



PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
January 11, 2026
Baptism of the Lord

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *"Fairest Lord Jesus"*

arr. Innes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name,
worship the Lord in holy splendor.
The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.
The voice of the Lord is powerful,
the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.
Let us worship God.

Psalm 29

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

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PRAYER OF CONFESION

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

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ANTHEM *"I Am Resolved"*

arr. Pethel

CHILDREN'S CHAT

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 42: 1-9

NEW TESTAMENT Matthew 3: 13-17

SERMON

"Baptism and Ministry"

*HYMN

"Baptized in Water"

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REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Presentation of Officers for Installation

Constitutional Questions

Prayer of Installation

Welcoming New Officers

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OOFERTORY *"Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song"*

stg. Carter

*DOXOLOGY *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

*HYMN *"Will You Come and Follow Me"*

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*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE *"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"*

stg. Held

* Please stand if you are able.

*The flowers are given in loving memory of
J. Daniel Slep
by the Slep family*

Prayer: Marsha Hansard, Adams family, Randy Knox, Ashley Mollica, Sue Payne, Robin Blair, Beal family Liturgist: Sue Whitsel

Today	10:15 AM	Worship
MONDAY	6:00 PM	Child Safety meeting
TUESDAY	9:30 AM	Mission meeting
WEDNESDAY	6:30 PM	Choir
THURSDAY	11:30 AM	Bible Study
SATURDAY	11:30 AM	Soup on Saturday
SUNDAY	9:00 AM	Sunday School
	10:15 AM	Worship

Thank you for your support during our time of grief. Your thoughts and prayers have brought us comfort and we are blessed to have your fellowship.

The Mallow Family

The 2025 report from each ministry team needs to be submitted to our church administrator no later than **January 18**. These reports will be included in the annual report, which will be distributed at the Annual Congregational Meeting in February.

If you are able to help out with Open/Lock-Up for a month in 2026, please sign up in Fellowship Hall.

The Per Capita amount for 2026 is \$41 per member.

In the event of inclement weather, before venturing out, please check your email and/or the church's Facebook page or website for any scheduled changes or cancellations.

The youth will be creating birthday boxes. Each box will include a cake mix, icing, candles, sprite and a pan. The youth is asking for donations from the congregation to help support this effort which will benefit people in need in the community.

**“This is my Son,
the Beloved, with whom
I am well pleased.”**



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