

Our Mission is to build a Christian community with all people.

Our Vision: By 2018, Wesley Park will strive to inspire from the youngest to the oldest and everybody in between to live out the greatest commandment: to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself.

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Wesley Park United Methodist Church

January 10, 2016, 11:00 am

Baptism of the Lord

We Gather Together

Gathering in Praise

Angels We Have Heard on High

arr. Chadwick/Barnes/Galbraith

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Words/Music by Brian Doerksen

Prayer

We Receive the Word

Children's Blessing

Prayer of Preparation

Glorious God, when Jesus was baptized for your healing mission the heavens opened in a flash of glory as vision and voice blazed upon the waters. May your Spirit so burn in us that we hear your word translated into deed and follow Jesus in paths of justice, right relationship, and peace. Amen.

Scripture

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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."

Sermon

Rev. Dean N. Prentiss

We Respond to the Word

*Praise

I Can Only Imagine

Words and Music by Bart Millard

Offering our Lives to Serve Christ

Stewardship Celebration and Invitation

Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, Witness

Offering

How Great Is Our God

Tomlin/Reeves/Cash

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, at his baptism, you acknowledged Jesus as your beloved Son, and through him you opened to us a way to become your children by grace. May these gifts we return to you be a sign of our dedication to live as your faithful daughters and sons, born in the waters of baptism by the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

We Take the Word into the World

*Charge

We have been with Jesus to the River of Jordan, river of life, river of promise. Go forth in the joy of life, to live as children of promise.

*Praise

I Can See Clearly

*Blessing

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, who stood with sinners on the river bank, uphold you. Amen.

May the love of God, who calls us beloved children, bless you. Amen.

May the power of the Holy Spirit, who descended upon Jesus as a dove, give you peace. Amen.

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able or comfortable.