\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

O God, at his baptism, you acknowledged Jesus as your beloved Son, and through him you opened to us a way to become your children by grace.

May these gifts we return to you be a sign of our dedication to live as your faithful daughters and sons, born in the waters of baptism by the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

## WE DEPART TO SERVE

\*Hymn 164 Down Galilee's Slow Road

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Choir Response Hymn 155 Raise a Song of Gladness

\***Postlude** *I Won't Have to Cross Jordan Alone* T. Ramsey/C. Durham



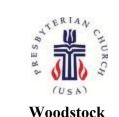
# WOODSTOCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019 - 11:00 AM BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!"" Psalm 122:1

Welcome to all who gather to worship today! We hope you feel warmly welcomed and even "at home," for all are welcome in God's house! If you are a guest today, we are honored by your presence with us and hope to see you again! Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register located in the pew. Everyone is invited to stay for our fellowship hour following worship!

WPC Vision & Mission Statement	WE GATHER TO WORSHIPPreludePeace Like a RiverR. Courtney/B. Red
Growing and Building in the Love of Christ Ephesians 4:16	Come, Be Baptized G. Smith/Arr. J. Schrader Deep River Spiritual
We ENVISION a church that:	<b>Tone Chimes</b> When Peace Like a River
† Is kind, generous, hospitable and	Welcome and Announcements
welcoming.	(Please sign the Friendship Pads located in each pew.)
† Involves everyone in local and global mission.	Call to Worship Ps. 29; Luke 3:21–22
Treats everyone as a Child of God.	The voice of God resounds upon the water. <i>The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream.</i>
Shares our time, talents, and treasure.	The Son of God is named, "Beloved."
Our MISSION is to grow and build in:	And all who worship shout out, "Glory!" Ascribe to the Lord majesty and strength.
Faith through worship, prayer, and Bible study.	Let us worship God in holy splendor.
<ul> <li>Fellowship with one another and with</li> </ul>	*Hymn 475 Come Thou Fount
guests.	Prayer of Confession
Hospitality shown to our community and world.	We are precious in your sight, yet we often forget that we are your beloved. We confess that our love is fickle
Facilities that are exceptional and accessible.	and inconstant. We follow selfish goals and deny that our way of life harms others and hurts your world. We are sorry and we want to change.
* Congregation is invited to stand.	Create in us a clean heart, strengthen our resolve, reconcile us one to another, and bless us with your peace. (silent prayers) Amen.



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## **Declaration of Forgiveness**

\*Gloria Patri (words at right)

Children's Message and The Lord's Prayer **Presbyterian Church** 

**5-Cents-A-Meal Offering** 

Anthem Down to the Water to Pray Traditional

The Rev. Kate Rascoe katerascoe@yahoo.com 757-617-5374

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**Ruling Elders** 

#### Class of 2019

Sharon Baroncelli, Trustee Jane Runyon George Shaffer George Swecker

#### **Class of 2020**

Marian French, Trustee Diane Cook Margaret Nelson Morgan Saeler

### Class of 2021

Jerry Germroth, Trustee Becky Fadely Malinda Johnston Cindy Wilkins

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Reading

Sermon

"Waters of Baptism" Rev. Kate Rascoe

## \*Affirmation of Faith

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy (Spiritual Leaders of the Church) Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit.

> This God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

> We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

> We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another.

We believe that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ.

## We believe that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought.

We believe that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity, and hatred between people and groups is sin.

We believe that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted.

**Gloria Patri** We believe that true faith in Jesus Christ is the only Glorv be to the condition for membership of this church. Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy

Therefore, we reject any doctrine that absolutizes natural diversity in such a way that this hinders or breaks the visible and active unity of the church.

We reject any doctrine that professes that this spiritual world without end. unity is truly being maintained in the bond of peace while believers are alienated from one another and in despair of reconciliation. Our Father, who art in

We reject any doctrine that denies that a refusal earnestly to pursue this visible unity as a priceless gift is sin.

will be done on earth We reject any doctrine that maintains that descent or any as it is in heaven. other human or social factor should be a consideration in Give us this day our daily bread. And determining membership of the church. forgive us our debts

We believe that, in obedience to Jesus Christ, its only as we forgive our head, the church is called to confess and to do all these debtors. And lead us not into temptation, things, but deliver us from

even though the authorities and human laws might forbid them and punishment and suffering be the consequence.

We believe that Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be the honor and the glory for ever and ever.

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Ghost; As it was in

the beginning, is now,

and ever shall be,

The Lord's Prayer

heaven, hallowed be

kingdom come. Thy

evil: For thine is the

kingdom, and the

power, and the glory,

forever. Amen.

Thy

Amen! Amen!

Thy name.

flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below: Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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\*Hymn 482 Baptized in Water

**Prayers of the People** 

**Tithes and Our Offerings** 

Offertory

Old Jordan

L. Smith