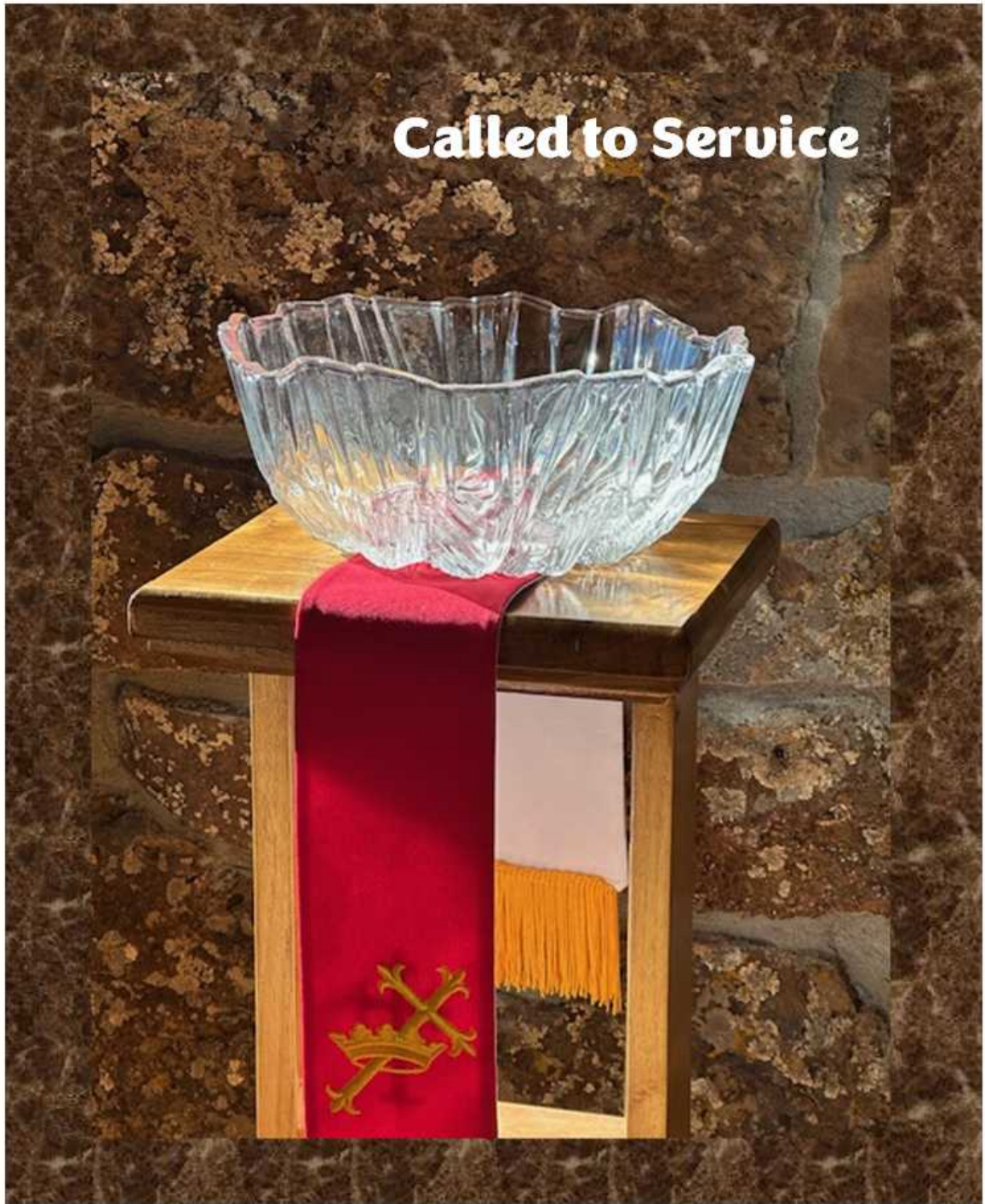


Called to Service



January 12, 2025

Baptism of the Lord

"We should ask God to increase our hope when it is small, awaken it when it is dormant, confirm it when it is wavering, strengthen it when it is weak, and raise it up when it is overthrown."

— John Calvin

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

Worship begins with the prelude. Please quiet and prepare yourself for worship. Relax your body; quiet the inner dialogue of your mind; be open and receptive to God's Spirit in our midst.

PRELUDE

"We Praise You, Lord" (Laudamus Te)

Carl Mueller

Organist, Larry Gillum

CHORAL INTROIT

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist, Marilyn Irwin

God says "Do not fear for I am with you."

God has called us by name.

When we suffer and feel hopeless,

God surrounds us with love

When we walk through the fire,

God is there with us.

Come let us worship God.

And celebrate God our redeemer and sustainer.

*OPENING HYMN NO. 478

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from one another. Instead of reaching out with loving kindness, we fail to forgive one another. Instead of fostering peace, we hold grudges. Have mercy on us. Fulfill that promise of our baptism so that we might rise to new life and live together in grace.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE**

"Gloria Patri" (Hymnal #579)

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.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Acts 8:14-17, NRSV

CHANCEL CHOIR

"Blest Spirit, One with God Above"

Brahms; arr. Lundquist

Director, Rich Dixon

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22, NRSV

MESSAGE

"Called to Service"

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY No. 525

"Here I Am, Lord"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

"O Light of Light, Love Given Birth"

Ancient Plainchant

"Elevation 47"

Dom Paul Benoit

***DOXOLOGY**

Hymnal # 592)

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**

THE SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Moderator: There are different gifts,

People: *But it is the same Spirit who gives them.*

Moderator: There are different ways of serving God,

People: *But it is the same Lord who is served.*

Moderator: God works through different people in different ways,

People: *But it is the same God who works through us all.*

Moderator: Each is given a gift by the Spirit,

People: *To use for the common good.*

Moderator: Together, we are the Body of Christ,

People: *And individually members of that body.*

Presentation of New Officers

Elders	Mimi Hardendorf Duane Miller Mark Richards Jennifer Workman
Deacons	John Davis Patti Dolezal Marilyn Irwin Larry Pierce

The Constitutional Questions
Prayer and Laying on of Hands

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The congregation responds, "hear our prayer"
Following each petition which concludes, "God, in your grace...."

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

(Not merely announcements, but the activities of our life together that reflect our day-to-day responses to God's call for faithfulness and your invitation to join in!)

***HYMN OF SENDING NO. 442** "The Church's One Foundation"

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *(please remain standing)*

POSTLUDE "A Carol for the New Year" Alfred V. Fedak

**Please stand if you are able.*



Hymn Tidbits

(researched by Joan Buhlmann)

#478 - "Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Praise My Soul (1834) is by Henry Francis Lyte (1793 Ednam-1847). He was educated at Trinity College, Dublin. He abandoned medicine for theology, and took Holy Orders in 1815. He was Curate in Wexford, then in Cornwall. He moved again to Lymington, and finally, to Lower Brixton, Devon. He published *Poems Chiefly Religious* (1833), *the Spirit of the Psalms* (1834), *Miscellaneous Poems* (1868 posthumously).

The tune *Lauda Anima* was composed by John Goss (1800-1880) for this text in 1868. It is Latin for the opening words of Psalm 103.

Born to a musical family, he was a boy chorister of the Chapel Royal, London, and then a pupil of Thomas Attwood, organist of St. Paul's Cathedral. Goss held organ posts at St. Luke's, Chelsea, and finally St. Paul's Cathedral. He taught harmony at the Royal Academy of Music. One of his students was John Steiner who later became organist at St. Paul's.

#525 - "Here I Am Lord"

Both lyrics and music by Fr. Daniel L. Schutte, S.J. (b.1947). He is one of the founding members of the St. Louis Jesuits who popularized a contemporary style of church music set to sacred texts. He released nine collections with the St. Louis Jesuits and a 30-year anniversary collection in 2005. A 2004 survey by an international Catholic magazine reported it as reader's favorite. A 2008 Methodist survey found it to be second favorite behind "Amazing Grace". The words are based on Is. 6:8 and 1 Sam. 3.

#442 - "The Church's One Foundation"

Composed by Samuel John Stone, it is a direct response to some teaching considered unorthodox at the time by John William Colenso, first Bishop of Natal, which created schism within the Church of South Africa. The hymn is based on the ninth article of the Apostle's Creed, The Holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints. It is set to the tune "Aurelia" by Samuel Wesley. The hymn is an affirmation of Christ as the foundation of our faith declaring that beyond any theological differences, cultural divides, and variances in practice, we are all part of the body of Christ.

The Week Ahead

Monday, January 13

- 9:30am Finance Committee
- 1:00pm New Session Members Meeting
- 3:30pm Ballet Renaissance

Tuesday, January 14

- 10:00am Building and Grounds Committee
- 12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group
- 3:00pm Ballet Renaissance
- 3:00pm Worship and Music Committee
- 4:30pm Deacons
- 6:30pm Estes Valley Chamber Singers

Wednesday, January 15

- 12:00pm Bible Study
- 4:00pm Joyful Bells
- 6:30pm Estes Park Chorale

Thursday, January 16

- 3:00pm Columbarium Committee
- 4:00pm Chancel Bells
- 5:00pm EVICS
- 6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group
- 6:30pm Chancel Choir

Friday, January 17

- 3:30pm Ballet Renaissance

Saturday, January 18

- 10:00am Girl Scout Troop 70449

Sunday, January 19

CROSSROADS DONATION CART IN THE NARTHEX

- 8:15am Adult Sunday School
- 8:30am Journeys
- 10:00am Worship (Livestream Available)
- 6:00pm Oratorio Society Orchestra Rehearsal

Announcements

Greeters this morning are Bonnie and Pete Vanderveen.

Fellowship Time—Join us after worship today for coffee and treats hosted by the Chancel Bells.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine—Join Pastor Christine for Bible Study at noon in the church Library on Wednesday, January 15th. This week's topic is "Creation again?" Scripture: Genesis 2:4-24. All are welcome!

Crossroads Ministry provides basic human services to our neighbors in the Estes Valley. Let's help Crossroads practice practical Christian love to over 300 families by donating to the Crossroads Market. This month, the **CROSSROADS GROCERY CART will be in the Narthex on Sunday, January 19.**

Especially needed item for this month is rice. Remember; you're giving a hand up, not a hand out, to someone in need!

Are you missing something and have struggled to figure out where you might have lost it? We have a lot of items in our **LOST AND FOUND BOX**. They are on display in the Narthex this morning so please take a look and see if we have found it.

Memorial services have been planned for two of our beloved members that have recently passed. The service for Catherine Moon will be held on Saturday, April 5th at 2:00pm and the service for Phil Ingersoll will be held on Saturday, May 3rd at 10:30am. Both will be in our Sanctuary.

The presentation on Malawi by Jim & Carol Nussbaumer has been postponed. . Continue to watch the announcements for the new date/time.

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