pastors