



United Methodist Church of Antioch

Baptism of our Lord Sunday

January 12, 2025

PRELUDE

When Morning Guilds the Sky

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun, Jan. 12 Worship 8am & 10:30am
Choir/Sunday School 9:15am
Confirmation Class 3-4pm/Wesley Hall
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Mon, Jan. 13 AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Tues, Jan. 14 UMCAP Board Mtg 2:15-3:15pm/Wesley Hall
Bible Study 4pm
AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Wed, Jan. 15 Trustees Mtg 6:30-7:30pm/Wesley Hall
AA 7-8pm & 8-9pm/White Rm 102
- Thurs, Jan. 16 AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Fri, Jan. 17 AA 6:30-7:30pm/White Rm 102
- Sat, Jan. 18 District Leadership Training- Naperville, IL.
AA 6-7pm/White Rm 102
- Sun, Jan. 19 Worship 8am & 10:30am
Choir/Sunday School 9:15am
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Relations Day Handbells 11:45am
Confirmation Class 3-4pm/Wesley Hall
AA 8-9pm/White Rm 102

~Please note, the worship service is recorded and streamed to the internet, and there are large print bulletins, hymnals, and Bibles available. See an usher if you would like one. Additionally, there are handicap accessible restrooms located in Wesley Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Your end of year giving statements are available in Wesley Hall. Please help the church save stamps by picking them up by January 26th. All remaining statements will be mailed.
 - The Missions Committee is starting their New Year of Giving. Please grab a month-long Open Arms calendar donation list in Wesley Hall. Bring in donations weekly or at the end of the month.
 - 2025 Prairie Central Leadership Training is coming January 18th to Grace UMC in Naperville, IL! It is \$15 per person (includes lunch), or total of \$60 per Church (4+ people). There are a wide variety of classes, and you have the opportunity to take 3. For more information, the list of classes, or to register visit: <https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/prairie-central-leadership-training-2025>
 - Downers Grove First UMC is hosting a Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration on Sunday, January 19th at 3pm. There will be a worship service, music, food, and Rev. Danita R. Anderson, Assistant to the Bishop, is guest speaking! For more info and to register visit: <https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/nic-mlk-celebration-2025>
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MISSION STATEMENT (Unison)

The mission of the United Methodist Church of Antioch is to grow in faith; to worship God following the teachings of Jesus Christ, and to be instruments of God's love through the Holy Spirit as we reach out to our community and the world.

**Invites you to stand as you are able or to sit with gusto!*

***WE ARE WELCOMED TO WORSHIP (Responsively)**

L: Water-washed and Spirit-born, we find our identity in Jesus Christ.

P: Jesus himself, came to the water and asked to be baptized. He humbled himself before God and asked of God the same experience that his followers would have.

L: Our sins can be overwhelming and can feel catastrophic. In Christ, however, they are gone.

P: We are free in Jesus to live without the hindrances that used to hold us back.

L: It doesn't matter what we've done or where we've been, Jesus invites us to fully be a part of his family.

P: Jesus walks with us through our whole lives. We are grateful that he has gathered us in.

***HYMN Red Hymnal #252**

When Jesus Came to Jordan

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

Water is one of those elements that is part of our daily lives, O God of Second Chances and New Beginnings. Everywhere we turn – we wash our hands in it, we bathe in it, we food prep with it, we drink it, and we have to navigate it when it falls from the sky. How, O Lord, could you do something so amazing with something so ordinary? We ask that you do the same with us. Use us ordinary people to be amazing witnesses of yours in the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Down by the Jordan, a prophet named John was baptizing,
preaching a message the people found bold and surprising.
“God will forgive! Show that you’ll change how you live!
Surely God’s new day is rising!”

There by the river, the crowd came with great expectation:
“Are you God’s Chosen One, sent here to rescue our nation?”
“No!” John replied. “He who is mightier than I
judges and offers salvation.”

Jesus, you went to be baptized with along with the others,
taking your place among sinners, God’s lost sons and
daughters.
Then with great love, God’s Spirit came as a dove!
Your work began in those waters.

Here in the Church, we are baptized and filled with God’s
Spirit.
Freed and forgiven, we’re welcomed with joy! Can you hear
it?
This is God’s sign! This is how God says, “You’re mine!”
Let’s take the good news and share it!

WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING (Unison)

**As we remember your baptism, Jesus, help us to
remember what a new beginning feels like. Help us
remember that we can always start over. Help us
remember that we are all a part of the family you have
created in all of our baptisms. We ask that you use every
resource that is available to you, O God, to open us to what
you have to say today. May we hear and understand your
message for us as individuals and for our community. In
Christ’s name we pray. Amen.**

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS – Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, “I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

L: The word of God for the people of God.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION

Shared Covenant

Rev. Katie Voigt

BAPTISMAL REAFFIRMATION

MORNING PRAYERS

Joys/Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

***THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM (10:30 service)

UMCA Choir

There Is A Savior

OFFERTORY

Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

***DOXOLOGY #95**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS TO GOD (Unison)**

God of the water that cleans us, the land that feeds us, and the air that allows us to breathe your Spirit in and out of us; you claim us in our baptism, but too few of us even remember our own baptism. And if we remember our baptism, we too rarely grasp its meaning and power. Some of us have yet to choose baptism, but we love you and all that you are teaching us. As we present our tithes and offering in worship and witness Christ's baptism once again, may we remember that in that water we were, like Christ, commissioned to go: to teach, preach, heal, and even to take up a cross. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN Black Hymnal #2251**

We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus

***WE GO FORTH WITH BLESSING (Responsively)**

L: It is easy to forget that the people we gather for worship with, here in this place, are more than just people to share the pews with.

P: We have entered into a covenant with God, those gathered here, and all who claim the name of Christian and we will do our best to walk together in the love of Jesus Christ.

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

P: And also with you. Amen.

***POSTLUDE** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

Red indicates “The United Methodist Hymnal”

Black indicates “The Faith We Sing”

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Worship Attendance/Giving for

December 24, 2024

5pm- 52 7pm- 117

General Fund: \$522

Christmas: \$4,551

Worship Attendance/Giving for Sunday

January 5, 2025

8am- 38 10:30am- 51

General Fund: \$7,436

Missions: \$115.95

Building: \$270

Memorial: \$150

Boiler: \$625

Christmas Giving: \$100

Food Pantry: \$10

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

January 12

January 19

Greeters

8:00am	Shelby Wais	Jane Buck
10:30am	Sally Rodgers	Susan Antonelli

Ushers

8:00am	Dawn Vogel	Irv Metz
10:30am	Jerry Topcik	Chris Shannon

Soundboard

8:00am	Walt Cichonski	Denny Sathoff
10:30am	Phil Georgia	Isaac Platzbecker

Liturgists

8:00am	Mike DeBenedetto	Linda Hensgen
10:30am	Judy Tetour	Nikki Georgia

Coffee Servers

8:00am	Jane Buck Barb Cantrell	Kathy & Carleen Wurster (both services)
10:30am	Chris Hofius-Krampe Karen Heinsohn	

Openers

Mike DeBenedetto	Metz Family
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Prayer Card

8:00am	Nancy Colby	Shelby Wais
10:30am	Ardy Lange	(Needed)

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Please Note:

Deadline for the Newsletter is the 15th of each month-for the FOLLOWING month Send info in Word doc or body of email to editorumca@gmail.com

Next deadline is January 15th for the February newsletter.

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.