

# Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2021

## Adnah United Methodist Church

Rev. David D. McManus, Jr.

Pastor

### Facebook Live:

We will go live at 10:50 AM. Worship will begin at 11:00 AM. **You do not have to be a member of Facebook to view the service.** For instructions on connecting to our Facebook page, click here:

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### Offerings:

Our gifts to God through Adnah are vital to the support of ministry, our facility, and the salaries of our staff. If you attend in-person, you will find a pail placed at the entrance in which you may place your gift to God. If you attend online, you may mail a check to:

Adnah UMC 1 Adnah Dr. Rock Hill, SC 29732. Or, you may give online at our website

[www.adnahumc.org](http://www.adnahumc.org)

### Service Notes:

The words in bold are read by all. The lyrics for the hymns are located on the last pages.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude:

Call to Worship: "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

Chancel Choir

Greeting:

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The grace of the Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you!

**And also with you!**

There is one Body and one Spirit;

**There is one hope in God's call to us;**

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

**One God and Father of all.**

Prayer:

**Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan revealed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn: "When Jesus Came to Jordan"

The Morning Prayer followed by 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.**

Scripture Lesson: Mark 1:4-11

Sermon: "Jesus Came"

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Celebrated for Amelia Grace Bowen, Gabriel Thomas Bowen, and Genevieve Lynn Bowen

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT II  
HOLY BAPTISM  
FOR CHILDREN AND OTHERS UNABLE TO  
ANSWER FOR THEMSELVES

INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVICE

**Pastor:**

Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit.

All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

We present Amelia Grace Bowen, Gabriel Thomas Bowen, and Genevieve Lynn Bowen for baptism.

## RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

*Since the earliest times, the vows of Christian baptism have consisted first of the renunciation of all that is evil and then the profession of faith and loyalty to Christ. Parents and other sponsors reaffirm these vows for themselves and take on the responsibilities of sponsorship.*

*The pastor addresses parents and other sponsors:*

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

**I do.**

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

**I do.**

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

**I do.**

Will you nurture Amelia Grace Bowen, Gabriel Thomas Bowen, and Genevieve Lynn Bowen in Christ's holy Church, that by your teaching and example they may be guided to accept God's grace for themselves, to profess their faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?

**I will.**

*The pastor addresses the congregation, and the congregation responds:*

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

**We do.**

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include Amelia Grace Bowen, Gabriel Thomas Bowen, and Genevieve Lynn Bowen now before you in your care?

**With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.**

*The pastor addresses all:*

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

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?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.]**

Do you believe in 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.]**

#### THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Eternal Father:

When nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light. In the days of Noah you saved those on the ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow. When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea. Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

**Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's mercy each day.**

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb. He was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit. He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

**Declare Christ's works to the nations, his glory among all the people.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and Amelia Grace, Gabriel Thomas, and Genevieve Lynn who receive it, to wash away their sin and clothe them in righteousness throughout their lives, that, dying and being raised with Christ, they may share in his final victory.

**All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever. Amen.**

#### BAPTISM WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

*Name*, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*Pastor, laying hand on the newly baptized:*

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*The pastor invites the congregation to welcome them:*

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sisters and brother in Christ.

**Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as members of the family of Christ.**

## COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

### *The pastor addresses the congregation:*

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

### *The congregation responds:*

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

### *The pastor addresses those baptized and their parents and sponsors:*

The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace.

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Hymn: "This Is the Spirit's Entry Now"

Benediction

Choral Benediction: "Go With Us, Lord"

Chancel Choir

# 241 When Jesus Came to Jordan

1 When Je - sus came to Jor - dan to be bap - tized by John,  
 2 He came to share temp - ta - tion, our ut - most woe and loss,  
 3 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, aid us to keep the vows we make;

he did not come for par - don but as the sin - less one.  
 for us and our sal - va - tion to die up - on the cross.  
 this ver - y day in - vade us, and ev - ery bond - age break.

He came to share re - pent - ance with all who mourn their sins,  
 So when the dove de - scend - ed on him, the Son of Man,  
 Come, give our lives di - rec - tion, the gift we cov - et most:

to speak the vi - tal sen - tence with which good news be - gins.  
 the hid - den years had end - ed, the age of grace be - gan.  
 to share the res - ur - rec - tion that leads to Pen - te - cost.

WORDS: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000); para. Matthew 3:13-17, Mark 1:9-11, Luke 3:21-22  
 MUSIC: *Neuermehrtes Gesangbuch*, 1693

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## This Is the Spirit's Entry Now

1. This is the Spir - it's en - try now: the  
 2. Let wa - ter be the sa - cred sign that  
 3. Re - new - ing Spir - it, hear our praise for

wa - ter and the word, the cross of Je - sus  
 we must die each day, to rise a - gain by  
 your bap - tis - mal power that wash - es us through

on your brow, the seal both felt and heard.  
 his de - sign as fol - lowers of his way.  
 all our days. Lord, cleanse a - gain this hour.

WORDS: Thomas E. Herbranson, 1972 (Rom. 6:3-4)

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