

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #576

"Make Me a Servant"

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTILUDE

\* Stand in body and or spirit

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# Stockbridge Presbyterian Church

January 9, 2022  
11:00 a.m.

**Baptism of the Lord**



***For God so loved the world  
that he gave his one and only Son,  
that whoever believes in him shall not perish  
but have eternal life.  
John 3:16***

**PREPARING FOR WORSHIP**  
**(Please silence all electronic devices during this hour of worship.)**

PRELUDE

CHIMING THE TRINITY

CALL TO WORSHIP

Linda Roberts

Leader: The voice of God resounds upon the water.  
**People: The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream.**  
Leader: The Son of God is named, "Beloved."  
**People: And all who worship shout out, "Glory!"**  
Leader: Ascribe to the Lord majesty and strength.  
**All: Let us worship God in holy splendor.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN OF PRAISE #48 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us when our words and actions reflect a reluctance to confess you publicly as Lord of our lives. Forgive us when we fear that humbling ourselves would be seen by others as weakness, some kind of defect in our character. Lord Jesus Christ, fix your mind in us; remake us in your likeness; empty us of all that hinders us from following you to where pain and suffering, exploitation and injustice exist. Gracious and loving God, empower us with the Holy Spirit so that our lives continually glorify you and our tongues forever confess Jesus as Lord. This we pray in Jesus' name.**

*(Pray in silence)*

**Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news: "Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave...and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross."  
**All: Through his obedience we are freed from whatever sin enslaves us. Thanks be to God!**

GLORIA PATRI

**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.**

**PROCLAIMING AND ENACTING THE WORD**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Aaron Roberts

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING John 3:12-20  
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 2:5-11  
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, Rev. Kristy Ray  
our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

HYMN OF RESPONSE "For God So Loved the World"  
**For God so loved the World ,  
He gave His only Son,  
To die on Calvary's tree,  
From sin to set me free;  
Some day He's coming back,  
What glory that will be!  
Wonderful His love to me.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

BLESSING OF TITHES, GIFTS, AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM "Jesus' Baptism" Puerto Rican Carol, arr. Simeone  
Sanctuary Choir

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts. Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**