

EPIPHANY/BAPTISM OF THE LORD



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WE GATHER AND PRAISE

Prelude & Centering Moment

Choir Introit

***Call to Worship (Psalm 29)**

Liturgist: The voice of our God and King is heard in blessing,
as it echoes in its majestic powers over all creation.

People: **We come to worship our God, and to celebrate the
Mystery and Reality that is God’s everlasting glory.**

Liturgist: The voice of God is heard in all creation – and it responds
with joy to the voice of its Creator, Sustainer and Renewer.

People: **We come to worship our God, and to celebrate God’s
power and generosity towards all creation and all peoples.**

Liturgist: We come to worship our God, and to celebrate the
way we are welcomed into God’s glorious presence.

People: **The voice of our Holy God is heard in the sacred
spaces, and God’s grace is received as we worship. Amen.**

***Opening Hymn** “God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale” #122
(Verses 1, 3, 5, & 6)

Opening Prayer (Isaiah 43)

**God of many names. We give ourselves into the hand of Your
continuing creativity; Our past, with its joys and triumphs, its
failures and regrets, Our present, with its struggles and
accomplishments, its hopes and setbacks, Our future, with its fears
and freedom, its pain and possibility, trusting the Spirit that breathes
life, trusting the love that will not let us go, trusting the promise of
the Word made flesh.**

WE PROCLAIM AND RESPOND

Children's Moments

The Lord's Prayer

Passing of the Peace "Let There Be Peace on Earth" #431

***The Scripture Lesson Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22**

Liturgist: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God

Message "Well Pleased" Rev. Lydia Han

Invitation to Confession

Liturgist: Let us draw near to God with sincerity of heart and full assurance of faith. Let us pray together the prayer of confession.

Prayer of Confession

Creator of the universe, we stand amazed at Your power and glory. We are eager to worship You and offer our praise, but we are often reluctant to answer when we hear You calling our name. We sing our songs of tribute in the sanctuary, but shy away from the river, lest we be baptized with the fire of the Holy Spirit. Forgive us when we forget Your promise to be with us always, O God. Renew us with the power of Your ever-present love, and strengthen us to proclaim Your justice throughout the world. Amen.

Prayers of the People

(You may offer a prayer, ending with "This is my prayer, O Lord."
The church family will respond, saying. **"Lord, Hear Our Prayer"**)

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Words of Assurance

Pastor: People of God, you are known and loved by the Creator.
You are marked as God's chosen ones to bring hope and

peace to others. Be at peace and live in hope.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Baptism /Reaffirmation of Our Baptismal Covenant

“Baptized in Water”

TFWS #2248

**1 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;**

**heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,
faithfully now God's praises we sing.**

**2 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.**

**3 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ, our King;**

**born of one Father, we are his children,
joyfully now God's praises we sing.**

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology**

#95

Prayer of Dedication

God of new beginnings, as we move into this new year, stir in us the feelings of expectation! Kindle our hearts and minds to see possibilities for our world and for Your kingdom. Help us to believe that the world we have can be better: more loving, more just, more compassionate, and looking much more like the world you've imagined for us. Lord, help us to give generously this day to empower that to happen. In the name of Christ, Savior, and Redeemer, we pray. Amen. (Luke 3:15-17, 21-22)

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

***Sending Hymn**

“Spirit Song”

#347

<https://digitalsongsandhymns.com/songs/2232>

***Commissioning and Blessing**

Right: You are each precious in God’s sight.

Left: *We go from this place, claiming our identity
as children of God.*

Right: God has called you by name.

Left: *We go into the world to answer God’s call. Alleluia!*

***Benediction**

Postlude

“Give thanks and prayers for the Worship Support Team!”

Worship Art/Decoration: Ellen Horn, Harold Daus

Liturgists: Margie Ludewig

Music: Dan Fogel, Lynn Hoag and Choir, Kathleen Wells & Bell Choir

Ushers: Bruce Groh, Mike Bilecki, Laura Terwilliger, Bill Morse & youth

Communion Hosts & Technology : Barbara Pannhurst

Live-Stream: Jay and Samuel Han

Sunday School: Lori Labalsamo, Bill Morse

Childcare: Christine Jiang



We welcome you all to our worship service. Please join us in Coffee Fellowship after the service in the Fellowship Hall. If you are our guest, please fill in the Visitor's Card in your pew and place it in the offering plate. We'd appreciate it if you could also sign our Guest Book in the Welcome Area. May you have a blessed worship service today.

OUR CHURCH MINISTRY – January 9, 2022

Bill Morse will be conducting a weekly Zoom discussion group regarding “Spiritual Rebirth”. What does Spiritual Rebirth look like for people from BCE to the present. The group will meet every Monday from 10:00 am to 10:30 pm. Check the BUMC website for contact information.

The Bellport United Methodist Church will do its best to protect one another. We will wear our masks indoors.

The Fiddler's Green Thrift Shop is closed for the Winter and is planning on reopening in February 2022, weather and COVID permitting. The Thrift Shop will continue to accept donations. Sunday Child Care available: 9:15 AM.

Ministry Opportunities: If you are interested in taking part in any of the following ministries, please contact the person listed below.

****Hospitality: Coffee Fellowship: June Beuttenmuller 631-286-2045**
Currently there is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area. We need volunteers to host the “Coffee Hour” after Sunday Worship Service. Please contact June Beuttenmuller if you can host any future “Coffee Hours”.

****Thrift Shop: Anna McClure 631-286-1172. Volunteer once a month or more at the Thrift Shop.**

****Comfort Shawl: Barbara Downs 631-475-0141 & Lillian Muttitt 631-307-9061 Knitting or crocheting for the healing of others.**

****Outreach: Carolyn Holtz 631-286-4236 Helping to help others.**

****Loveline: Anna McClure 631-286-1172 Preparing food for families in our church that are experiencing a crisis.**

****Church Office: John Hannon 631-286-0525 Assisting with special mailings, distributing flyers, folding bulletins/newsletters, or helping with phones.**

****Building Use: John Hannon and Paulette Renna at 631-286-0525 Facilitating the comings and goings of people using our buildings for private events.**

We need volunteers to serve as Ushers. Speak with Mike Bilecki if you would like to serve as an Usher

The Ways to Connect Church

- **Zoom Conference**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6312860525?pwd=QmppL3BxemJUZjZHc0lTMmk4TE5iQT09>

(646) 558-8656 Meeting ID: 631 286 0525# & Password: 11713

- **Facebook Live Stream**

<https://www.facebook.com/bellportmethodist.church.5>

- **Sunday Worship at 9:30 AM (Zoom, FaceBook, Phone Call)**

Weekly Financial Information

***Includes General, Benevolence & Building Fund**

| DATE | ATTENDANCE | WEEKLY OFFERING |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 01/02/2022 | 24 adults, 9 Zoom = 33 | \$2,316. |
| 12/26/2021 | No count taken | \$3,047. |

12/24/2021

45 attendees

\$1,681.

Abbreviations For Meeting Places: (S) Sanctuary, (CR) Community, (FH) Fellowship Hall, (WH) Wesley House, (BS) Bible Study), (Z) Zoom online, (OD) Outdoor, (FB) FaceBook. (GH) Gathering Hall, (ACIM) Course in Miracle on Zoom, (AlphaCourse) <https://alphausa.org/>



January 9, 2022 -January 16, 2021

- Sunday: **9:30am Worship (S) (Z)**
7:00pm 12 Step (C)
- Monday: **10:00am “Spiritual Rebirth” (Z)**
4:00pm Brookhaven School of Dance (FH)
- Tuesday: 4:00pm Brookhaven School of Dance (FH)
- Wednesday: 4:00pm Brookhaven School of Dance (FH)
- Thursday: 4:00pm Brookhaven School of Dance (FH)
7:30pm 12 Step (C)
- Friday: 11:00am Quilters (W)
- Saturday: 7:00pm 12 Step (C)
- Sunday: **9:30am Worship (S) (Z)**
7:00pm 12 Step (C)

Bold letters are church programs