

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 8, 2012

Baptism of the Lord

8:30 & 11:00

(LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, HYMNALS, PEW BIBLES AND
ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FROM OUR USHERS)

*Please stand, if able.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PEACE

PRELUDE *Festive Toccata in A Major* Johann Walter

CHORAL INTROIT *On This Day Angels Sing* Gustav Holst

*CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 29 Claire George (8:30)
Nora Narum (11:00)

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly being, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of God's name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

People: May the Lord give strength to God's people! May the Lord bless God's people with peace!

Leader: Let us worship God!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

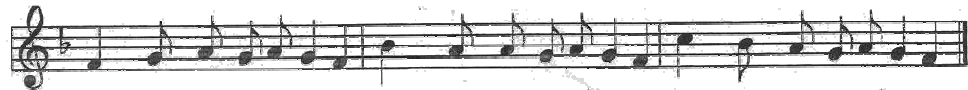
Bless us, Creator God with the kiss of morning as we awaken to a new year. Open our eyes, unstop our ears so we may see and hear each sight and sound to the fullest...and enjoy them and enjoy ourselves...and enjoy each other. From this moment, let us move into the morning rejoicing. Amen.

*HYMN: *To God Be the Glory* Number 485

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

When we aren't living up to the best we know we can be, remind us, Lord. Guide our decisions, that we may unwind the mystery of our pilgrimage on earth. Teach us of depth, of love, of hope. Forgive and renew our spirits... (Silent, personal confession)

KYRIE Number 572



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *Gloria Patri* Number 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.***

GOSPEL READING: Mark 1:4-11

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION Shawn Thomas Smith
Children 2 yrs-5th grade may leave for the extended session after the conversation. (11:00)

ANTHEM *All Earth Rejoice with a Gladsome Voice* Antonio Vivaldi
Chancel Choir

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 1:1-5

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE: "The Stage has Been Set" Gordon Mapes
Text: "In the beginning..." Genesis 1:1

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN: *O Sing a Song of Bethlehem* Number 308

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and 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 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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC *In the Bleak Mid-Winter* Malcolm Archer

*DOXOLOGY Number 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**

***HYMN:** *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice* Number 28

***BENEDICTION**

CHORAL RESPONSE *Thus Rejoicing* Carol

POSTLUDE *Joy to the World* Christopher Uehlein

Acolyte: Becky Ogburn /Extended Session: Emily Boots, Nicole Gallini & Elizabeth Britton (11:00)

Welcome. We're glad you joined us for worship today. We are a diverse and engaging community of faith *seeking and serving Christ to make a difference.* We pray that you experience Christ's presence in our midst, and that his presence will sustain you in the week ahead. If this is your first visit, please accept a gift of love in the form of a book located in the narthex. It is yours to enjoy.

Children are especially welcome in our worship services. Worship bags are available from the ushers. From June through August we worship at 9:30AM. You are cordially invited to our reception in the office entranceway following each summer service. From September through May, Sunday worship is at 8:30AM and 11:00AM. The first Sunday of each month we hold an alternative worship experience at 6:00PM. During worship children are invited to come forward for the Children's Conversation. Toddlers through older children are then invited to our Extended Session for children. Parents who prefer childcare for infants-2 year olds will find our nursery located in our education wing. An usher will be glad to direct you.

Our Sunday school hour is 9:45AM to 10:45AM. There are classes for children through adult. An education brochure is available with brief descriptions of each class.

If you are a visitor we hope you will make Bon Air Presbyterian Church your church home. Please pick up a copy of *The Outreach*, our church newsletter. It's full of activities and program schedules to assist you in finding areas of interest in ministries, and is available in the narthex. Our pastors and elders would be delighted to answer any questions you may have about our many programs and activities, and to discuss membership with you at your earliest convenience. As a first time visitor, we offer the gift of a book, found in the narthex. Take it with you as a token of our appreciation for your visit today.

Gordon B. Mapes, III, Interim Pastor
Shawn Thomas Smith, Associate Pastor
Stephen E. Henley, Director of Music
Brenda M. Norton, Office Manager
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Almighty God, as we pray for the Church Universal, we pray for God's Blessing on the Church in this place. Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened; may the doubting find faith and the anxious be encouraged; may the tempted find help and the sorrowful comfort; may the weary find rest and the strong be renewed; may the aged find consolation and the young be inspired; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Book of Common Worship

This Week at BAPC: January 8, 2012

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School (SS Rooms)
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	4:00 p.m.	Second Sunday South of the James Concert (Sanctuary)
	4:00 p.m.	High School & Middle School Youth
	7:00 p.m.	Session (Beck Room)
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Friendship Café (Beck Room)
	9:30 a.m.	YOGA (Room 101-103)
	3:30 p.m.	Sabot School (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts (Beck Room/SS Rooms)
	7:15 p.m.	Walk Away the Pounds (Room 101-103)
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Friendship Café (Beck Room)
	10:00 a.m.	Memorial Garden Committee (Middle School Room)
	10:15 a.m.	Morning Bible Study Circle (Parlor)
	10:30 a.m.	Sister's Circle (Library)
	Noon	ROMEOS (at Angelo's Restaurant)
	5:30 p.m.	AA (Fellowship Hall)
	6:30 p.m.	Chancel Ringers (Handbell Room)
Wednesday	2:00 p.m.	Congregational Care Division (Library)
	5:30 p.m.	Cantus Choir (Choir Room)
	6:15 p.m.	Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Friendship Café (Beck Room)
	6:00 p.m.	YOGA (101-103)
	7:00 p.m.	Volleyball (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	Herb Stone Orchestra (Beck Room)
	7:15 p.m.	Walk Away the Pounds (Room 101-103)
Friday	10:00 a.m.	LPM (Parlor)
	5:30 p.m.	AA (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday	7:00 a.m.	ACTS 16:5 (Library)

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by Don and Sandy Thornburg to the glory of God and in memory of Worth and Lucy Thornburg, Don's Parents.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Sandra Smilek and her family on the death of her mother, Margaret Smilek, on January 1, 2012. Her service was at Bon Air Presbyterian Church on Friday, January 6.

The rose on the communion table honors the birth of Everett Charles Herman, son of Conner and Brad Herman. Everett was born December 18, 2011 in Washington, DC. Proud grandparents are Marcia and Richard Wyatt.

CFL/Battery recycling is today. Thanks to those who are taking the initiative to recycle your CFLs (Compact Fluorescent Lightbulbs) and batteries. The Transfer station only accepts CFLs and lithium and rechargeable batteries. Recycling of these items at BAPC will occur the SECOND Sunday of each month after the 11:00 AM service.

All articles for the February issue of the *Outreach* newsletter are due to the church office by Sunday, January 15. Please submit them to office@bonairpc.org. If you do not have access to a computer please bring a hard copy to the church office.

SSSJ presents it's Annual Artist Concert done by members and friends of BAPC. The concert is **today at 4:00 PM at church**. The program will feature a variety of vocal and instrumental selections. A free-will offering will be received.

Wednesday night dinner: Sign-in between 6:00-6:15 PM. Dinner starts at 6:15 PM. Sign-up on sheet located on bulletin board next to office, or call the church office. **Please make reservations or cancellations by 3:00 PM Monday.** Cost is \$5.00 per adult/\$3.00 per child with a household cap of \$16.00.

The Book Group will meet on Tuesday, January 17 at 1:30 p.m. in the church library. The book we are reading is, *The Wave* by Todd Strasser. Leader, Joan Baker.

The preschool is accepting applications for the 2012-2013 school year. From now until January 30th church members and current families have enrollment preference. For information about BAPP check out the web site at www.bonairpreschool.com. If you have specific questions, e-mail the director, Jean Oswald, at bonairpreschool@bonairpc.org. You can obtain a registration form by calling the church office.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Mark 1:4-11 (page 42, New Testament)

⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Genesis 1:1-5 (page 1, Old Testament)

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Anthem Text

All the earth rejoice with a gladsome voice; now sing we alleluia.

Sing alleluia, Sing, O Praise the Lord.

Sound the trumpet; sound the harp, Praise the Lord.

All earth rejoice with a gladsome voice, sing alleluia

Praise the Lord, O praise the Lord, Rejoice and sing.