

*Piedmont Presbyterian Church*

*Rev. Deborah Foster*

*January 8, 2023*

*Baptism of the Lord*

*Gathering Around the Word*

*Prelude*

*Welcome and Announcements*

*\*Introit: "Great and Mighty is the Lord our God" (insert)*

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

**People: Our souls long for your courts, where we yearn to sing your praises.**

Leader: Blessed are they who dwell in your house, who are always praising you.

**People: Blessed are those whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on the pilgrim's way.**

*. \*Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" 475*

*\*Call to Confession*

**\*Prayer of Confession**

We confess to you O God that we have used only a small part of the potential that is in us: There are gifts, talents, and possibilities in us that we constrain. Forgive us for settling for second best, for growing complacent. Help us to yield to you this day, and to open our lives once more to joy, service, and adventure.

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Alleluia! Through Christ, we have forgiveness of all our sins, no matter how many.

**People: The Son of God has saved us and has summoned us anew to new life.**

Leader: Hear again the good news of the gospel.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, thanks be to God. Amen**

*\*Response: "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me" 582*

*Offering Ourselves to God*

*Prayers of the People, Lord's Prayer 11*

*Special Music: "Instrumental Selection"*

*Worship with Tithes and Offerings Offertory*

*\*Doxology 606*

*\*Prayer of Dedication*

*\*Hymn: "Here I Am Lord" 69*

*Listening for the Word*

*Prayer for Illumination*

*Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9 (pg 636)*

*New Testament Reading: Matthew 3:13-17 (pg 3)*

*Sermon: "The Baptism of our Lord"*

*Installation of Officers*

*\*Affirmation of Faith: "Apostles' Creed" 35*

*Bearing the Word into the World*

*\*Hymn: "Take My Life" 697*

*\*Benediction:*

*\*Choral Response: "His Name is Life" (insert)*

*\*Postlude*

**ENTER TO WORSHIP-----Depart to Serve**

**\*Congregation standing for those who are able**

### ***This Week at PPC...***

**01-08-23**

Sunday:	Stated Session Meeting	11:15 am
Tuesday:	Prayer Shawl Ministry (knit Wits)	10:00 am
Wednesday:	Agape Small Group	7:00 pm

### ***Last Week...***

	<b>Of Time</b>	<b>Of Treasure</b>	<b>To Date</b>
Morning Worship	23	\$4,320.00	
Mary Nesbitt Circle	8		
Agape Small Group	5		

### ***Looking Forward ...***

January 8	Installation of Officers	10:00 am
	Stated Session Meeting	11:15 am
January 10	Prayer Shawl Ministry (Knit Wits)	10:00 am
January 22	Prayer Breakfast	8:30 am
January 29	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Union Service	
	@ Piedmont United Methodist Church	6:00 pm

### **Prayers for People Beneath the Steeple:**

**Home Bound** : Jo Bates, Emma Hatfield  
**Robert Mielke (Buddy)**: Cancer (Norma's brother)  
**Mindy Sexton Watson** – Chronic Myeloid Leukemia  
**Anne Hastings** – Cancer (Sally's sister)  
**Jane Sexton** – Cancer  
**Huston Stevenson**- Continued recovery  
**Rev. Bill Williams**- Colon cancer / surgery

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### **Great and Mighty is the Lord Our God**

Great and mighty is the Lord our God, Great and mighty is He!  
Great and mighty is the Lord our God, Great and mighty is He!  
Lift your banner let the anthems ring, praises to our King!  
Great and mighty is the Lord our God, Great and mighty is He!

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### **His Name is Life**

His name is Master, Savior, Lion of Judah  
Blessed Prince of Peace  
Shepherd, Fortress, Rock of Salvation,  
Lamb of God Is He  
Son of David, King of the Ages, Eternal Life  
Holy Lord of Glory, His name is Life