



**Peace United Church of Christ
Worship Resources for the Baptism of Jesus
January 12, 2025**

Welcome

Opening Hymn “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

Opening Prayer

***God, we are grateful for the opportunity
to witness Christ's obedience and humility
in his baptism by John.***

***Remind us of our own baptism this day,
as part of the beloved community of those
committed to service in Jesus' name.***

May we bear that name with grace and mercy.

Amen

Scripture Readings Isaiah 43: 1-7

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Meditation

Prayers of the People/The Prayer of Our Savior (debts and debtors)

Closing Song “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Singing bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee.

Benediction & Sending Forth