

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 13, 2019 - 10:45 AM



The Baptism of Our Lord cannot help but recall our own and all baptismal blessings. We recall and celebrate our adoption as daughters and sons, the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the promised company of almighty God when we "pass through the waters . . . the rivers . . . fire." On this day the heavens open again for this assembly, and we receive the gift of the beloved Son of God in bread and wine.

G.I.F.T. Zone Worship-Learning Area For Parents

We offer the parent-friendly G.I.F.T. Zone (in the left-hand transept of the main sanctuary) so that parents may share the worship experience with their children in a meaningful, stress-free way. This parent-friendly worship experience is located in the left-hand side area of the sanctuary. **Every child in the G.I.F.T. Zone should be accompanied by a family adult**—as the purpose is to provide an area for parents to help teach their children the routines and meaning of worship (until they are old enough to worship in the pews for the entire service).

For families who wish to take advantage of the G.I.F.T. Zone, there is child-friendly worship furniture plus adult chairs for parents. Feel free to sit in the special area throughout the service with your child - or come to the area with your child following the Children's Message. Parents and children use guided activities to help our youngest worshipers follow the readings, sermon, hymn, creed, and prayers. This is an awesome way for parents to share the rhythm of worship and have children/ parents engaged together in worship with the whole congregation, while learning the liturgy. At the 10:45 service, our nursery is also available for ages 0 - 3 (for children who have not yet reached the point to focus and benefit from the G.I.F.T. Zone activities).



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GATHERING MUSIC

"Born/Reborn"

Justin Rimbo

As we gather, we remain seated and join in singing to prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

Baptismal Anniversaries: John Imbert (1/14); Mark Stuart (1/14); Chris Collins (1/15);

Adele Lindberg (1/15); Charles Tracy (1/15); Anna Graves (1/22)

(Individuals meet the Pastor at the font for a special blessing in recognition of their anniversary.)

Musical score for "Born/Reborn" in 4/4 time, featuring a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The score consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Born re - born! Born re-born! Formed re-formed, Souls with glad-ness now a - dorned! Born re-born! Born re-born! Formed re-formed, Praise our God for-ev-er-more! 1.Drown us, Raise us, 2.Name us, heal us, Mark wash us, Claim seal us! Born re".

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTALLATION OF CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL/OFFICERS

The following people have been elected to positions of leadership. We give thanks for their willingness to serve. In baptism we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God; we rejoice now that these sisters and brothers will lead us in our common life and our mutual mission as a congregation.

Adam Woodruff, president

Vickie Crapps

Wes Levitt

Jan Berger, vice-president

Doug Danner

Wendy McKenzie

Midge Gunvalson, secretary

Emma Harris, youth rep.

Jeff Tenhover

Bill Franck, financial secretary

Julie Ann Harris

Gay Walter

Mike Davidson, treasurer

Dea Jones

A reading from First Corinthians: There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

You have been elected to positions of leadership and trust in this congregation.

You are to see that the words and deeds of this household of faith bear witness to God, who gathers us into one together with the whole church.

You are to seek to involve all members of this congregation in worship, learning, witness, service, and support, so that the mission of Christ is carried out in this congregation, in the wider church, in this community, and in the whole world.

You are to be faithful in your specific area of serving, that the Spirit who empowers you may be glorified. You are to be examples of faith active in love, fostering peace, harmony, and mutual understanding in this congregation.

On behalf of your sisters and brothers in Christ, I ask you: Will you accept and faithfully carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been elected?

R: I will, and I ask God to help me.

The assembly stands. Those being installed face the assembly.

People of God, I ask you: Will you support these, your elected leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized?

People: We will, and we ask God to help us.

I now declare you installed as officers/council members of this congregation. Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and your deeds in peace, that you may be faithful servants of Christ.

People: Amen.

We face the cross at the entrance of the sanctuary. We turn to follow the cross as it enters.

ENTRANCE HYMN

"Oh Love, How Deep"

ELW #302

APOSTOLIC GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.



THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM & BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARY MILESTONE

Leader: A voice from heaven declared, "You are my Son, my Beloved!"

People: In the name of the Father...

Leader: John the Baptist baptized Jesus in the Jordan River and declared. "I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

People: In the name of the Son...

Leader: The Spirit, descending from heaven like a dove, came upon him.

People: In the name of the Spirit.

Leader: With a splash of water and word of promise, we are called children of God. We are gathered together to remember our baptism, as we say...

People: In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Amen.

Pastor: When you were baptized, those words were proclaimed with the pouring of the water. God's promise of love for you was sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit and the sign of the cross became your emblem.

People: We have been marked with the sign of the cross as a daily reminder and symbol that we have been redeemed by Christ, the crucified.

(Parents make the sign of the cross on the foreheads and hearts of those who are celebrating their 1st Baptismal Anniversary milestone. All others worshippers re-trace the sign of the cross for themselves.)

Pastor: We remember that baptism not just as an event, but a way of life: by the action of the Spirit, it begins a daily drowning of our old selves and a daily rising to our new life in Christ. We affirm that each of us is on a journey of faith that continues today and for the rest of our lives. We are beloved children of God, adopted by God to be sisters and brothers of Jesus, God's own Son.

People: Help us, Lord, to continue our journey with you.

Leader: The following were claimed by God as brothers & sisters of Jesus, through their baptism in 2018: Fiona Peterson, Maria Sorial.

(Candles are given to those present, signifying their 1st Baptismal Anniversary milestone.)

Pastor: As we see Christ's light shining in them, let it remind us to reflect the light of Christ and let his light shine through us.

People: We are beloved children of God. Let us celebrate the joy of God's love in our lives every day!

We are seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Adam Woodruff

Children, youth, and young at heart are invited to gather on the steps for a special message. Toddlers may be accompanied by parents. All may bring forward coins or dollars for the bucket collection (LS Family Assistance Fund). Following the message, young children and parent(s) are invited to the G.I.F.T. Zone for special activities that help young ones participate in worship through the middle portion of the service. As the children gather, we sing:

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.

So we gather in His name, offering our love and praise.

Jesus loves the little children of the world.

FIRST READING

Lector: A reading from Isaiah.

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made." (*Isaiah 43:1-7*)

Lector: Word of God, Word of life.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29

Lector: Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

Lector: The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

**People: The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**

Lector: The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**People: the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

Lector: The voice of the LORD
bursts forth in lightning flashes.

**People: The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

Lector: The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.
And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

**People: The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

Lector: O LORD, give strength to your people;

People: give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

SECOND READING

Lector: A reading from Acts.

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

(Acts 8:14-17)

Lector: Word of God, Word of life.

People: Thanks be to God.

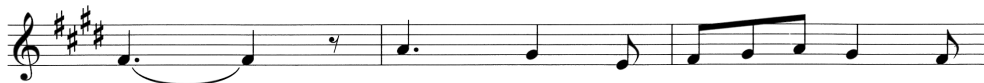
We stand for the reading of the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation:



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we



go? You have the words of e - ter - nal



life. Al - le - lu - ia!

Repeat optional

GOSPEL LESSON

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Pastor: As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." *(Luke 3:15-17, 21-22)*

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

Born re - born! Born re-born! Formed re-formed, Souls with glad-ness now a - dorned! Born re -
 born! Born re-born! Formed re-formed, Praise our God for-ev-er-more! 1.Drown us, Raise us,
 2.Name us, heal us,
 Mark us, Claim us!
 wash us, seal us! Born re

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Pastor: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Pastor: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

People: I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

People: I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

People: I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Pastor: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

People: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

Pastor: People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

People: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence both now and forever.

People: Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assist: United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

+ A brief silence +

Assist: We pray for the church. Pour out your Spirit upon us and enliven us for mission. Draw us together in love that we may be one. Lead us in the way of your beloved Son. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Assist: For the earth. Sustain oceans and seas, rivers and lakes, marshes and wetlands. Watch over dormant plants and hibernating animals as they rest in your care. Renew your creation and protect all creatures from harm. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Assist: For the nations. Inspire leaders to work for the common good. Grant courage to those who put themselves at risk to protect others. Turn us away from violence and teach us to live in peace. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Assist: For those in need. Protect children and vulnerable adults who depend on others to provide for their daily care. Uphold those who struggle with depression. Console the grieving and heal the sick, especially *Jim Glander; Rhett Hair; JoAnn Pulse; Helen Bradham; John McDonald; Allyson Dunleay; Alana Newman; and those we name before you now, either silently or aloud....* Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Assist: For this assembly. Bless the newly baptized. Renew your children in the covenant of baptism. Empower us by your loving Spirit to serve our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Assist: With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died. Hold us safe in your arms of mercy and bring us with them into your promise of life eternal. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

Assist: Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

PEACE IS SHARED

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always. **People:** **And also with you.**
We greet one another, with the words that the risen Jesus spoke to his disciples: "Peace be with you."

We are seated

OFFERINGS ARE GIVEN

For those who wish to give electronically, you may use the secure Givelify app.



MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

"A River Runs Through"

composed by Sandra Winter
Offered by the JuBELLation Handbell Choir

We stand as able

OFFERTORY HYMN



In the bleak mid - win - ter, frost - y wind made moan,
What . . . can I give him, poor . . . as I am?



earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone;
If I were a shep - herd I would bring a lamb;



snow had fall - en, snow on snow, snow on snow,
if I were a wise . . . man I would do my part;



in the bleak mid - win - ter, long a - go.
yet what I can I give him— give my heart.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Assist: Let us pray.

People: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THANKSGIVING & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

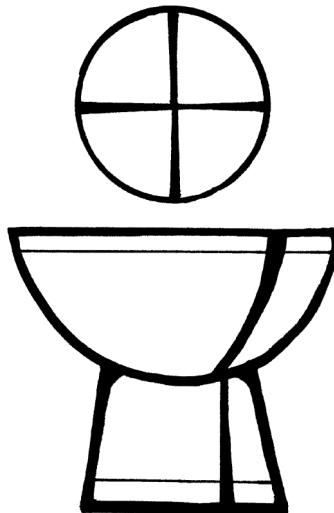
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

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

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.



LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

People: **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 and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor: Come to the table. Feast on God's abundant life for you.

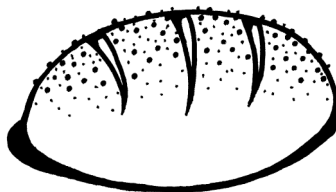
People: **Thanks be to God.**

We are seated

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,
grant us peace, grant us peace.



DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*This meal is the Lord's Supper of grace and is open to ALL Christians of any background or denomination. As Lutheran Christians, we believe in **Christ's true presence** in, with, and under the elements. We invite you to have your name tag visible so that the ministers may include **your name** as they offer you the elements. Communion at Living Springs is by **intinction** (bread is dipped into the wine or grape juice). In response to the words, "Body of Christ, given for you. Blood of Christ, shed for you," each worshipper may respond with, "**Amen.**" If you require a **gluten free wafer**, please let your worship assistant know so they can accommodate you. Each chalice contains two compartments: wine is located in the larger compartment, while **alcohol-free grape juice** is located in the smaller compartment for those who require it. After receiving the elements, you are welcome to remain kneeling at the rail for meditation and prayer (others may simply fill in the open spaces). **Children** who have not received communion instruction are invited to come forward for a special blessing. Simply fold your hands to indicate you would like to receive the blessing.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMN "Wash O God, Our Sons and Daughters"

ELW #445

We stand after all have received communion

EUCCHARISTIC BLESSING & PRAYER

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his grace.

People: **Amen**

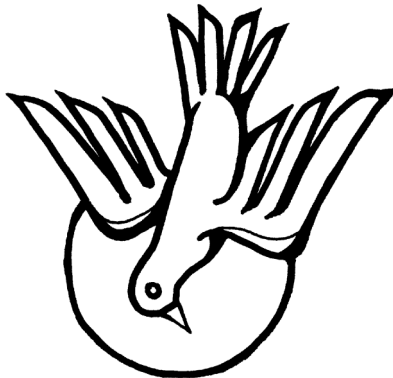
Assist: We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People: **Amen**

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✝ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

People: **Amen.**



SENDING HYMN

"Your Grace is Enough"

(While we sing, we turn and face the processional cross as it is carried out the center aisle.)

Verse 1

*Great is Your faithfulness O God
You wrestle with the sinner's heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart*

Verse 2

*Great is Your love and justice, God
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along*

PRE-CHORUS



and noth - ing can — keep us — a - part. — So, re -
and all — Your peo - ple sing — a - long. —



-mem - ber — Your peo - ple, — re - mem - ber — Your chil - dren, — re -



-mem - ber — Your prom - ise — O — God. — Your

CHORUS



grace is e - nough, — Your grace is e - nough — Your



grace is e - nough, — for — me. —

DISMISSAL

Assist: Go in peace. Bear the Spirit's fruit. Christ is your light.

People: Amen.

As we go out to serve the Lord, we encourage you to share the FaceTime Live Stream Casts from today's worship experience on your social media platforms using #GodsGraceForAll. You can find the live stream on our Living Springs FaceBook page: @livingspringscolumbia

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD:

Sharing Affirmations

As you prepare to worship today, take a moment to notice those gathering around you. There may be people you have known for many years, others you've known only a short time, and maybe some you have never met before. The assembly you see has been gathered together by the Holy Spirit on this day to share with one another the grace of God made known in Jesus Christ. These voices will share the word of God in readings, prayer, and song. These hands will give and receive signs of peace and bread and wine at the table.

In today's gospel we find another group of people gathering. John the Baptist has drawn them into the wilderness offering baptism with water. Amidst this assembly, Jesus Christ appears. He is baptized among them and receives divine affirmation: "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased" (Luke 3:22). From this assembly, Jesus goes forth to begin a ministry that will be marked by sharing with others the affirmation he received. The poor, the unloved, and the brokenhearted—they too are God's children, God's beloved, with whom God is well pleased.

Today, this affirmation is given to you and those around you to be rehearsed in this baptismal community. As worship ends, you, too, will be sent to share it with others. Throughout the coming week, in homes and workplaces, through service and prayer, during encounters with friends and strangers, the voices and hands of this assembly will continue the liturgy begun here out in the communities to which it disperses. In doing so, it will witness to one who is more powerful than any one of us: Jesus Christ. His love is present through the various gifts and callings we ourselves received in the waters of baptism. Thanks be to God!



THANK YOU FOR SERVING TODAY!

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LECTOR

Bob Turnmire

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Min. LaVone Griffin

Jan Berger

USHERS

Leslie Bloss

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Walker Flores

CRUCIFER

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COUNTERS

Mark Stuart (L)

Trish Davidson

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Adam Woodruff

COUNCIL DISCIPLE

Gay Walter

NAME TAGS

Gay Walter

SOUND TECH

Rocky Berger

MUGGER

Charles Tracy

FLOWERS

Ann Lynn Caughman

COFFEE

Bill Franck

REFRESHMENTS

Sandra Dixon

ALTAR GUILD

Tiffany Ginn

GUEST KEYBOARDIST

Trado Mayson



Seasonal Emphasis

The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness did not overcome it. John 1:5

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WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP THIS DAY!

We greet all who worship in the name of the Risen Savior!

*May the Spirit speak to your heart the message of God's redeeming love for everyone,
through the grace shown to the world in Jesus.*

*We gather as a community of disciples. Our center is Jesus Christ,
and we are here to know and share the blessing of his forgiving, healing hand.*

*If you have any questions about our congregation, please call 736-0661,
drop by our office (M - F 8:30-4:30) or visit our website at www.livingspringscolumbia.org.*

WELCOME GUESTS! – We are especially blessed by your presence today and look forward to worshipping with you again. Please take time to fill out the green slip in your bulletin and/or sign the welcome book in the narthex. New members are always welcome into our congregation. To learn more about becoming part of Christ's family of faith here at Living Springs, please contact the office (736-0661) or Pastor Eric (917-2749).

BULLETIN GREEN SLIPS - may be completed and placed in the offering plate for prayer requests, God Stories, guest information, address/phone updates, and a record of communing. Please complete at least one slip during 2019 to ensure we have a record of communing.

SEASONAL NAME TAG – In order to show hospitality, we ask everyone to stop by the table under the portico and complete a name tag with our seasonal scripture verse. The tags allow everyone to use names as we share the Peace - and allow communion ministers to speak your name (*please make sure your name is visible when you come to the altar rail*).

RESTROOMS – are located in the Administration Building on both levels. Greeters/ushers will be happy to show you the way. Main level restrooms are equipped with diaper changing stations. For your child's safety, please accompany them when they leave the Sanctuary to use the restrooms.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS - are now available, please see an usher or greeter.

HEARING ASSISTANCE – The ushers have headsets which will amplify the sound for you. Please return to an usher or leave in the pew at the conclusion of the service.

GLUTEN-FREE WAFERS & ALCOHOL-FREE GRAPE JUICE– are available during communion, for those who desire either.

G.I.F.T. ZONE - is a special area in our worship space for parents and young children who wish to worship together with more child-friendly furniture and special resources to utilize during worship.

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS – are distributed during the children's sermon.

NURSERY – is available for infants-3 years old during the 10:45 Worship Service; located downstairs in the preschool in the Education Building. Greeters/Ushers will be happy to assist you.

CHILD SAFETY – is very important to us, so we ask at least 1 adult to accompany your child if he/she leaves the Sanctuary during worship. Please do not allow children to play on the playground without parental supervision. During the week, church doors are kept locked to maintain security for our Preschool. Please ring the intercom by the office doors to check in.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME – is held each week following the 8:15 service and prior to the 10:45 service, inside the education building.

OUR PRAYER MINISTRY – As a community of disciples, we pray for one another and others - not just in times of illness, but also for praise, thanksgiving, and forgiveness. If you have a prayer request, simply fill out the bulletin green slip and place in the offering plate (or call/email the office). Please indicate if your request is for public or private prayer.