Sunday, June 24, 2012 9:00am

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As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord’s presence.

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ

who is here to meet you today.

*“Be still and know that I am God.”* Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE *“Shall We Gather at the River?”* - arr. Robert C. Lau

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

 (Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 37*

 Leader: Trust in the Lord, and do good;

 so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.

 **People: Take delight in the Lord; trust in Him and He will act.**

\*HYMN *“Morning Has Broken”* *No. 469*

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Forgiving and gracious God, we come to You this Sunday thankful of how You have washed us clean in Your loving grace. In baptism You claimed us as Your own and You sealed us into eternity. Each one of us gathered here this morning belongs to the family of God through those waters that have cleansed us from the sin that separates us from You. What a tremendous realization this is. But Lord, we don’t live as if we have truly grasped it. We continue to turn our backs on our baptism like it has no real effect on our lives. Remind us daily of Your redeeming love that has made us pure in Your eyes. Through Christ our Savior, Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

*[Please share Christ’s peace with one another with*

 *handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]*

SPECIAL MUSIC *“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”* Holly Miller, Soprano

Words, Charles Wesley / Music, Joseph Martin

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING *Exodus 40:29-32 (OT p87)*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING *John 1:29-34 (NT p92)*

SERMON **The Gospel of John** Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

*“What is Baptism?”*

\*HYMN *“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”* *No. 387*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER *(p.16 in the Hymnal)*

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

 OFFERTORY *“Deep River”* - arr. Dr. Calvin Taylor

 \*DOXOLOGY

 *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.*

\*HYMN *“O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer”* *No. 223*

\*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me. Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now. With every step I take let this be my solemn vow. To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.**

\*POSTLUDE *“Like a River Glorious*” - arr. Chris Rice

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***“Come As You Are”***

11:11am

\*Praise & Worship

Greeting & Announcements

Prayer & Peace

Children’s Message

Scripture Reading:

 *Exodus 40:29-32*

 *John 1:29-34*

Sermon *“What is Baptism?”*

Offertory

\*Closing Song

\*Benediction

Sermon Notes: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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