

Welcome to . . .
The Presbyterian Church of Saint David
January 14, 2018
The Baptism of our Lord

Call to Worship:

L> Let us gather now in the light of God!

ALL> Behold, God is doing a new thing!

L> God calls us to bring forth justice, to be a light to the nations
to open eyes that are blind, to free those held captive.

ALL> Behold, God is doing a new thing!

L> God is with us as we do God's work.
God has chosen us to bring light to all people.

ALL> Behold, God is doing a new thing!

Hymn: Christ, when for us you were baptized 183

Prayer: (said together)

**O Christ, there is no plant in the ground
but it is full of your virtue.**

**There is no form in the strand
but it is full of your blessing.**

**There is no life in the sea,
there is no creature in the ocean,
there is nothing in the heavens
but proclaims your goodness.**

**There is no bird on the wing,
there is no star in the sky,
there is nothing beneath the sun
but proclaims your goodness. Amen.**

(A Celtic Prayer)

RESPONSE in Preparation for the Readings:

L> Listen for the Word that God has spoken;

**ALL> Speak, Lord, to our speaking,
speak, Lord, to our listening,
speak, Lord, to our souls' deep understanding.**

The Word of God: *Genesis 1:1-5*

Psalms 29

Mark 1:4-11

L> For the Word of God in scripture,
for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us.

ALL> Thanks be to God.

Reflection

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Blessing, Prayers for Others

Spoken Response L> Lord in your mercy,

ALL> hear our prayer.

Communion

Prayer

Hymn: We cannot own the sunlit sky 717

Blessing:

L> Deep peace of the running wave to you,
deep peace of the flowing air to you,
deep peace of the quiet earth to you,
deep peace of the shining stars to you,
deep peace of the Son of Peace to you.

ALL> Amen.

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