



*The Baptism of Christ, Daniel Bonnell*

Holy One,  
untamed  
by the names  
I give you,  
in the silence  
name me,  
that I may know  
who I am,  
hear the truth  
you have put into me,  
trust the love  
you have for me,  
which you call me to live out  
with my sisters and brothers  
in your human family.

+ Ted Loder, *In the Silence, Name Me*

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## First Baptist Church on Fifth, Winston-Salem

BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY

(Snow) Sunday, January 12, 2025 • 11:00 AM

WELCOME & INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Emily Hull McGee

CALL TO WORSHIP

Susan Welch

Leader: In the beginning, the Spirit of God swept over the face of the waters.  
God spoke, and the heavens and the earth were created.

**All: At the beginning of Jesus' ministry, this same Spirit  
swept over the face of the baptismal waters, descending like a dove;  
and again God spoke: This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.**

Leader: May God's Spirit so move again in this hour of worship,  
continuing God's good work of creation in us,  
and reminding us that we are all members of God's Beloved Community.

**All: Glory to God: Creator, Christ, and Spirit!**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 43:1-7

Amy McClure

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Cyrus Bush

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sheree Jones

**We are precious in your sight,  
yet we often forget that we are your beloved.  
We confess that our love is fickle and inconstant.  
We follow selfish goals  
and deny that our way of life harms others and hurts your world.  
We are sorry and we want to change.  
Create in us a clean heart, O God.  
Strengthen our resolve,  
reconcile us one to another,  
and bless us with your peace. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Mary Kaylor

Leader: Siblings in Christ, hear this good news:  
As a voice from heaven said to Jesus, so God says to each of us:  
You are my beloved child, and with you I am well pleased.  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Leader: Let us share the sign of peace with these words:  
May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

Emily Hull McGee

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Kyle Caudle

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 trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

HOMILY: *"The Good Life: Beloved"*

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\*HYMN OF RESPONSE 295: *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

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THE LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

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