



Sunday January 12, 2025
The Baptism of the Lord
The Sacrament of Baptism

We Prepare for Worship

Praise Band

Preparing our Hearts

And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." Matthew 3:17

Organ Prelude When Jesus came to Jordan *Daniel Burton*
*Processional Hymn: *All who the name of Jesus bear* #342

Welcome and Community Life News

We Worship God

The Call to Worship Olivia Garduno

L.: We are called to serve in the name of Jesus, God's beloved Son,

P: God calls us by name because we are beloved.

L.: God calls us to be a light to the nations.

P: We wait for God's teaching and to learn justice.

L: We are witnesses to God's goodness and grace who claims and loves us.

P: God's name be praised!

L: Let us worship God.

Introit: Lead me, Lord *Samuel Sebastian Wesley*

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer (debts)

The Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Praise Time Yet not I but through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace

*To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me*

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour He will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need His power is displayed

*To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me*

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

*To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me.*

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne

*To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me.*

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Yet not I but through Christ in me
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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We Listen for God's Word

Baptism and Reception of New Members

Personal Testimony

Nima Khazaeifard

(The children will proceed to the Sunday School)

Prayer for Illumination

Lorraine McBride

Scripture Readings:

Responsive Reading – Psalm 29

Zhenyi Li

#830

¹ Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings,
 ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

² **Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
 worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.**

³ The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
 the God of glory thunders,
 the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.

⁴ **The voice of the Lord is powerful;
 the voice of the Lord is majestic.**

⁵ The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;
 the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

⁶ **He makes Lebanon leap like a calf,
 Sirion like a young wild ox.**

⁷ The voice of the Lord strikes
 with flashes of lightning.

⁸ **The voice of the Lord shakes the desert;
 the Lord shakes the Desert of Kadesh.**

⁹ The voice of the Lord twists the oaks
 and strips the forests bare.

And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

¹⁰ **The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;
 the Lord is enthroned as King forever.**

¹¹ The Lord gives strength to his people;
 the Lord blesses his people with peace.

New Testament: Mark 1:4-11

NT p. 34

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: When Jesus Christ baptized was *Todd Marchand (ASCAP)*

Sermon: *Somebody Special* Rev. Dr. Heather Vais

*Hymn: *Christ, when for us you were baptized* #183

We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

*Doxology

#830

*Dedication of Offering

#350

*Recessional Hymn: *To God be the glory*

We are Sent out as God's People

*Charge and Benediction

*Musical Benediction

**Go now in peace, never be afraid,
 God will go with you each hour of every day.
 Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,
 Know He will guide you in all you do.
 Go now in love, and show you believe,
 Reach out to others so all the world can see.
 God will be there, watching from above.
 Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen**

Organ Postlude Herr Gott dich loben wir arr. Johann G. Walther

*if you are able, please stand

Welcome

We welcome everyone who is worshiping here with us today. We hope that you feel comforted in our fellowship and that you leave here refreshed and inspired in your personal life. You are invited to fill out a pew card.

***We welcome all children in worship. For children 5 years old and under, we have a nursery in the Christian Education wing where the service can still be heard. Our ushers are available to assist you. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Sunday School Today

A one-room Sunday School class is available for our junior youth today after the baptisms. **All children grades 1-6 are welcome.**

*After the service, please feel free to appreciate the postlude.
If you do leave the sanctuary, please do so quietly. Thank you.*

Important Notice from the Office

Our office Administrator, Nadine has resigned from her position. The office phones will be monitored, however, for urgent matters please contact Rev. Heather directly 416-949-3465.

All bulletin announcements should go to Rev. Heather too.

Offering Envelopes are available for pick-up in the lobby. Please pick your envelopes up even if you are registered with PAR.

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Custodian: Shadrack Obodai

**Duty Elders: Brian Solheim, Wendy Solheim,
& Russel Morden****UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE****Sunday January 12, 2025**

9:40 am – 10:15 am

10:20 am

11:00 am

Children's Choir – Chapel

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Worship Service – Baptism/New Members

Tuesday January 14, 2025

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

7:30 pm

ESL Class

Session Meeting - Zoom

Thursday January 16, 2025

7:30 pm

Chancel Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Sunday January 19, 2025

9:40 am – 10:15 am

10:20 am

11:00 am

Children's Choir – Chapel

Chancel Choir

Worship Service

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!!

Being received into our congregation today:

Through Baptism and Profession of Faith

Mojtaba Ahmadi

Maryam Mohtashami

Hossein Mousavi

Mona Ahmadi

Sina Afshar

Nima Khazaefard

Bahman Husseinpourmoghadam

Children through Baptism

Radvin Mousavi and Rose Mousavi

– son and daughter of Hossein Mousavi and Mona Ahmadi

By Profession of Faith

Medisa Moshkanifarahan

*We welcome our newest members and pray for God's blessing upon them as they grow in their faith within the community of the church.***Hey TPC YOUTH GRADES 1 – 12****Have we got a Mission Project for YOU!****Did you know that there are children and adults all over the world who do not have a nice cozy bed to sleep in?****Did you know that there is a way that YOU can help with something as simple as a Milk Bag?****Milk Bag Mats****On Saturday, January 25 from 3:00 to 6:30 p.m.
we are hosting a Pizza Dinner and
Milk Bag Mattress Making Workshop**

We are so lucky to have Angela Kesthely,
founder of Milk Bags Unlimited
take us through the important work
that her organization is doing with over 66,000 mattresses
donated to date
and over 37 million milk bags saved from landfills!!

Afterwards, we will learn how to build our own mattresses!!
And then we will start building and creating!

In order for us to have enough food and materials
you **MUST** register. Parents welcome!

Contact your youth leaders: Abel, Amy, or Rev. Heather

We are **BLESSED!** Let's be a **BLESSING** to others!

TPC 175th Anniversary Cookbook
Copies are still available for \$20 in the lobby.

Presbyterian Church in Canada Wall Calendars
are also available for \$10