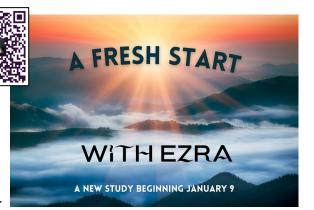
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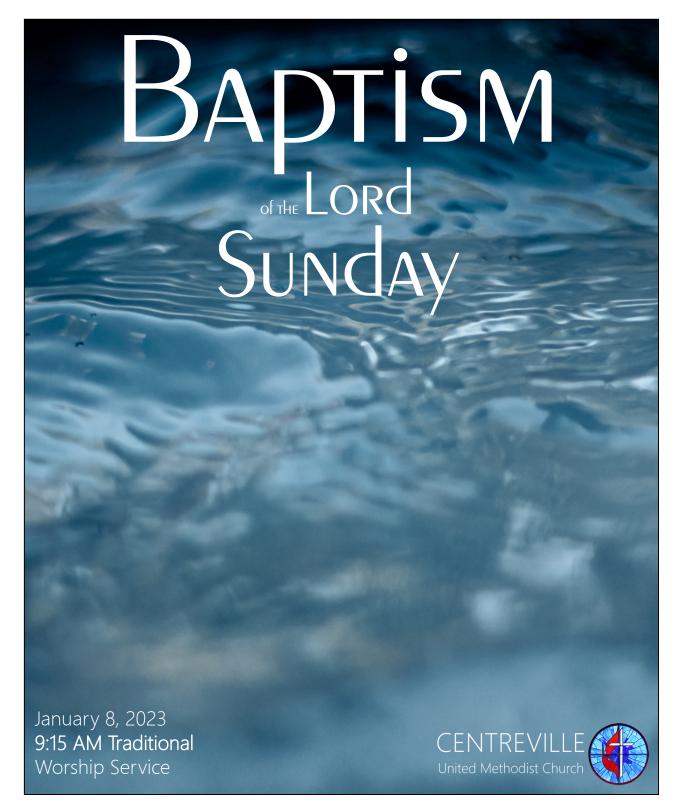
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The Service of Worship

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Welcome Rev. Phil Mohr

Prelude The Peace May Be Exchanged Locklair Laura Hesse, organ

*Call to Worship

God says: "I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness;

I have taken you by the hand."

God gives us as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations.

God says: "I am the Lord, that is My name:

My glory I give to no other."

The former things have come to pass;

now God declares a new thing.

*Opening Hymn When Jesus Came to Jordan Hymnal No. 252

Opening Prayer

Holy One, in the waters of the Jordan You claimed Jesus as Your beloved Son. Send Your Holy Spirit to anoint us, that we may be filled with Your grace and live as Your beloved children; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem Down to the River to Pray traditional/arr. Curry

Chancel Choir

Children Dismissed to Kids Quest

First Lesson Acts 10:34-43 Pew Bible NT Pg. 129

*Hymn Spirit of God TFWS No. 2117

Stzs. 1, 2 & 5 – all, Stz. 3 – high voices, Stz. 4 – low voices

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 3:13-17 Pew Bible NT Pg. 3

Response:

Pastor: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon "A Rite of Passage" Rev. Will Montgomery

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Geitra Mickelson

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Sacrament of Baptism Clay Orlick Hymnal No. 33

Reception of New Members Kari Argabright, Clay Orlick Hymnal No. 38

*Hymn At the Font We Start Our Journey TFWS No. 2114

*Benediction

*Benediction Response Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace Hymnal No. 668

Postlude Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized arr. Kosche

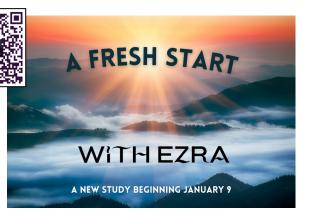
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GATHER

Gathering

Gathering Song Let The Praises Ring

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Praise Songs Who You Say I Am

Fresh Wind

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Giving

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

<u>GO</u>

Closing Song No Longer Slaves

Sending