



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*a Stephen Ministry Congregation*

**JANUARY 10, 2021  
BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY  
EIGHT FORTY-FIVE AND ELEVEN O'CLOCK**

*Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.*

**Dr. Jay D. Cooper**  
Senior Minister

**Reverend Lucas S. Tribble**  
Associate Minister

**Reverend Gillian L. Walters**  
Associate Minister

**Reverend Ben A. McDavid**  
Associate Minister

**Dr. C. Jason Borders**  
Theologian in Residence

**Dr. James H. Seay**  
Director of Music

**Dr. Karl K. Stegall**  
Pastor Emeritus

**Bishop David W. Graves**  
Bishop Alabama-West Florida  
Conference

**Dr. Joshua H. Coble**  
Organist/Assistant Director of Music

**Dr. Jeff L. Wilson**  
District Superintendent  
Montgomery-Opelika and  
Montgomery-Prattville Districts

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
2416 West Clovedale Park | Montgomery, Alabama 36106

# MORNING WORSHIP

## LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE

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Prelude

*Choral*

Joseph Jongen

Welcome and Parish Notices

Dr. Jay D. Cooper

Chiming of the Trinity

*The three chimes signify the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit*

Introit

*When Jesus Came to Jordan*

arr. Lester Seigel

\*Processional Hymn

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

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*1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; Praise Him in glad adoration!*

*2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigning, bears thee on eagle's wings, e'er in his keeping maintaining. God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds. Hast thou not known his sustaining.*

*3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee; Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, Who with his love doth befriend thee. Hast thou not known his sustaining.*

*4. Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee, Fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee. Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed, Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.*

*5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him; Let the amen sound from his people again, Gladly forever adore him.*

\*Call to Worship

Rev. Gillian L. Walters

Leader: The voice of the Lord is over the water;

**People: The God of glory thunders over mighty waters.**

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful;

**People: The voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

\*Invocation

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray together.

**All: Holy God, creator of light and herald of goodness, at the waters of his baptism you proclaimed Jesus your beloved Son. With the baptized of every time and generation, may we say yes to your call to repentance and be led to the life of abundance we experience in your kinship and your love. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And 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, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. 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. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

(11:00) Baby Recognition

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Concerns of a Caring Fellowship

Dr. Jay D. Cooper

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

Dr. Jay D. Cooper

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.

**Offertory**

*Baptized Into Your Name Most Holy*  
Cathedral Choir

Donald Busarow

*Baptized into your name most holy, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and lowly, among your seed, your chosen host. Buried with Christ and dead to sin, I have your Spirit now within. My loving Father, here you take me henceforth to be your child and heir; My faithful Savior, here you make me the fruit of all your sorrows share; O Holy Spirit, you comfort me though threatening clouds around I see. O faithful God, you never fail me; Your covenant surely will abide. Let not eternal death assail me should I transgress it on my side! Have mercy when I come defiled; Forgive, lift up, restore your child. All that I am and love most dearly, receive Lord, from me. Oh, let me make my vows sincerely, and help me your own child to be! Let nothing that I am serve any will but yours alone.*

**\*Doxology**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**Children's Minute**

Rev. Lucas S. Tribble

*At 8:45 only, children ages three through first grade will be escorted to Children's Church. Visitors are welcome to accompany their children. Children can be picked up at the close of worship in Room 114 of the Children's Building.*

**\*Gospel Lesson**

Mark 1:1-4; 9-11, 15

**Sermon**

*Do You Really Want Good News?*

Bishop David W. Graves

**Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows**

**Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

*Those desiring to unite with the church, either by profession of faith or by transfer of membership, are invited to contact Rev. Lucas Tribble, [ltribble@fumcmontgomery.org](mailto:ltribble@fumcmontgomery.org).*

**\*Hymn of Invitation**

*Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters*

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*1. Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleansing waters flow. Number them among your people; bless as Christ blessed long ago. Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight.*

*2. We who bring them long for nurture; by your milk may we be fed. Let us join your feast, partaking cup of blessing, living bread. God, renew us, guide our footsteps; free from sin and all its snares, one with Christ in living, dying, by your Spirit, children, heirs.*

*3. Oh, how deep your holy wisdom! Unimagined, all your ways! To your name be glory, honor! With our lives we worship, praise! We your people stand before you, water washed and Spirit born. By your grace, our lives we offer. Recreate us; God, transform!*

**\*Benediction**

Dr. C. Jason Borders

**\*Benediction Response**

*Amen*

arr. John Rutter

**Postlude**

*Prelude on "Deo Gracias"*

Healey Willan

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the babies born in 2020.*

*A nursery is provided during this service of worship for your convenience. The nursery can be found in Wesley Hall, accessed through the double doors on the pulpit side.*

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### LITURGICAL SEASON: EPIPHANY

Epiphany marks the end of the Christmas season and celebrates the incarnation and baptism of Christ. The liturgical color for Baptism of the Lord is white, as we remember Jesus' baptism in the River Jordan.

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### IN MEMORY OF

#### **Larry Dean Dixon**

Respite Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. James Turner, Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Belt, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reifenberg, Miller Engelhardt*  
Music Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lucas*; Building Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Broach*; Memorial Fund: *Dr. and Mrs. Bill Sternberg*

#### **Houston Wayne Gill**

Music Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson, the Carlyle Chandler Family*; Organ Fund: *Kate Blanton, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Schwartz, the Roy Gill Family, Mike Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Criswell, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lucas*

#### **John Pios Mitchell**

Music Ministry: *the Carlyle Chandler Family*

#### **Thomas Winfred Oliver, V**

Memorial Fund: *Mrs. Lee Melton Herman*; Cathedral Builders: *Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson*

#### **Ann Reese Randall**

Building Fund: *the Carlyle Chandler Family*

#### **Frances Threadgill Ward**

Building Fund: *the Carlyle Chandler Family*

#### **Harvey E. "Sonny" Cauthen, Jr.**

Building Fund: *the Carlyle Chandler Family*

#### **Elliott Ross McMahan**

Building Fund: *the Carlyle Chandler Family*

#### **Patricia Laird Hitchcock**

Respite Ministry: *the Carlyle Chandler Family*

#### **Roger Sherman Duggar**

Respite Ministry: *the Carlyle Chandler Family, Mr. and Mrs. K.C. Belt*; Cathedral Builders: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Helen Rapp Rittenour**

Joseph Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Doug Eddleman*

#### **Hannah "Honor" Lucienne Loeb**

Pastor's Discretionary Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Lewis Jeffery Stabler**

Pastor's Discretionary Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Emily Riddle McLemore**

Building Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Geri Ellzey Craig**

Building Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Susan Crow Bagwell**

Cathedral Builders: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Atwood Bullock Rush & Margaret Meriwether Rush**

Building Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Eileene Dempsey Griffith**

Pastor's Discretionary Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Marilyn Perkins Zeigler**

Pastor's Discretionary Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Sara Darden Praytor**

Pastor's Discretionary Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Daniel Rush Stallings, Sr.**

Pastor's Discretionary Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Allen Edwards*

#### **Samuel Wayne Shannon**

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### AROUND THE CONGREGATION

#### SYMPATHY

To Deborah and Chris Dupree and Lynne and Chris Dunn and their families upon the death of Deborah and Lynne's mother, *Dot Oliver*.

IN MEMORIAM  
**Shirley McDonald**  
*January 3, 2021*

**Clare Holmes Cardinal**  
*January 4, 2021*