

January 8, 2023

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Baptism of the Lord Sunday
Service of Renewal and Baptismal Reaffirmation

Entrance

Gathering *(As we gather to worship please greet those persons sitting around you.)*

Prelude *(Please use this time to prepare yourself for worship.)*

Isn't He - arr. M. Hayes

Fairest Lord Jesus - arr. L. Riley

Chiming of the Hour

Greetings and Welcome *(During this time please pass the pew notebooks.)*

Lighting of the Altar Candles

*Invocation

*Opening Hymn

No. 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Proclamation

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 42:1-9

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Children's Time *(Children age 4 - 1st grade may leave for children's church.)*

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 3:13-17

Meditation

Response

Service of Renewal and Baptismal Reaffirmation

Response of the Community*(please read responsively)*

Pastor: Will you continue to nurture one another in the faith and life of this community--the body of Christ?

People: With God's help we will seek to proclaim the love of Christ, and we will strive to embrace one another with a community of love, forgiveness, and mercy. We will be intentional in our prayer for each other that we may always be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to abundant life.

Pastor: Will you love and care for your brothers and sisters in this community seeking to increase their faith, to confirm their hope, and to encourage the perfection of their love?

People: We will by the grace of God.

Pastor: Will you allow the Spirit of God to continue to work within you and through you, that grace and peace may abound in your life?

People: We will with God's help.

Pastor: Through a reaffirmation of our faith we find renewed direction and purpose for our life and ministry together.

People: We are all one in Christ.

Pastor: The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power

of the Holy Spirit, that you may continue to grow in grace and peace all of your life.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Ritual of Reaffirmation

*Hymn of Response *(1st verse only)*

No. 605

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

Joys and Thanksgivings/Prayer Concerns

Silent Prayers/Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer *(please pray in unison)*

**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.**

Offering of Our Gifts

Offertory

Jill Boliek, piano

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus - arr. D. Wyrzten

*Doxology *(sung in unison)*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

Sending Forth

*Closing Hymn

No. 347

Spirit Song

*Pastoral Benediction

*Postlude

Jesus Shall Reign with Great Is the Lord Almighty - arr. C. Tornquist

**please rise in body or in spirit*

If you are looking for a church home in the Raleigh area we would love for you to become part of our church family here at Pleasant Grove. Please contact the church office for more information about church membership.

The 11:00 a.m. worship service is being broadcast live on the internet and recorded for later viewing.

Weekly Prayer List

Concerns: Linda Hufnagel; Amanda Neal; Evelyn Castleberry; Betty Ann Starkes; Lydia MacKenzie; Diana Barbee; Brenda Cantu; Robbie Stewart; Thelmarene Hooper; Sharon Karlic; Keda Olive; Pam Richardson; Philip Strickland; Seth McCullen; Kristina Miller & her daughter; Sandy Castleberry; Gail Ellis; Ashley McCann's mom; Stacy Potratz's mom; Jeannette Day's mom, dad, & sister; Heather Wilson's dad; Martin Schreiner's mom & dad; Nikki Williams's mom; Kirk Pedersen's mom; Sandy Jennekens's mom, Norah; Kim Arwood's mom, Patsy; Lisa Beers's mom; Bryan Koprowski's dad; Travis Clinton's dad, David; Virginia Benner's mother-in-law; Trisha Myers's daughter, Rachel; Dale & Jane Stokes's son, Jared; Melissa Kennedy's grandson; Jane & Dale Stokes's granddaughter, Evelyn; Fay Davenport's sister; Diana Barbee's sister, Gloria; Trisha Myers's brothers, Bill & John; Teri Lowder's uncle, Doug; Jeff & Kristin Hoffmann's niece, Angie; Betty Pierce's niece, Donna; Philip Strickland's great-nephew, Jason; Dave & Cindy Hardy's friends' daughter, Pamela; Vickie McGee's friend, Scott; Pamela Wimbush-Cady's friend, Yulia.

To place a prayer request on the prayer list, please email your request to office@pgumc.org or you may fill out a prayer request card and place it in the offering plate.

This Week's Calendar

Today:

4:30 p.m. Quest & High School Youth

Monday:

5:30 p.m. Great Minds

6:00 p.m. Sewing Group

7:15 p.m. Administrative Council

Tuesday:

7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast @ Brigs

2:00 p.m. Sewing Group

Thursday:

10:00 a.m. Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Little Seedlings

7:00 p.m. Bible Study

Friday:

10:30 a.m. Friday Folders

The Great Minds kids enjoyed some wonderful meals in the Fall thanks to the generosity of the PGUMC congregation. Help is needed providing meals for the rest of the 2022 - 2023 school year. Dinners need to be ready to serve by 5:30 p.m. on Mondays in the Fellowship Hall. To sign up to help, please contact Elaine Guarnieri at ggelaine97@gmail.com. Thank you!

Below are the start dates for music ensembles this January. New singers and ringers are always welcome! For more information please contact Chris Dodson at chris.dodson@pgumc.org.

Chancel Choir: Wednesday, January 18, 7:00 p.m.

Coffee Chorus: Sunday, January 15, 7:30 a.m.

Hand Bell Choir: Sunday, January 15, 4:30 p.m.

Cantata Choir: Saturday, January 28, 9:00 a.m.

On Thursday, January 26, at 11:30 a.m our senior adults are invited to lunch and a sing along. We'll have a light lunch and then join together to sing hymns - old and new. No musical talent is required! If you are retired please join us. Still working? Take a break and come enjoy this fun time together. Please RSVP to Chris Dodson or Deborah Horton or call the church office.

During the month of January, the Outreach Committee is partnering with Dorcas Ministries to collect donations for light therapy boxes for those with seasonal depression. Light therapy boxes mimic the outdoor light that we miss in the winter months and have been shown to lift mood and reduce seasonal affective disorder. Light therapy boxes cost \$20 each and you can make a donation by writing a check to PGUMC and specifying *Light Therapy* on the memo line. The boxes will be distributed to food pantry recipients. To learn more about Dorcas Ministries, visit their website at www.dorcascary.org.

The Outreach Committee is collecting gently used coats for local agencies during the month of January. You can drop off clean gently used coats in adult and children sizes in the collection boxes in the Welcome Center. Thanks for helping your neighbors in need!

The MSYG Flower Fundraiser is back for the third year in a row! This year 50% of the proceeds will support MSYG and the other 50% will support a non-profit chosen by the youth at their first Spring meeting. Flower bouquets will be available for \$30 and delivered on Sunday, February 12. Orders must be placed by Sunday, January 29. Order forms are located in the pew notebooks.

Did you hear our Children's Choir sing their hearts out in December? Join in on the fun! Children's Choir starts back on Sunday, January 22, from 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. for children in 1st through 5th grades. Please contact Amanda Schreiner at a.meliosky@gmail.com with any questions. If you are interested in having your child participate in a Cherub Choir (kindergarten & younger), please contact Lucinda Sullivan at lucindasull@aol.com.

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