



Sunday Worship

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

January 8, 2023, 10 a.m.

(In-Person, Online, & PhoneLiveStreaming)

First United Methodist Church of Riverside

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ALL ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP IN-PERSON OR ONLINE AT 10:00 AM
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Please stand as you are comfortable.

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES / Hannah and Gabriel Arguelles, Acolytes

PRELUDE: "Fairest Lord Jesus" by James Woodman / Robert Phillips, Organist

***TRINITY BELLS**

***CHORAL INTROIT:** "The Lord Is in His Holy Temple" by C. Albert Scholin / Aldersgate Chorale directed by Yvonne Flagg

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Adapted from Psalm 29, Matthew 3) / Led by Loretta Cudney (Liturgist) The voice of God calls over the waters:

(People) "Beloved, receive the Holy Spirit."

(L) The Son of God beckons:

(P) "Beloved, be born of water and the Spirit."

(L) The Spirit of God proclaims:

(P) "Beloved, be born anew this day."

(L) The voice of God calls through our baptism. Come! Let us worship.

(All) Amen!

***OPENING HYMN: #189 "Fairest Lord Jesus"** Trans. by Joseph August Seiss / **All** /Led
by Yvonne Flagg

Verse 1

**Fairest Lord Jesus,
ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son,
thee will I cherish,
thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.**

Verse 2

**Fair are the meadows,
fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
who makes the woeful heart to sing.**

Verse 3

**Fair is the sunshine,
fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
than all the angels heaven can boast.**

Verse 4

**Beautiful Savior!
Lord of all the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor,
praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine.**

WELCOME / The Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST** (Adapted from Matthew 3)

(Pastor) Turn to your neighbor and behold the light of Christ within each face you see. See one another as God's beloved children – children baptized with water and the Spirit, children who abide in the grace of the living God. Greet one another in spirit and in truth as you share signs of Christ's peace. Peace be with you!

(All) Peace be with you!

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE (UNISON) (Adapted from Isaiah 42, Psalm 29, Matthew 3) / Led by Pastor Kim

Spirit of righteousness, God of power and might, help us be a light to the nations and a reflection of your glorious salvation. Work in our lives and in our ministries, that the world might know the power of your love and grace. As you alighted upon Jesus at his baptism, descend upon us this day, that we may be a people of hope and possibility. Wash us clean and renew our spirits, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE: "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord" by C. Albert Scholin

CHILDREN'S MOMENT / Lyn Knowles

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Exodus 19:16-20; 20:1-17 (NRSV) / Liturgist

The Lord Summons Moses

^{19:16} On the morning of the third day there was thunder and lightning, as well as a thick cloud on the mountain, and a blast of a trumpet so loud that all the people who were in the camp trembled. ¹⁷ Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God. They took their stand at the foot of the mountain. ¹⁸ Now Mount Sinai was wrapped in smoke, because the Lord had descended upon it in fire; the smoke went up like the smoke of a kiln, while the whole mountain shook violently. ¹⁹ As the blast of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses would speak and God would answer him in thunder. ²⁰ When the Lord descended upon Mount Sinai, to the top of the mountain, the Lord summoned Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

The Ten Commandments

^{20:1} Then God spoke all these words:

² I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³ you shall have no other gods before me.

⁴ You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶ but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷ You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

⁸ Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹ For six days you shall labor and do all your work.

10 But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work – you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. 11 For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

12 Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

13 You shall not murder.

14 You shall not commit adultery.

15 You shall not steal.

16 You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

17 You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

(Liturgist) This is the Word of God for the People of God!

(All) Thanks be to God! Amen!

ANTHEM: "All Praise to Thee" by Thomas Tallis / The Aldersgate Chorale

SERMON: "WORDS OF LIFE" (Sermon Series on "The Ten Commandments" (1 of 12): "Introduction," based on the book *Words of Life: Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today*, written by Adam Hamilton) / The Rev. J. T. Kim

***HYMN OF DEDICATION: #174 "His Name Is Wonderful" by Audrey Mieir**

His name is wonderful, his name is wonderful, his name is wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.

He is the mighty King, Master of everything; his name is wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.

He's the great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages, almighty God is he;

Bow down before him, love and adore him, his name is wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING (Adapted from Ps 29, Acts 19, Mark 1) / Liturgist

(Liturgist) With hearts wide open and ears ready to hear, we bring our very lives to this time of offering. May we bring more than just gifts in a plate, but hearts and minds ready to hear God's call and respond where God's voice leads us.

(All) Amen!

(Liturgist) I invite the ushers to come forward to receive our offerings.

OFFERTORY: "Shalom to You" by Emma Lou Diemer

***DOXOLOGY: #95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" by Thomas Ken**

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.

***UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (Adapted from Psalm 29, Acts 10) / Liturgist
Be in the gifts we bring before you, O God, as you are ever in the gift of our baptism. Renew your people through this offering, as you have renewed us with your presence this day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

LAITY BLESSINGS / Kris Lovekin, Lay Leader

***SENDING HYMN #666 "Shalom to You"** by Elise S. Eslinger

Shalom to you now,

Shalom, my friends.

May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.

In all your living and through your loving,

Christ be your shalom,

Christ be your shalom.

***RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION:** (Adapted from Psalm 29, Matthew 3)

(Pastor) Rejoice in the glory of your baptism each and every day.

(All) We will live in the power of the Holy Spirit.

(Pastor) Let your spirits soar like eagles but be as gentle as doves.

(All) We will drink deep from the waters of grace.

(Pastor) Go forth to announce the glory of our God!

(All) We go, renewed and made whole, as a blessing to all. Amen!

POSTLUDE: "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright" by Johann Pachelbel

CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO THE WORLD



We are grateful for the Worship/Media Team members who have faithfully served today:

Acolytes: Hannah and Gabriel Arguelles

Organist: Robert Phillips

Liturgist: Loretta Cudney

Hymn Leader: Yvonne Flagg

Anthem: The Aldersgate Chorale

Children's Time: Lyn Knowles

Laity Blessings: Kris Lovekin, Lay Leader

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Jim and Genette Sizer, Linda Rydzik, Jonathon Williams family,
Mack and Elizabeth Davis, Peggy Stepe, David and Loretta Cudney,
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Nicolas Mateo family, Pastor J.T. Kim and family, Robert Zeeb,
Robert Martinez, Pat Beals, family of Dalene Riggs

(Please update our prayer list by contacting our church office. Thank you!)

THIS WEEK AT FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, January 8

Children's Chime Choir (Fellowship Hall) – 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship / Baptism of the Lord / Sermon Series (1 of 12) on "The Ten Commandments"
(Sanctuary) – 10 a.m.
Children's Sunday School (Club Ark and Nursery) - 10:15 a.m.
UMM Meeting / "Lunch at your own home" and visit with the Bruggeman's (via Zoom) - 11 a.m.

Monday, January 9

Board of Trustees Meeting (Zoom) – 7 p.m.
Worship Committee Meeting (Zoom) – 7 p.m.

Tuesday, January 10

Bell Rehearsal (Mary's Kitchen) – 7 p.m.
SPRC (Zoom) – 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 11

Parents' Morning Out (PS Room 2) – 9 a.m.
The Response Rehearsal (Sanctuary) – 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 12

UWiF Bible Study – "What's So Amazing About Grace?" (Zoom) – 6:45 p.m.
Aldersgate Chorale Rehearsal (Music Room) – 7 p.m.

Sunday, January 15

Children's Chime Choir (Fellowship Hall) – 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship / Human Relations Day / Sermon Series (2 of 12) on "The Ten Commandments"
(Sanctuary) – 10 a.m.
Children's Sunday School (Club Ark and Nursery) - 10:15 a.m.
Church and Society (Chandler Lounge) – 11:15 a.m.

Monday, January 16

Martin Luther King Jr. (Holiday) – church campus is closed

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