

JANUARY 12, 2020

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

10:45 AM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GREETING

Jason W. Crosby

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

ENTRANCE INTO WORSHIP

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

GATHERING SONG

Take Me to the Water

Spiritual/NETTLETON

REFRAIN: Take me to the water, take me to the water, take me to the water to be baptized.
None but the righteous, none but the righteous, none but the righteous shall see God.

Come thou fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy praise.
Streams of mercy never ceasing call for song of loudest praise. REFRAIN

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be.
Let thy goodness like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to Thee. REFRAIN

Shall we gather at the river where bright angel's feet have trod.
With the crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God. REFRAIN

Stanzas 1-2 by Robert Robinson; Stanza 3 by Robert Lowry

INVOCATION

Jordan Conley

*HYMN OF PRAISE 701

God Is Here!

BEECHER

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

CHORAL REFLECTION

Be Not Afraid

Craig Courtney

Chancel Choir; June Bailey, conductor; Louie Bailey, piano

Be not afraid: for I have redeemed you; be not afraid: I have called you by name.
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; when you pass through the floods, they will not sweep o'er you;
When you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed; you are mine, you are precious in my sight.
My love for you is everlasting, my love for you shall have no end. You are precious in my sight.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Andrea V. Woolley

*HYMN OF BAPTISM 758

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

THE BAPTIZED LIFE

Jason W. Crosby

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Brittani M. Bair

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.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

You are invited to make an offering of your gifts as well as a silent offering of yourself.

MUSICAL OFFERING

*Recitative and Aria
Comfort Ye/Every Valley*

George Frederic Handel
MESSIAH

Matthew Derrenbacher, tenor; Louie Bailey, organ

Comfort ye, my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem.
And cry unto her that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned.
The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness:
Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
Every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill made low:
The crooked straight, and the rough places plain.

Isaiah 60:1-4

*GLORIA PATRI 805

Glory Be to the Father

GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND COMMUNITY

We gladly welcome all who desire to unite with the community of faith at Crescent Hill Baptist Church to come forward during the Hymn of Response and share that decision with the minister.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

We, O God, Unite Our Voices

HYFRYDOL

In honor of the 112th anniversary of Crescent Hill Baptist Church

We, O God, unite our voices, raised in thankful praise to Thee.
Thou, unchanging, safe hath brought us through the ever-changing sea.
Days of calm and days of conflict, nights of darkness prove Thy grace.
Hands beneath us, arms around us, and above, Thy shining face.
Praise for saints whose love has stirred us, friends who taught our hearts to sing,
From their laughter, love, and anguish, hope will never cease to ring.
Mercy met us in their faces, glory, in their faithfulness.
As they lit the way before us, so may we the future bless.
Seeing then the task before us bind our hearts and hands as one.
May our labor be in union, our resolve and Thine be one.
With one spirit let us labor toward the bright horizon far.
In the midst of tempest peril be Thy cross our guiding star.

Not our choice the wind's direction, unforeseen the calm or gale.
Thy great ocean swells before us, and our ship seems small and frail.
Fierce and gleaming is Thy myst'ry drawing us to shores unknown;
Plunge us on with hope and courage 'til Thy Harbor is our home!

Grady Nutt and Paul Duke, 1981
Stanza 2, Paul Duke, 2008

*BENEDICTION

Jason W. Crosby

*SILENCE

*POSTLUDE

Morning Reflections

Louie Bailey

* Worshipers are invited to rise, in body or spirit.

- We welcome guest musician Matthew Derrenbacher, a rabbinical student at Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati and a Master of Divinity graduate of the Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.
- CDs of today's service may be ordered through the church office.
- Texts are reprinted by permission of CCLI License 1801331 and One License A718444.
- We invite those who wish to be baptized or join the church to share that decision with the church near the conclusion of worship. However, if you would prefer to explore baptism or church membership privately, the ministers would be glad to discuss those decisions with you following worship.
- Cover: John Baptizes Jesus; JESUS MAFA, 1973, from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.
- Crescent Hill Baptist Church was founded January 12, 1908. The banner celebrates our 112th anniversary.