

# SHALLOTTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



May all who pass through these waters be delivered from death to life, from bondage to freedom, from sin to righteousness. Bind them to the household of faith and guard them from all evil. Strengthen them to serve you with joy until the day you make all things news. Amen.

*Book of Common Worship, p. 427*



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

2nd Sunday after Epiphany | January 16, 2022

*(\*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary, to stand.)*

*All speak words in **boldface**.)*

### ❖ Called by God We Gather ❖

GATHERING MUSIC & WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(Gather and greet each other in joy.)*

CALLED TO WORSHIP IN RINGING THE TRINITY AND IN MUSIC

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

arr. Paul Manz

OPENING SENTENCES

Through God's saving grace, the waters that tested us  
**are now the waters that wash us and nourish us.**

*(Continued)*

Great is the Fount of Every Blessing,  
**ever flowing, ever redeeming, ever claiming us as God's children.**  
Come, let us worship the God who washes us in grace.

\*HYMN

*Sing a New Church*

NETTLETON

***Summoned by the God who made us  
rich in our diversity,  
gathered in the name of Jesus,  
richer still in unity:  
let us bring the gifts that differ  
and, in splendid, varied ways,  
sing a new church into being  
one in faith and love and praise***

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\*PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

*(Pouring water into the font.)*

Voice of Heaven, with the water of baptism reminding us of your love,  
**we lift our praises to you.**

Your voice cradles us with songs of wonder and awe. Your voice  
sweeps away all the boundaries between us. Your voice reminds us  
that we are precious, esteemed, beloved.

**Even so, we often live as if they have not changed us. Forgive us,  
Spirit of grace. Remind us again that in the water of our baptism  
we stand with Jesus and hear your affirming voice. May your  
grace become our gratitude that we reveal in deeds, following  
Jesus in paths of justice, right relationship, and peace. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Amen**

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

*Hear the Good News of Salvation*

NETTLETON

***Hear the good news of salvation:***

***Jesus died to show God's love.***

***Such great kindness! Such great mercy!***

***Come to us from heaven above.***

***Jesus Christ, how much I love you!***

***Jesus Christ, you save from sin!***

***How I love you! Look upon me.***

***Love me still and cleanse within.***

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❖ **To Hear God's Word of Grace** ❖

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 14:10-31

ANTHEM

*Wade in the Water*

arr. Carl Haywood

Ed Carter, solo, 8:30AM Service;

Chancel Choir, 11:00AM Service

*Refrain:* Wade in the water, wade in the water, children, wade in the water, God's gonna trouble the water. See that host all dressed in white, ... the leader looks like the Israelite ... *Refrain.* See that band all dressed in red ... looks like the band that Moses led ... *Refrain.* See how God did make a way ... for all God's children on that day ... *Refrain.*

SERMON

"Wade in the Water"

Rev. Laura Viau

## ❖ To Respond in Faith with Gratitude ❖

### PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD

The Lord's Prayer

hymnal p. 35

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle's Creed

hymnal p. 35

## ❖ To Depart Blessed to Serve ❖

### \*HYMN

*Sing A New Church*

NETTLETON

***Bring the hopes of every nation;  
bring the art of every race.  
Weave a song of peace and justice;  
let it sound through time and space.  
Let us bring the gifts that differ  
and, in splendid, varied ways,  
sing a new church into being  
one in faith and love and praise.***

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### \*BENEDICTION AND CHARGE

### CLOSING MUSIC



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