



ANAHEIM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 10, 2021

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

You are encouraged to join us in lighting a candle in your home as the service begins.

CHORAL INTROIT

Lift Up Your Heads

Hal Hopson

CALL TO WORSHIP

The heavens open. The Spirit descends.

Jesus emerges from the water.

And a voice echoes through the blue expanse.

"This is my child, the Beloved, with whom I am well-pleased."

Jesus is named. Loved. Claimed.

We come to the water. We remember we are named. Loved. Claimed.

Can it be so? What a thing to be beloved by God!

Let us worship the One who names and claims us still.

HYMN NO. 429 (vs. 1 & 3)

Baptized with Water

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit, Cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;

Heirs of salvation, Trusting the promise, Faithfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit, Marked with the sign of Christ, our King;

Born of the Spirit, We are God's children, Joyfully now God's praises we sing.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator of the universe, we stand amazed at your power and glory. We are eager to worship you and offer our praise, but we are often reluctant to answer when we hear you calling our name. We sing our songs of tribute in the sanctuary, but shy away from the river, lest we be baptized with the fire of the Holy Spirit. Forgive us when we forget your promise to be with us always, O God. Renew us with the power of your ever-present love, and strengthen us to proclaim your justice throughout the world. Amen.

ANTHEM

All Loveliness New-Born

Bradley Ellingboe

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 3:13-17

SERMON

“Beloved”

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God,
do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I do.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

I do.

Will you be Christ’s faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

I will, with God’s help.

PRAYER & 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.

HYMN NO.366 (v. 1 & 2) *Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

*Jesus, Thy boundless love to me no thought can reach, no tongue declare;
O knit my thankful heart to Thee, and reign without a rival there!
Thine wholly, Thine alone, I’d live, myself to Thee entirely give.*

*O grant that nothing in my soul may dwell, but Thy pure love alone;
O may Thy love possess me whole, my joy, my treasure, and my crown!
All coldness from my heart remove; may every act, word, thought be love.*

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Aria

G. F. Handel

Today's Worship Leaders

Kim Skilling, Pastor

David Hughes, Director of Music

Carol Hughes, Accompanist

AFPC Intern Choir

Sam Miller and Olivia Kellett, Soloists

Abbott Hatch, Video and Sound