



January 11, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

Centering Words: The light we carried through Advent now leads us to the river. At the Jordan, Jesus stood in solidarity with the broken and the seeking. God's voice broke the silence: "Beloved." That word rests on you today. Listen for it as we worship.

Disciples Gather to Worship God

☛ **Welcome (hopeaustin.org/connect)**

Rev. Dr. Josh Robinson

Welcome to Hope Presbyterian Church where we:

Invite All to Worship God, Grow in Faith, and Follow Jesus by Serving Others!

♫ **Prelude**

Baptized in Water
Dr. Kathy Winston, organ

arr. John Behnke

☛ **Call to Worship**

Ann Hayden

We gather at the water's edge, where Jesus stood with sinners.

God meets us here with mercy.

We come not because we are worthy, but because we are called.

God names us beloved before we do anything.

We lift our voices in praise to the One who claims us.

Let us worship the God who delights in us.

Siblings in the family of Christ, let us worship God!

♫ **Hymn of Praise 475 (GTG)**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

☛ **Response: Praise the Lord! The Lord's name be praised!**

☛ **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, you have named us beloved and called us to bear your light, but we confess we have turned away from that calling. We have chosen comfort over courage, silence over witness, and distance over solidarity with our neighbors. Forgive us and restore us.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Renew in us the grace of our baptism, that we may follow Jesus with courage and love our neighbors with compassion, Amen.

☛ **Assurance of God's Forgiveness**

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel! **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

- ↑ Indicates when we are to rise, as we are able.
- ☛ Indicates when someone is praying.
- 📖 Indicates when Scripture is read
- ♫ Indicates when music is sung or heard.
- ☛ Indicates when someone is speaking.

- Bold text** is read or sung by the congregation.
- A children's entertainment bag is located at the narthex entrance.
- A Sensory Sensitivity bag is located at the entrance to the sanctuary.
- GTG– *Glory to God* purple hymnal
- STF– *Sing the Faith* blue hymnal

⬆️🎵 **Response 143** (GTG)

Angels from the Realms of Glory (vs. 4)

REGENT SQUARE

All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son,
Evermore your voices raising to the eternal Three in One;
Come and worship! Come and worship! Worship Christ, the newborn King!

⬆️🕊️ **Sharing the Peace:** The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all! **And also with you.**

Disciples Listen to the Word of God

⬆️🎵 **Hymn 482** (GTG)

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

✝️🕊️ **Prayer for Illumination**

👶 **Children's Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Krystal Leedy

Following the Children's Sermon, children ages 3 through Elementary are invited to Little Church in the Fellowship Building. This worship for children concludes at 11:15 on non-communion Sundays. On Communion Sunday, children will return to their families during worship.

**The Bible, the Bible is the Word of God,
The Bible, the Bible is the Word of God,
And the Word of God will help us grow, grow, grow,
The Word of God will help us grow.**

📖 **Gospel Reading**

Matthew 3:13-17 (NRSV)

Bible, pg. 784

👤 **Sermon**

Light Bearers: Beloved, Then Sent

Rev. Dr. Josh Robinson

Worship+2: GROW

This week, touch water and remember your baptism. As you wash your hands or take a shower, hear God speak your name: beloved. Then choose one neighbor to pray for by name each day, asking God to show you one way to bear Christ's light to them.

Disciples Respond to the Call of God

✝️ **Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer**

Rev. Dr. John Leedy

Hear our prayers, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in eternal glory, and taught us to pray together saying:

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

🎵 **Response 2253** (STF)

Water, River, Spirit, Grace

TRES RIOS

**Water, River, Spirit, Grace, sweep over me, sweep over me!
Recarve the depths your fingers traced in sculpting me, in sculpting me.**

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Prayer @ Home

First responders: police, firefighters, EMTs: Protect and bless our first responders, Lord, as they risk their lives to save others.

👤 **Call to Discipleship**

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Please join in singing the Refrain after each verse.

Come, be baptized in the name of the Father.

Come, be baptized in the name of the Son.

Come, be baptized in the of the Spirit.

Come, be baptized in love. CCLI #1777537 © 1982 Hope Publishing Co.

✠ Prayer of Dedication

Claiming Our Baptism: Identity, Community, and Calling

Today we welcome new members, renew our baptismal promises together, and ordain leaders to specific service. All three actions flow from the same grace: God's baptism claims us as beloved, gathers us into community, and sends us to serve the world.

IDENTITY

Sarah Larson & Joseph Stovall and Michael Payton

Trusting in the mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin that separate you from the love of God, and in the name of Jesus Christ do you renounce the power of evil in the world? **I do.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ, accepting him as your Lord and Savior? **I do.**

Will you endeavor to be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love? **I will.**

You have publicly professed your faith. Will you be a faithful member of Hope Presbyterian Church, sharing in our worship and ministries through your prayers, your financial gifts, your study, and service as we all seek to fulfill our calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ? **I will.**

COMMUNITY

Let us, the members and friends of Hope Presbyterian Church, express our welcome and affirm our mutual ministry in Christ.

We welcome you with joy into this family of faith. We covenant with you to equip one another for the work to which we feel called as Christ's disciples: inviting all to worship God, growing in faith, and following Jesus by serving others. May God bless our ministry together as individuals and as the family of God.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CALLING

To be ordained and installed as Deacon, class of 2028:

Liz Steinheider

To be ordained and installed as Ruling Elder, class of 2028:

Marcelo Gonzalez

Do you, the members of the church, accept these persons as ruling elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.**

Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

As you leave worship today, you are invited to take a glass bead from the narthex to commemorate the renewal of your baptismal vows. Keep this bead somewhere visible—in your pocket, on your desk, or in your car—as a tangible reminder of God's claim on your life and your calling as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Disciples Depart to Serve God

↑🎵 Hymn 69 (GTG)

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky (vss. 1 & 3)

HERE I AM LORD

🗳️ Congregational Meeting

Opening Prayer

Rev. Dr. Josh Robinson, Moderator

Establish Quorum

Karen McElhinney, Clerk

Report from Nominating Committee

Jim Henry, Elder, Chair

Approve 2026 Nominating Committee

Elders Caitlin Hedrick (chair), Carla Young, Frank Adkins

Deacon

Member

↑🗳️ Charge & Benediction

You are baptized. You are beloved. You are sent. Go into the world as bearers of Christ's light. Serve your neighbors with courage. Seek justice with humility. Trust that the Spirit goes with you. And may God bless you and keep you.

↑🎵 Response

Emmanuel

Bob McGee

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel.

God with us, revealed in us, His name is called Emmanuel.

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🎵 Postlude

Das alte Jahr vergangen ist (The Old Year Has Passed)

Johann G. Walther

Invite all to worship God

Grow in Faith

Follow Jesus by serving others