



till every age and race and clime  
 shall blend their creeds in one,  
 and earth shall form one family  
 by whom thy will is done.

4 So shall we know the power of Christ  
 who came this world to save;  
 so shall we rise with him to life  
 which soars beyond the grave;  
 and earth shall win true holiness,  
 which makes thy children whole;  
 till, perfected by thee, we reach  
 creation's glorious goal!

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, we confess that we have not always paid much attention to the baptism of Jesus, but viewed it as a nice story which begins Jesus' ministry. We don't always see ourselves as standing in that long line of those marked for service. Yet you have called us by name, knowing each of us, and loving us. Forgive us for our blindness. Turn us around. Help us to be people who not only recognize the light, but who are willing to live in that light, bringing help to others in your name. For we pray this in the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

#### **CHURCH FAMILY NEWS AND PASSING OF THE PEACE**

#### **GATHERING SONG**

“Bless His Holy Name”

TFWS # 2015

Refrain:

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
 and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
 and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

He has done great things,  
 he has done great things,  
 he has done great things,  
 bless his holy name! [Refrain]

#### **SCRIPTURE**

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

15 The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah.

**16 John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.**

17 His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

**21 When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened**

22 and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God

**All: Thanks be to God**

**ANTHEM**                                      **“Change my Heart Oh God”**                                      **the CUMC Choir**

**MESSAGE**                                      **“Claimed and Called”**                                      **Pastor Park**

#### **RECEIVING THE MORNING’S OFFERINGS**

**\*DOXOLOGY # 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.**

**\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION**                                      **Pastor Park**

**PRAYER**                                      **Pastor Karen**

#### **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.**

**\* CLOSING HYMN**                                      **“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”**                                      **UMH # 420**

**1. Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love,  
and do what thou wouldst do.**

2. Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
until my heart is pure,  
until with thee I will one will,  
to do and to endure.

3. Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
till I am wholly thine,  
till all this earthly part of me  
glows with thy fire divine.

4. Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
so shall I never die,  
but live with thee the perfect life  
of thine eternity.

\* BENEDICTION

Pastor Park

POSTLUDE

“O Worship the King“

Jackie Han

*Please remain seated for the postlude*

\*Stand as able

**Announcements:**

- Altar Flowers are given by Carol O'Donnell to the Glory of God and in honor of her daughter Elise.
- Please join us for a time of fellowship today immediately following the worship service.



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**Coming Up This Week**

**Happy Anniversary to Myrtle & John Connell – January 13<sup>th</sup>.**