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January 12, 2020

Baptism Sunday

We Gather Together

Prelude

Andrew Sims

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

Behold

MV 115

Call to Worship

(Celebrate God's Presence)

One: All who thirst, come to the water and drink deeply of these living streams.

All: Come, all who are weary; come all who yearn for forgiveness.

One: As the waters of the Jordan washed over Jesus, so the Holy Spirit washes over you and me.

All: We gather to give thanks for new life in Christ.

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Eternal God, radiant with grace, as the baptismal waters stream through us today, may we shine with Your Word, our hope. May we shine with Your peace, our joy. May we shine with faith that wavers not, but trusts fully. Through Christ, our light in the dark, who brings new life, Amen.

*Opening Hymn

Arise Your Light is Come

VU 79

Children's Time

Children are invited forward for a special time; Grades K – 6 can then go downstairs for Sunday School. Youth Discussion is at the same time. A "Family Room" is located through the door by the piano upstairs where the service can be seen and heard if your young children become too restless for your comfort.

Children's Song

Jesus Loves Me Verses 1 - 2

VU 365

We Baptize a Child of God

Please see insert

We Listen for God's Ongoing Word

Scripture Reading

Psalms 29
Matthew 3: 13-17

George Irwin
VU 756

Choir Anthem

Arise! Shine!

J. P. Williams & J. M. Martin

Reflection

"Streams of Divinity"

Rev. Valerie Oden

*Hymn of Response

When Jesus Comes to Be Baptized
Verses 1, 4, 5

VU 100

We Share In Prayer

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Dr. Joanne Olson

Prayer Hymn

Behold

MV 115

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, The Lord's Prayer

We Offer our Gifts and our Lives

Offering Our Gifts / Offering Prayer

Andrew Sims

*Parting Hymn

I Have Called You by Your Name
Verses 1, 3, 4

MV 161

*Benediction

*Musical Response

Behold

MV 115

*Postlude

Andrew Sims

**denotes you are invited to stand as you are able and inclined
VU indicates the red hard-bound hymnal, Voices United
MV indicates the small coil-bound hymnal More Voices*



Hearing Assistance is available.
Please ask at the sound booth.

*Riverbend United Church
Welcomes You*

If you are new with us we offer you a special welcome.

Please feel free to introduce yourself to your neighbour in the pews or to our minister, Valerie. If you fill out a Contact Card from the pew rack we will send you a weekly email with news & upcoming events.

Staff Ministry Team

Valerie Oden, Lead Minister
Tom Sawyer, Minister Emeritus
Joanne Olson, Health & Care Ministry
Paula Roberts, Music Director
Andrew Sims, Accompanist
Lois Samis Lund, Handbell Choir Director
Joel Fleck, Youth Coordinator
Krystal Manuel, Children's Ministry
Jacqueline Hunt, Office Manager

Ministry of the Community

Matthew Schoenhardt, Chair
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David Galbraith, Property & AV
Jesse Lim, AV
Carolyn Miller, Worship Slides
Peggy Robinson, Communion/Decor
Stephen & Fiona Bamforth, Communion