Fruitland and Payette United Methodist Churches

January 10, 2021

First Sunday after Epiphany

## Prelude

## *Shall We Gather at the River/On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand*

African-American Spirituals arranged by Glenda Austin

## Welcome

## Interlude *Deep River* arranged by Ethel Smith

## *Welcoming the neighborhood to worship*

Call To Worship:

Reading from Psalm 29

Leader: Praise the Lord, you angels in heaven. Praise the Lord for his glory and strength.

People: **Praise the Lord for the glory that belongs to him. Worship the Lord because of his beauty and holiness.**

Leader: The Lord rules from his throne as King forever.

People: **The Lord give strength to his people.**

All: **The Lord blesses his people with peace.**

Calling Song

**O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,**

**O come, ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.**

**Come and behold him, born the King of angels;**

*Refrain*

**O come, let us adore him,**

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**O come, let us adore him,**

**Christ the Lord!**

**For he alone is worthy.**

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Unison Invocation

**Eternal God,**

**We know that you do not exist to answer our prayers.**

**Please forgive us when we act differently.**

**But we are needy people. Needy for you.**

**Inspire us with the fire of your Spirit  
to join in the transforming work of Jesus.  
We ask this in his name.**

**Amen.**

Old Testament Reading Genesis 1:1-5

Gospel Reading Mark 1:4-11

*God’s Word for God’s people*

**Thanks be to God**

Prayers of the People

Hymn *On Jordan’s Stormy Banks* UMH #724

**On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,  
and cast a wishful eye  
to Canaan's fair and happy land,  
where my possessions lie.**

**Refrain:  
I am bound for the promised land,  
I am bound for the promised land;  
oh, who will come and go with me?  
I am bound for the promised land.**

**No chilling winds or poisonous breath  
can reach that healthful shore;  
sickness and sorrow, pain and death,  
are felt and feared no more. [Refrain]**

**When I shall reach that happy place,  
I'll be forever blest,  
for I shall see my Father's face,  
and in his bosom rest. [Refrain]**

Message “They Invited Him” Acts 19:1-7

Commitment Hymn *Amazing Grace* UMH #

Benediction

**May the peace of the Lord Jesus go with you   
wherever he may send you.**

**May he guide you through the wilderness,**

**protect you through the storm.**

**May he bring you home rejoicing   
at the wonders he has shown you.**

**May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.**

## Postlude *Wade in the Water* arranged by Dan Fox

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