



POLK CITY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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New Year

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Worship online: [Facebook Live](#), [ZOOM](#) or on our [Website](#)

"Coffee & Fellowship" begins on ZOOM at 9:15 AM

JOIN ZOOM ONLINE: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86236822821>

CALL BY PHONE: 1-312-626-6799 &

enter **Meeting ID** when prompted: 862 3682 2821

Today is Baptism of the Lord Sunday

Bring a bowl or cup of water into your worship space today
as we remember our baptisms



WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

All words for communal speaking and singing are included below. You are encouraged to either speak the words in bold aloud as you worship, and to sing out your praise, or to attend to these words for worship and meditate on their meaning. You are also invited to greet one another and post prayer requests in the [ZOOM](#) chat, the [Facebook](#) comments or to fill out the [website](#) connect card.

CALL TO WORSHIP

We've come to worship God,
who loved us before we were yet born,
who knows us even better than we know ourselves,
whose presence never leaves us,
and whose love for us never ceases.
This is our God. Come, let us worship!

SONG OF PRAISE

"The River"

OPENING PRAYER

God who watches over us, offering us light and hope, Be with us this day as we hear the story of Jesus' baptism. Help us to remember your healing, cleansing, and claiming love for us. Remind us again of the many ways in which you reach out to us. May the image of the waters be for us an image of hope. Bring us closer to you, loving God. Embrace us again with your love. We open our hearts to you this day. AMEN.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 139: verses 1-6, 13-14; Mark 1:4-11

Maria Steckel

SONG OF PREPARATION

"Water"

SERMON

Rev. Melody Webb

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Andy & Anna Happ

Post prayer requests in the [ZOOM](#) Chat, the [Facebook](#) comments or fill out the [website](#) connect card.

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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Make your offering [online](#) or mail checks to 1421 W. Broadway St., Polk City, IA 50226 (Attn: Finance Secretary)

DOXOLOGY

"Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son

And now let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us
Give thanks

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of redemption and new life, we focus once more this day on the greatest gift ever given – Jesus, our Savior. As he was baptized by John in the Jordan, we were able to share in his baptism and receive the promise of sharing in Jesus' resurrection. As we leave a painful year behind and look with hope to the new year ahead, help us to live and give of ourselves as those who know every day what a great gift we have been given. May it move us to give our whole selves more freely! In the name of Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, we pray! Amen.

WORDS OF BLESSING

SONG OF SENDING

“Love the Lord”