

First Congregational Church  
of Orange City  
United Church of Christ

Sunday January 16, 2022

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



*“No matter who you are or where you are on Life’s  
Journey, you are welcome here.”*

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday January 16, 2022, 10:30AM

## THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"One tiny hand to guide and hold, one tiny life to shape  
and mold; each child, a gift from God above,  
A symbol of His strength and love."

**\* Please stand in body or spirit**  
(Songs are from the Black Hymnal)

Prelude: *"Take me to the Water"*

Mario Saponaro

\*Choral Introit: *"As We Gather"*

Mario Saponaro

Welcome *with* The Ministries of the Church

**\*Hymn of Praise: *"All Things Bright and Beautiful"***

**No.31**

**\*Gathering Prayer** God of the covenant, you anointed your beloved Son with the power of the Holy Spirit, to be light for the nations and release for the captives. Grant that we who are born of water and the Spirit May proclaim the good news of his peace and show forth in our lives the victory of his justice. We make this prayer through Jesus Christ, you're a Word made flesh, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, in the splendor of eternal light, God for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Baptism of Ruby Elizabeth Bass**

Pastor: Justin and Taylor, is it your desire that Ruby Elizabeth Bass be baptized into this faith?

**Parents: It is.**

Pastor: Do you, in presenting Ruby Elizabeth, confess your faith in God, creator of all life, source of all love, and in Jesus, the Christ, as Lord and Savior?

**Parents: We do.**

Pastor: Do you recognize Ruby Elizabeth as a child of God, created with her own individual worth and value, and do you promise to love her as an affirmation of that sense of worth?

**Parents: We do.**

Pastor: Will you share the joy and the power of the community of faith with her and, when the opportunity is presented, support her efforts in preparing for confirmation of these vows which you have made in her behalf this day?

**Parents: We Will.**

**Rev. Westcott:** Jesus Christ calls us to make disciples of all nations and to offer them the gift of grace in baptism. Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to the one about to be baptized as he lives and grows in Christ?

**People: We promise our love, support, and care.**

**Prayer Hymn: “God Will Take Care of You”**

**No. 460**

Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17

Message: “*The Baptism of Jesus*” Rev. David Westcott

Call to 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.**

Prayer of Commitment and Dedication

Morning Prayer, Silent Prayer, The Lord’s Prayer (debts and debtors)

**\* Closing Hymn: “O Jesus, I Have Promised”**

**No.493**

\*Benediction

Postlude: “*Jesus Loves Me*”

Mario Saponaro

“Go in peace and love”



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	10:30 AM 7 PM	MORNING WORSHIP *Sobriety First (JMH)
MONDAY		OFFICE CLOSED
	7:30 PM	*Grateful Group (JMH)
TUESDAY	6:15 -7:15 PM	*Sisters In Sobriety (JMH)
SATURDAY	10:30-11:30 AM	*Women's Weekend of AA (JMH)
*Inglesia Casa Pentacostal de Resauracion inc. Mon-Sun (FH)		

\*Indicates a community group which uses our facility. (JMH) Jane Murray Hall  
(Located behind the sanctuary) (FH) Fellowship Hall (located west of the sanctuary)

Rev. David Wescott, Pastor  
Sharon Brown, Church Administrator  
Mario Sapanoro, Pianist  
Jahir Laboy, Zoom/AV Technician

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Time to submit annual reports January 19, is the deadline.**

**Leadership Meeting Wednesday January 26, 9:30am JMH.**

**Rev. David Westcott will be in the Office and available for calls/visits most Thursdays from 1pm-3pm. If these days are not convenient other arrangements can be made.**

*Welcome to this holy place and to this sacred hour. It is holy because God is here. It is sacred because we will meet God in all that is said and done in this place. May each of us be open to God's divine presence. It is our prayer that God will touch each of us at the point of our greatest need.*

“Let God’s word fill your memory, rule your heart, and guide your life, that together as a church family we serve God’s will in the world.”