

CENTERING MOMENT and WORDS OF WELCOME

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

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Inspired by Psalm 29

One: Ascribe to Creator glory and honor!

Many: The Voice of the Holy One hovers over the waters and speaks creation into being.

One: Ascribe to the Holy One strength and peace!

Many: The Voice of the Sovereign One calls for justice, love, and righteousness.

One: Ascribe to the Omnipresent One power and gentleness!

Many: The Voice of the Gracious One gives life and reigns forever and ever.

*OPENING HYMN

#391 *In the Midst of New Dimensions*

INVOCATION

Three-in-One God, you come among us in the fullness of your being and affirm the fullness of our humanity—mind, body, and spirit. In you, we find joy and pleasure. In you, we claim peace and hope. In you, we arise to greet a new day and a new way of being. Shape us in this time together that we might reflect your goodness and your way. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:1-13

SERMON

Baptism of Jesus: You are My Beloved

Rev. Melanie Weiner

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

*HYMN

#423 *Great is Your Faithfulness*

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

* DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, the Source of life and birth;
Praise God, the Word who came to earth;
Praise God, the Spirit, holy flame;
All glory, honor to God's name. Amen.**



*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Let us return a portion of our abundance to the creative and liberating energy and work of God in the world. May our resources be used for the glory of the Holy One and in the name of the One who modeled abiding generosity. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Creator (Father, Mother, God,...) in Heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

#514 *Over My Head*

*BENEDICTION

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584 *I Am the Light of the World (Refrain)*

“I am the light of the world! You people come and follow me!”
If you follow and love, you'll learn the mystery of what you were meant to do and be.

Skyland Community Church, UCC



Sunday Morning Worship January 14, 2024 Baptism of Jesus

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