

The Baptism of the Lord
January 7, 2018 10:00 AM

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Tower Bells

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

The Gathering

(The Worship Service begins with the prelude. Let us silently prepare our hearts and allow others the same opportunity.)

Prelude

There is a Fountain

Mark Hayes

***Call To Worship**

One: The heavens open. The Spirit descends.

All: Jesus emerges from the water.

One: And a voice echoes through the blue expanse.

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

One: Jesus is named. Claimed.

All: We come to the water. We remember we are named. Claimed.

One: Can it be so? What a thing - to be named. Claimed.

All: Let us worship the one who names and claims us still.

***Hymn**

"Baptized in Water"

No. 492

Prayer of Confession (*Please Be Seated*)

We are incredibly stubborn, O Lord. We have entered the season in which Your Light has been given to the world, your blessings have been poured out on the world, and yet all we can think about is our own problems, our own needs, our own desires. Help us to desire you, Lord. Help us to yearn for your presence.

Pour your baptismal waters over us again, cleansing us from our self-pity and arrogance. Nourish and heal us so that we may joyfully serve you. Let us receive the blessings offered in creation, in the birth and baptism of Jesus, and in the ministry of the saints of light. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Time for Personal Prayers of Confession (In Silence)

The Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri** (No. 579)

***The Peace**

Leader: Jesus said, Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

People: **May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God.**

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

(Greet those about you, sharing signs of peace and reconciliation)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Lesson Genesis 1: 1-5 (Blue Bible p. 1; Black Bible p. 1)

Nursery is Available for young children

New Testament Lesson Mark 1: 4-11 (Blue Bible p. 32; Black Bible p. 34)

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

Sermon Title:

"Connected To God"

The Rev. Dr. Peter Kelley

***Hymn**

"Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed"

No. 499

***Affirmation of Faith** (The Apostles' Creed)

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.

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

One: Sisters and brothers in Christ, our baptism is the sign and seal of our cleansing from sin, and our being grafted into Christ.

All: Through the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Christ, the power of sin was broken and God's kingdom entered our world.

One: Through our baptism we were made citizens of God's kingdom, and freed from the bondage of sin.

All: Let us celebrate that freedom and redemption through the renewal of the promises made at our baptism.

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Hymn (seated) No. 2051 "I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry"

(When the Leaders signal, those who wish may come forward by way of the center aisle to the font to receive a blessing. Please return to your seat by way of either side aisle.)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Water of Love

Mark Knopfler

Tony Nish and Peter Gatz

*Doxology (#592) and Prayer of Dedication

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn

"Lord, When I Came Into This Life"

No. 522

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Postlude in D

G. Young

*(Those who are able may stand.)

Liturgist:

Vickie DeFriest

Music Team:

Kim Palermo-Bogardus and Mary Mraz

Ushers:

Carol DeLong and Cyn Mellas

Greeters:

Fran and Arthur Leudesdorf

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL THIS MORNING are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Lydia Numbers.

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY	11:00 AM	Fellowship Time
MON.,	5:30 PM	Zumba meets in C. E. Building
	7:00 PM	AA Meets in the 1836 Manse
TUES.	10:00 AM	Prayer Group meets in the 1836 Manse
	12:30 PM	AA Meets in the 1836 Manse
WED.,	6:00 PM	Maureen's Haven
	7:30 PM	AA Meeting
FRI.,	6:00 PM	Overeaters Anonymous
SAT.,	10:30 AM	AA Meeting
SUN.,	9:00 PM	Bible Talk – I Samuel 3: 1-10 (11-20); Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18; I Cor. 6: 12-20; John 1: 43-51

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated next on January 21st.

For those worshipping with children under the age of 3, our downstairs Nursery is a clean, safe space and is staffed with a qualified and trained Nursery Care Giver. Ask an Usher or Greeter for instructions.

***** 2018 WINTER RETREAT *****

Parents, singles, families, and youth are invited to take a short weekend to get away from it all with some friends and new friends in the congregation!

January 26, 27, 28, 2018

Enjoy the winter beauty of the Presbyterian Center at Holmes, NY from the comfort of a blazing wood burning stove; take a short walk or a long hike on the many trails at Holmes; learn to downhill ski or snowboard at nearby Thunder Ridge Ski Area, or, simply accompany the group and watch the fun from the Ski Lodge...Prefer not to ski or snowboard? Then sled down some of the hills at the camp at Holmes; bring along that book you've been wanting to dive into for so long and take a nice long Saturday to read and relax; share good food and fun times with old friends and new ones.

We arrive as carpools or individually anytime starting Friday afternoon, and we depart Holmes after an informal Sunday worship service and lunch together.

**Information and Registration Forms are available in the Church Office and on the church website
[\[www.fpcsouthold.org\]](http://www.fpcsouthold.org)**

In Times Of illness or need, please inform the Church Staff. It is not safe to assume that they will hear of it any other way. Privacy laws make it difficult for us to "find you" in hospitals; in the event of a hospitalization, please give the information to Jan or Carol in the office (765-2597).

Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of Southold! Our identity can be seen in our most recent vision statement: *"We rejoice in the variety of talents, experience, and concerns each individual brings to this congregation through the Holy Spirit. We will gain strength from this diversity as we strive to be nurturing, relevant, and vibrant disciples of Jesus Christ."* If you would like more information about our church, please indicate this in the Attendance Registration. Rev. Kelley or one of the members of the Church Growth Committee will be glad to speak with you.

WANTED: New or VERY Gentle Used Warm Clothing

(sizes L, XL and XXL) mostly men

The First Presbyterian Church Family is once again participating in Midnight Run to help feed and clothe NYC's homeless. We need coats, sweatshirts, hats, gloves, scarves, warm socks and blankets. All donations can be dropped off in the CE Building up until January 12th. Midnight Run: An Act of Justice. An Act of Sharing

Offering Envelopes for 2018 are available in the Narthex. Please note numbers have changed. If you do not find yours please let us know or if you have never had envelopes and would like them please let the office know. Thank you!

Water of Love

High and dry in the long hot day
Lost and lonely in every way
Got the flats all around me sky up above
I need a little water of love
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I've been too long lonely and my heart feels pain
Crying out for some soothing rain
I believe I have taken enough
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Water of love deep in the ground
No water here to be found
Some day baby when the river runs free
It'll carry that water of love to me

There's a bird up in a tree sitting up high Waiting for me to die
If I don't get some water soon I'll be dead and gone in the afternoon

Once I had a woman I could call my own Once I had a woman now my woman is gone
Once there was a river now there's a stone You know it's evil when you're living alone

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Mindfulness Series

Start the new year off by exploring your
Spirituality in one of 3 unique workshops

January 20th, 2018 230 -430 pm
First Presbyterian Church Southold



Workshop 1

Rediscovering your sacred within:
Activities to encourage finding your spritual essence. Includes meditation, silence and gentle movement. Wear comfortable clothing

Led by Peter Kelly and Claire Coopersino of North Fork Shala

Workshop 2

Spiritual Cooking:
What if we approach cooking as a spiritual experience? Immerse ourselves in fresh indredients and create something special with our hands. Then share it with the ones we love,

Led by Chef John Ross

Workshop 3

Art as a sacred path:
Creating Art frees our imagination and devlops skills to find inner peace and calm. Create in your own personal sketchbook and learn the benefits making art has on the body and soul.

Led by artist Melissa Hyatt

Choose one workshop, sign up and pay \$20 fee at the Church Office at
53100 Main Rd Southold 631 765 2597

Transportation, scholarships and childcare available on request.