

***Order of Worship for:
Sunday, January 2, 2022***

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS: *(Any Congregant, Please Stand & Speak Loudly!)*

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is near to all who call, to all who call on God in truth

Many: God fulfills the desires of all who fear God, God hears their cry

One: God watches over all who Love God

Many: My mouth will speak the praise of God, and all flesh will bless God's holy name.

HYMN (please stand) **18** **Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer** (Black Hymnal)

PRAYER OF INVOCATION: *(All together)*

Holy God, we come before you with awe, for you are great in love and power. Some of us come with reluctance, some with joy: some with sadness, some with fear. Yet we know you accept us as we are. Stay with us as we share the risks of living by faith. Touch us with your healing fire. Speak to us through your word, and in the silence. Renew us and send us forth eager to express the joy we have in you. Amen

CALL TO PRAISE

One: Lift up your hearts!

Many: We lift them up unto the Lord.

One: O Lord, open Thou our lips

**Many: And our mouths shall show forth
Thy praise**

THE GLORIA PATRI (all Sing)

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

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Welcome
Prayer of Confession
Words of Institution
Sharing of the Elements

HYMN (seated) **393** **Blessed Be the Tie that Binds** (Black Hymnal)

Passing the Peace of Christ

SCRIPURE READING **Matthew 3: 1-17**

SERMON Beginnings Rev David Poole

INVITATION TO OFFERING: *(Ushers will pass plates)*

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*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION: *(Pastor)*

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS *(Congregation)*

PASTORAL PRAYER *(Pastor)*

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(all together)*

*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*

HYMN **290** **Spirit of God, Descend Upon..**(verses 1, 4,5) (Black Hymnal)

BENEDICTION: *(Pastor)*