

**Gathering Music****Praise Band**

Alive and Breathing  
Goodness of God

**Ringing of the Bells****Dean Brown**

*We would be grateful if you would fill out the pew pad (with contact information) and let us know you are here this morning. After you have signed in, please pass the pew pad down the aisle. We are so glad you are here!*

**\*Opening Song**

Here I Am, Lord  
UMH 593

**Centering Thought****Lilly Schlegel**

How you do anything is how you do everything. If the first time Jesus showed himself to be God's Son he did it in surrender, then Jesus is still the Son of God who gives himself for the sake of love and grace and service. And God is pleased – which means Jesus shows us what God is like, and what God's will is.

- Richard Rohr

**Prayers of the People****Pastor Jo Ann****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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

**Children's Time: In the Roles of God****Ministry News****Jan Southard****Prayer of Dedication**

God of the water that cleans us, you claim us in our baptism, but too few of us even remember our own baptism. And if we remember (or imagine) our baptism, we too rarely grasp its meaning and power. As we present our tithes and offerings in worship and witness Christ's baptism once again, may we remember that in that water we were, like Christ, commissioned to go: to teach, preach, heal, and even to take up a cross. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

**Offering****\*Doxology****Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17****Lisa Detchman**

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

One: The word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

UMH 569

**Message:** Would We Dare

**Pastor Jo Ann**

**Communion****UMW 12**

*In the United Methodist Church we celebrate an open table. All are welcome and encouraged to participate. If you want to know more about our beliefs in baptism or communion, please ask Jo Ann*

**Song for Communion**

Remembrance

**\*Closing Song**

Spirit Song  
UMH347

*\*Please stand as you are able*

**Ministry News**

Alpha Study - Please sign up on and plan to join us as we kick off this new ministry. Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. Dinner will be provided. Wednesday evenings beginning **January 18**.

Our Trustees are putting on a Spaghetti Feed **January 22** after worship to raise funds for upcoming building projects. There will be Spaghetti (meat sauce and meatless), salad, breadsticks, and dessert. Cost is \$15 adults, \$8 children. Plan to join us for lunch after worship.

**Church meetings:**

**Tuesday January 10**

6:30pm - Finance

7:00pm - Administrative Council

**Monday, January 16**

6:30 pm - Full Inclusion

**Tuesday, January 17**

7 pm - Staff Parish Relations Committee (including those who officially finished in 2022 and those who are new)

**Wednesday study:**

1 pm - Women of the Bible Ch 8 -In the Fireside Room

6 pm - Alpha Leader Training

7 pm - Jesus' Alternative Plan - Ch 8 & 9 -Zoom

We are currently looking to replace our janitorial service. If you have any suggestions, please notify the church office.

**A special Thank You to our:**

Musicians: Jennifer Bohn-Hodapp, Bob Southard  
Mike Loring, Jon Detchman, and Craig Stockhaus

Children's Ministry Director: Megan Schlegel

Assistant: Dale Castle

Nursery: Katelyn Mathis

AV: Billy Yaddof, Meghan Green

Flower Team: Jan Southard, Carolyn Almond,  
Mieko Heriford, Barb Pfeifer, Patti Novak, Cora Brown

All others that help to make Sunday service  
a *joyous* experience.

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**January 8, 2023**  
***The Baptism of Jesus***  
**10:00am**