



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Baptism of the Lord

Shelby Presbyterian Church
January 7, 2024
10:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: *"Sing of God Made Manifest"* (Hopson) Emily Monroe

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Drew Mangione, Pastor

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Mystie Brotherton

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

The Spirit of God swept over the face of the waters;

Then God said: Let there be light, and God saw that it was good.

At the beginning of his ministry, Jesus was baptized by John.

The heavens were torn open and the Spirit descended like a dove;
then God said: This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #1: *"Holy, Holy, Holy"* verses 1, 2, 4

CALL TO CONFESSION Mystie Brotherton

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: **God of all glory, you look from heaven and see us as we are – not worthy to kneel at your feet, not ready to welcome your way. Forgive us, gracious God. In Christ, you stooped down to save us by entering the water with us. Loosen the ties that bind us to sin and set us free to love and serve you. Amen. (silent confession)**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers, believe the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI (sung): ***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.***

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST Mystie Brotherton
The Peace of the Lord be with you! **And also, with you!**

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Carol Ann Hoard

FIVE CENTS A MEAL

COMMISSIONING OF JOYCE BOYETTE AND CAROL ANN HOARD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Mystie Brotherton

FIRST SCRIPTURE Psalm 29

SECOND SCRIPTURE Mark 1:9-19 Drew Mangione

SERMON "Erasing Barriers to God"

*RESPONSIVE HYMN #727: "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" v.1,3,5

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Recognition of Outgoing Officers/Presentation of New Officers

*Renunciations and Profession of Faith

Do you believe in God?

We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Questions for Ordination and Installation

Questions to the Congregation

Prayer of Ordination and Laying on of Hands

Welcome and Charges to the Officers and the Congregation

CALL TO PRESENT TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "Christmas Communion Song" (Callaway) Chancel Choir
Come, faithful, one and all this Christmastide. Come to the banquet hall, enter inside. This is the feast of love Christ has prepared. Holy Communion with us is shared. Celebrate His coming, meditate the cost. Look beyond the cradle and behold the cross. Drink the cup of joy, eat the bread of life, taste and see the beauty of the Lord of Light. God clothed in human flesh, Immanuel, from heaven descended with us to dwell. Once clothed in mystery, hidden, concealed, truth in a manger now is revealed.

*Doxology (sung): **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God...

With the great cloud of witnesses and all creation singing your praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Acclamation of Faith

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Words of Institution – Sharing of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

*CLOSING HYMN #410: "God is Calling through the Whisper"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Drew Mangione

*CHORAL BENEDICTION: "Arise!" (Moser)

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE: "Arise Your Light Has Come" (Berghout) Emily Monroe

Music Licenses: 1575277 (CCLI)/ A-739540 (One License)

Sound Board: Chip Blackley & John Brotherton

Ushers: Debbie Hart, Claire McCullough, Michelle Moser, Trey Warrick

Scriptures read in service are original translations, unless otherwise noted.

Feel free to read a familiar translation and listen for different word choices.

CHILDCARE is available for infants through preschool in Room 102, staffed by Lindsay Carter, Lilly Hamilton, and Holly Conner

In order to protect your children, please be sure they are accompanied at all times by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.

WE WELCOME all who worship with us this morning. If you are interested in more information or in becoming a member of our family of faith, please call the church office, 704-487-8503. If you have questions about our hearing loop system, please call the church office Monday-Thursday, 9:00-4:00, Friday 9:00-12:00. **After the service, all first-time visitors are invited to the back of the church where a church member will welcome you with a special greeting.**

WE GIVE THANKS for these officers who faithfully served, completing three-year terms today: ELDERS – Fred Blackley, Kimberly Dixon, Scoot Dixon, and Roger Holland; DEACONS – Kyle Aldinger, Mary Ann LaSelva, Elizabeth Schweppe, and Lori Wehmüller.

WE WELCOME these new officers and support them with our prayers and encouragement: ELDERS – Carolyn Billings, Mystie Brotherton, Carolyn Jackson, and Dan McLaurin; DEACONS – Mike Jackson, Alison Moore, Michael Pruitt, and May Reed.

BOOK STUDY: You're invited to participate in a study and discussion of "Building a Multiethnic Church" by Rev. Dr. Derwin Gray, Pastor of Transformation Church in Charlotte. Pastor Drew will lead the study over eight (8) sessions beginning with a **Wednesday Night Supper on Jan. 17**, and concluding on April 24, all in Ellis Hall. Childcare will be available, with Growing in Grace for Pre-K to 5th Grade and nursery for younger children. Books are available, please contact Miranda (704-487-8503 or miranda@shelbypres.org) by **JANUARY 10, 2024**.

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held immediately following the 10 am worship service Sunday, January 21st. This meeting is to elect two at-large members to the Nominating Committee; to vote on changes to the terms of call (salary package) for the pastor; and to hear a brief report on the 2024 budget.

SPC TARTAN: SPC's own tartan is here, and it is beautiful! It will be introduced to the congregation at the end of January, and you will begin to see it around the church after that.

As you may remember, this tartan was designed so that all of the members of our church can more fully participate in the Kirkin O' the Tartan service on Heritage Sunday. Ties, both regular and bow ties, as well as sashes will be available for sale for members and friends of the church so that they can express their relationship to the family of Shelby Presbyterian Church during the Kirkin service.

If you are interested in ordering fabric to create a flag of your personal tartan, now is the time to order it. Please contact Mary Conner or the church office for details and look for more details about this exciting addition in the coming weeks.

THANK YOU, CHURCH FAMILY, for supporting our Community Refrigerator. The fridge is being restocked daily and helping our neighbors. If you'd like to fill the fridge during January, sign up here: bit.ly/spcfridge. Questions? Email annaschweppe29@gmail.com

THIS WEEK (JANUARY 7 - 13, 2024):

Today	3:30 pm	Confirmation & Catechism
	5:00 pm	Youth Bible Study in Youth Room
Monday	9:00 am	Rainbow Connection resumes
	1:30 pm	Clerk's Council in Pastor's Study
	6:00 pm	Discipleship Committee in Back Parlor
	7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 100 in Scout House
	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall
Tuesday	10:30 am	Staff Meeting in Ellis Hall
Wednesday	11:00 am	Rainbow Committee in F3 Room
	6:00 pm	Growing in Grace resumes in Ellis Hall
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir in Choir Room
Thursday	12:00 pm	Finance Committee in Back Parlor
	8:00 pm	AA in Ellis Hall AI – Anon in Back Parlor

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (also see ongoing prayer list in newsletter) . . .

Our prayers and sympathies go out to Laura Carter and family in the passing of her mother, Faye McCants on December 31, 2023. Faye had been a member of SPC for 28 years.

Our prayers and sympathies go out to Dan McLaurin and family in the passing of his mother, Louisa “Lou” Presler on January 1, 2024.

John Auten, JoAnn and George Beattie, Pam Birmingham, Debra Blanton, Dick Bowling, J.W. & Pat Brotherton, Karen Carpenter, Myra Carpenter, Sandy Carpenter, Chris Denning, Debbie Ferrell, Susan Grose, Ina Harrington, August Hohne, Andi Houser, Cheryl Lutz, Shayvonne Maddox, Brooke McCurry, Marie Patterson, Pauline Persing, Ellen Poston, Clay Pruett, Larry Stern, Linda Ware, Doreen Wacaster, Jackie Weathers, Stephanie Williams, Teresa Wingo, and our homeless neighbors; all with respiratory illnesses; the victims of natural disaster and war, including in Ukraine, Israel-Gaza, and Guatemala; all in military service and their families; Food Ministry; Turning Point Academy, Rainbow Connection, our brothers & sisters of Monte los Olivos; Tenwek Hospital; John McCall in Taiwan; Christians around the globe who are persecuted for their faith.

SHELBY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OFFICERS

SESSION

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Laura Lampley
Tom Martin

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Carolyn Jackson
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