

Order of Worship
First Sunday after the Epiphany

Prelude Tony Schaffer, Organist

Processional Hymn *Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine* UMH 606

Welcome and Invocation Rev. Bruce Bradshaw, Pastor

*** Call to Worship** David Plummer, Liturgist

Leader: We have gathered to worship God as disciples of Jesus Christ, people who are striving to cultivate our living and active faith.

Cong: **Once we were not a people, but now we are the body of Christ, a living reminder of God's presence on earth.**

Leader: As the body of Christ, we are the church, people who are transformed by the renewal of our lives.

Cong: **We worship as people who are called out of darkness into the marvelous light of Jesus Christ.**

Leader: Amen.

Reading the Word of God

Scripture Reading John 2:13-25
Romans 12:1-2

Liturgist: *The word of the Lord.*

Congregation: *Thanks be to God.*

Message *Seeing Jesus Again, for the First Time* Bruce Bradshaw

Hymn of Response *Christ for the World We Sing* UMH 568

Announcements, Hopes, Joys and Concerns Bruce Bradshaw

Pastoral and Congregational Prayer

*Our Father in heaven; let your name be holy.
May your kingdom come; may your will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
¹¹Give us this day our daily bread.
¹²And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
¹³And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

Offering Life, Gifts and Tithes

Offertory Choir

*** Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95
*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

Hymn of Commitment *God of Grace and God of Glory* UMH 577

Benediction Bruce Bradshaw

Postlude Tony Schaffer, Organist

Those who need our Prayer

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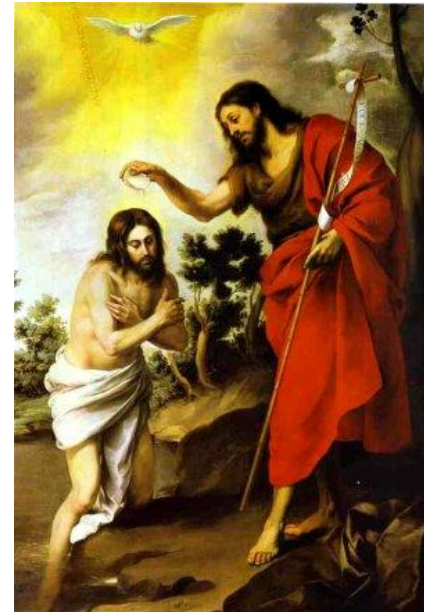
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Sermon Notes

Welcome to Worship

January 8, 2012 at 10:00AM



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