

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING HYMN (CH) # 97 Fairest Lord Jesus

1 Fairest Lord Jesus,
ruler of all nature,
O thou of God to
earth come down;
thee will I cherish,
thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory,
joy, and crown.

2 Fair are the meadows,
fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming
garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
who makes the woeful
heart to sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine,
fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling,
starry hosts:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer,
than all the angels
heaven can boast.

BRINGING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST OUT INTO THE WORLD

CHORAL BENEDICTION *This Little Light of Mine*

BENEDICTION

Pastor Jane

POSTLUDE *Bind Us Together*

Joanie Brown

Please join us for Coffee and Fellowship following the service

Thank you for coming to worship with us!

IMMEDIATE NEEDS PRAYER LIST : Pam Berryhill, Jeff Buxton, C.J., Connie Munukka, Carlene Kasuba, Dorothy Stack, Shawn and Becky; Jessica Smith, David Stack, Joe Verga, Rick Hall, Jeanne Cole, Erik VanScoy, Vance, Mary Ann Charron, Michelle Grenier, Chris, Joe and Matt, Peter, Jennifer Clement.

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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF FAIR HAVEN

~ALL ARE WELCOME HERE! ~ JANUARY 11, 2026 ~

~ BAPTISM OF THE LORD ~



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY *"Baptism does not save you. It identifies you."* -Tertullian



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PRELUDE *Jesus Love Me* Joanie Brown

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Jane

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES & RINGING OF THE BELL Lynn Stack

One: What is our church's mission?

Many: To embody God's powerful love...

- welcoming all people, with a vision and message of hope,
- weaving deep relationships with Jesus and each other,
- working, praising and playing in our towns and world.

OPENING HYMN (CH) # 352 *Spirit Song*

Oh, let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love;

Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul

Oh, let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit, like a dove,

Will descend upon your life and make you whole

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs

Oh, come and sing the song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy

Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name

Oh, give him all your tears and sadness, give him all your years of pain,

And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, you who are weary, you who have been bruised by life, you whose flame has flickered in the winds of the world.

People: *We come, longing to be renewed.*

Leader: The Holy One who stretches out the heavens is stretching us now—stretching our hearts toward courage, our hands toward compassion, our lives toward gentle justice.

People: *We open ourselves to be stretched into new life.*

Leader: A voice from heaven says to us, as it said to Jesus: You are my beloved. This Spirit rests upon us, too.

People: *We are God's Beloved, called to bring gentle justice.*

Leader: Come, let us remember who we are. Let us worship with joy.

INVOCATION Lisa Fenwick

PRAISE & WORSHIP (CH) # 263 *Surely the Presence of the Lord*

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,

I can feel His mighty power and His grace.

I can hear the brush of angel's wings

I see glory on each face;

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

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.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

TIME WITH THE YOUNG—A MESSAGE OF GOD'S LOVE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 3:13-17

Judy Sheldon

SERMONIC HYMN (CH) # 367 *Take Me to the Water*

1 Take me to the water,

take me to the water,

take me to the water

to be baptized.

2 None but the righteous,

none but the righteous,

none but the righteous

shall see God.

3 I love Jesus,

I love Jesus,

I love Jesus,

yes, I do.

4 He's my Savior,

he's my Savior,

he's my Savior,

yes, he is.

SERMON Marked with the Water

Pastor Jane

BAPTISMAL BLESSING