

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 new. Amen.

Book of Common Worship, p. 427



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

3rd Sunday after Epiphany | January 23, 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

Down to the River to Pray

arr. Lynn L. Petersen

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

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

***Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;
heirs of salvation, trusting the promise,
faithfully now God's praises we sing.***

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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

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

***Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ our King;
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,
thankfully now God's praises we sing.***

❖ **To Hear God's Word of Grace** ❖

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 6:3-11

ANTHEM

Borning Cry

arr. Daniel Kallman

Laura Viau, solo, 8:30AM Service

Chancel Choir, 11:00AM Service

"I was there to hear your borning cry; I'll be there when you are old.

I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.

I was there when you were but a child with a faith to suit you well;

in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell."

"When you heard the wonder of the Word, I was there to cheer you on.

You were raised to praise the living Lord to whom you now belong.

If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,

I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun."

"In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,

I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.

When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,

I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise."

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I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold."

SERMON

“Dying and Rising”

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

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❖ **To Depart Blessed to Serve** ❖

*HYMN

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

***Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our King;
born of the Spirit, we are God's children;
joyfully now God's praises we sing.***

*BENEDICTION AND CHARGE

CLOSING MUSIC



Rev. Laura Viau, Interim Pastor (church@atmc.net)
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Linda Rowell, Church Treasurer; **Joyce Winkler**, Qualified Ruling Elder;
Hery Ramambasoa, Regional Liaison for Southeast Asia and the Pacific



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