

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION
CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - "May The Lord"

**May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.**

**Lift up your eyes and see God's face, full of grace forever;
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Next week's texts: Isaiah 62: 1-5; Psalm 36: 5-10; 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11; John 2: 1-11

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

now what

now what will you do with those gifts?

now what will you do with that love
God has given to you - to share with those you don't like?

now what will you do with that hope
God put under the tree - can you pass it on to a despairing neighbor?

now what will you do with that joy you didn't expect -
heard it all for yourself or hand it to a grieving widow?

now what will you do with that grace God stuck in your stocking -
leave it there or find the stranger who needs it?

now what will you do with all that forgiveness
God has given to you in the Babe -
throw it out with the wrapping paper
or offer it to the one who has hurt you so much?

now that Christmas is over, what will you do?

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WELCOME VISITORS!

We are delighted to have you in our service this morning! Every Sunday, we are privileged to have people attending our church for the first time and we want you to feel welcome among us. **Please stop by the Welcome Center right after service. We have a special gift for you.**

PLEASE SIGN THE FELLOWSHIP BOOK found in the pews. We would like to know of your presence this morning. **PLEASE SHARE PRAYER JOYS/CONCERNS** on the Prayer card; they will be included in the Prayers of the People during the 9:15 service, and added to the Prayer Chain if submitted at the 11:30 service.

A PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED IS AVAILABLE. WORSHIP BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN are available. Contact an usher for assistance.

TAPES OF THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON are available. Contact the church office or Art Sattler.

If you are in need of **Pastoral Care** or know someone who is, please call Rev. Pat at the church (419-475-4436) or at her home (419-841-7954).

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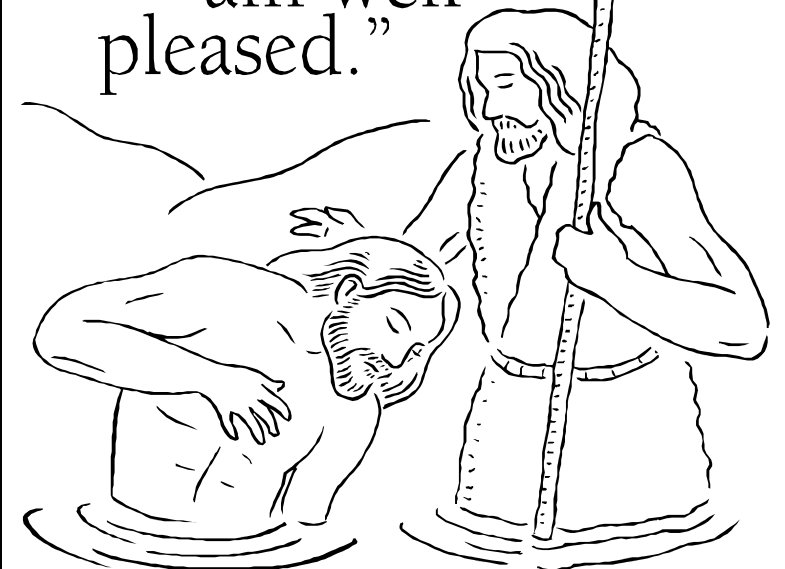
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And a voice came from heaven:

**"You are my Son,
whom I love;
with you I
am well
pleased."**



L u k e 3 : 2 2



9:15 AM

Welcome to worship with the Fairgreen family! The * symbol means, "All who are able, please stand." † indicates when latecomers may be seated.



Baptism of the Lord

PRELUDE Shannon Smith

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Please sign fellowship book found in pews.
This is the day that the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

SILENT REFLECTION
Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHORAL INTROIT "Spirit Song" Geneva Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP Dee Smale, Liturgist
As Jesus stood in Jordan's muddy waters, we come with all the unclear and muddy things in our life to worship God.
As Jesus submitted to John's baptism, we would submit our lives to love's transforming touch.
As Jesus trusted God's spirit to wash over him, we would trust God's spirit to wash away our sins and fears.
As Jesus left the Jordan to give his life to God, so we would leave here today with a renewed sense of God's presence in our lives.
We bring ourselves, wanting to be daughters and sons in whom God takes delight.
We come to worship God!

*HYMN ~ (see insert or screen) "Part of the Family"

THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH Rev. Pat
Children second grade and younger may leave afterward for Kids for Christ.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION
FIRST READING Psalm 29 pg.866 (OT) in the pew bible Dee Smale

11:30 AM

"Celebrate Jesus!" Worship Of Word And Sacrament

GATHERING MUSIC ~ "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" Praise Band

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
(Please sign **fellowship book in pews and place 11:30 after your name.**)

OPENING SET ~ King of Kings; Go, Tell It on the Mountain; You Are Mine

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

RESPONSE ~ Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH Rev. Pat

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Living God, help us to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe, and believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING Psalm 29 p.866(OT) in the pew Bible

ANTHEM "Lord, Have Mercy" Praise Band

SECOND READING Isaiah 43: 1-7 p.1126(OT) in the pew Bible

THIRD READING Luke 3: 15-22 p.1594(NT) in the pew Bible

REFLECTING UPON THE WORD Rev. Pat Lawrence Shafer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (sins) During the prayer, speak out loud the name of one who needs prayer and then say, "Lord, in your mercy. All then respond, "...Hear Our Prayers."

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE GIVING AND RECEIVING OF GIFTS
AND THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD
(As you come forward to receive the gifts of God place your offering in the Offering Plate)

**BLESSINGS OF THE BREAD AND CUP
COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD
PRAYER AFTER THANKSGIVING**

HYMN #525
POSTLUDE

“Here I Am Lord”
Shannon Smith

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men’s Prayer Breakfast ~ This is scheduled for Saturday, January 13 from 8-9am in the lounge. Come as we have a time of fellowship and growing in the word of God.

Annual Report ~ All written and financial reports are due today. Please place your report (s) in Darlene’s mailbox, which is located right across from Rev. Pat’s office.

2007 Per Capita Apportionment ~ The 2007 year per capita apportionment is \$26.54 per person. There will be a per capita giving envelopes in the packet of offering envelopes that was distributed to you. We thank you for helping us fulfill our Presbytery commitment by paying your per capita.

Results from Christmas Basket Outreach ~ Julie McLaughlin is with Harbor Behavioral. She had two families who needed Christmas and through IHN networking with Harbor, she asked Elizabeth Tore, IHN Director if IHN could help. Elizabeth asked Fairgreen if we could possibly fill a couple more baskets for the two families, which we did. Carol Yeager never says never! Not often do we receive feedback from grateful families. In this case, our church family needs to know their gifts, no matter how large or small, were truly appreciated. Paying it forward once again! Here is what was sent to Elizabeth Tore of IHN:

I just wanted to drop you a note to say how much everything that you and the churches put together was appreciated. One of the mothers cried for the longest time. I am not one to cry, however she had me in tears with her. She was so grateful. The other family was also very appreciative. The people at Fairgreen were incredible, helping me to put everything together and even in the car. That made my Christmas, knowing that these two families were able to celebrate.

Thank you so much, Julie

ANTHEM

“Like a Dove”

Geneva Choir

SECOND READING
THIRD READING
HOMILY

**Isaiah 43: 1-7
Luke 3: 15-22
“Now What?”**

pg.1126(OT) in pew bible
pg.1594(NT) in pew bible
Rev. Pat Lawrence Shafer

OUR RESPONSE

*HYMN # 319

“Spirit”

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD
OFFERING

Dee Smale

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God whose Son was Born this night. Praise Christ who came to give us light.
Praise Holy Spirit, Three in One; Let praises ring, thy will be done. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Dee Smale

THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS
THE LITANY OF GIFTS

There are different gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God’s purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

But it is the same God who achieves purpose through them all.

STATEMENT OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION
PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Peg Winslow, Clerk of Session

Representing the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church, the session of Fairgreen Presbyterian Church now ordains Gardy Bandfield, and Kay Amendola to the office of Elder, and Gina Beauregard and Kim Jensen to the office of Deacon and installs them to active service on their respective boards.

The session also installs to active service those who have been previously ordained:
Elders Alice Cole and Fred King and Deacon Joanne Crammond.

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT
RENUNCIATIONS AND AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

With the whole church let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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

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 and he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Eternal and gracious God,...By your Holy Spirit renew us, that we may be empowered to do your will and continue forever in the risen life of Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor, now forever. Amen.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION

Peg Winslow, Clerk of Session

Do we, the members of the Fairgreen Presbyterian Church, accept these people as our elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation, to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.**

Do we agree to encourage them, respecting their decisions, and to follow them as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is the head of the church? **We do.**

THE ORDINATION AND LAYING ON OF HANDS

PRAYER OF ORDINATION—

PRAYER FOR DEACONS

PRAYER FOR ELDERS

PRAYER BY THE NEWLY ORDAINED AND INSTALLED

Gracious God, you have chosen me. Now give me the strength, wisdom, and love to work for the Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER BY THE CONGREGATION

Peg Winslow, Clerk of Session

As the people of the Fairgreen Presbyterian Church, let us pray...

God of grace, you called us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation; give us the courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us; that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

WELCOME TO MINISTRY

*HYMN # 513

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

When Jesus sat at the table and enjoyed communion with tax collectors and sinners he proclaimed that God's care knows no bounds. We proclaim again the comfort and challenge of that witness: all are invited now to share God's table, and be nourished by the Bread of Life.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

May the God of glory be with you!

And also with you!

People of God, offer your hearts to God.

We give them to the One who comes to redeem us.

Sing songs of praise and joy, Children of God.

We lift our voices to the One who journeys with us through the waters of baptism and who feeds us at the Table of hope.

With the waters of baptism reminding us of your love for us, Heaven's Voice, we lift our praises to you...So, with angel choirs in every region, with shepherds who caroled a homeless family, with those who came home singing from exile, we lift our voices in joy and hope:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, bearer of grace and singer of truth...As we remember Christ's baptism, as we recall his life and ministry, as we follow him through death into the resurrection of new life, we proclaim that mystery called faith:

Great is the mystery of our faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Holy Spirit, fill us with the Bread of forgiveness and the Cup of hope...we will join our voices as one people, singing "Glory!" to God, Child, and Spirit, God in Community, Holy in One. Amen.