

Baptism of The Lord
January 12, 2025 9:30am

Before entering worship, kindly ask for prayer cards from Ushers to make your request.

***Please rise in body and spirit as you are able.**

**We're so glad you have chosen to worship God with us today.
Kindly record your presence in the attendance pad in the pews.**

Gathering in the Presence of God

Prelude	<i>Come, Christians, Join to Sing</i>	<i>arr Hustad</i>	Linda Camp
Welcome & Announcements			Pastor Robert Sathuri
Staff Recognition			Ann E. Clark
Bishop Dan Schwerin Video Message			
*Passing the Peace of Christ			
Special Music	<i>Like a River Glorious</i>	<i>arr Larry Shackley</i>	Linda Camp and Kay Daugherty

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)** **Judy Starke**

Leader: Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Leader: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth.

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

P: I believe 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, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again, He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

L: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

P: 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.

(*universal) United Methodist Hymnal Pg. 35

***Opening Prayer (unison)** **Judy Starke**

Father in Heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Grant that all who are baptized into His name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess Him as Lord and Savior, Who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, One God, in glory everlasting.

Amen.

United Methodist Hymnal Pg. 253

***Opening Hymn #334** *Sweet, Sweet Spirit (twice)* **Led by Chancel Choir**

We Offer Our Prayers and Gifts to God

Sharing of Prayer Concerns **Pastor Robert Sathuri**

L: Lord in Your mercy

P: Hear our prayer

Silent Prayers

Prayer of Intercession

Prayers of the People (unison) **Pastor Robert Sathuri**

O God, the Holy Spirit,

come to us, And among us;

come as the wind, and cleanse us;

come as the fire, and burn;

come as the dew, and refresh;

convict, convert, and consecrate many hearts and lives to our great good and to Thy greater glory;

and this we ask for Jesus Christ's sake.

Amen.

United Methodist Hymnal Pg. 335

The 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.

Cares Chorus (sung)

I cast all my cares upon you,

I lay all of my burdens down at your feet,

and any time I don't know what to do,

I cast all my cares upon you.

Offertory Invitation

Ushers pass the offering plates in the pews and place them on the altar.

Thank you to all who give online.

Please remember to sign attendance pads

Anthem

Peace Like A River Spiritual arr Charles Kirby

Chancel Choir
Jenny Gafron, Director

Presentation of Offertory Gifts

Doxology (sung)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye Heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

*Offertory Prayer

Pastor Robert Sathuri

Living Christ, Your earthly ministry was full of challenge as well as joy; yes You were faithful in following God's will. Breathe Your Spirit into our lives, that we may never fall back from the way of discipleship, or the effort of loving. Grant that we may find true joy and peace, as we accept the cost of faithful discipleship, and offer You these our gifts. For it is in Your name we pray.

Amen.

Bread for the Journey Pg. 31 #4 Ruth C. Duck

Hearing The Word of God

*Gospel Reading

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Judy Starke

New Testament Reading

Acts 8:14-17

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God!

P: Thanks be to God!

Message:

Why Baptism?

Pastor Robert Sathuri

Closing Hymn #347

Spirit Song

Led by Chancel Choir

*Benediction

*Postlude

On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry arr Cherwien

Linda Camp



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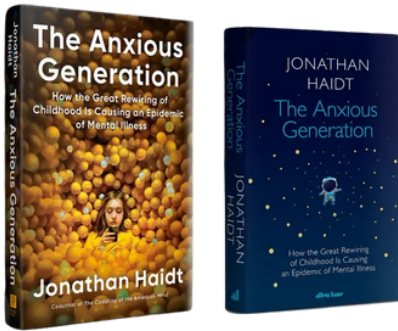
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All Week Long



The Higher Grounds (Current Issues)

Adult Sunday School class will begin reading and discussing a new book for winter, Jonathan Haidt's *The Anxious Generation: How the Great Rewiring of Childhood is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness* (2024), on Sundays @ 11am, in the Adult Conference Room. All are welcome to join!

Linda & Rick Craft, Class Coordinators
 ljcraft@att.net

Adapted Books Workshop

Wednesday
 January 15, 2025
 11am-1pm
 Gathering Place

Help make adapted books for students with disabilities.

No special skills needed!

Bring a Bag Lunch

Beverages and Dessert Provided



Contribution Envelopes

For members who utilize personalized contribution envelopes, please find your 2025 envelopes outside the Sanctuary on the tables in the Narthex. Envelopes will no longer be mailed. Please contact the office, office@fumcpalatine.org if you have any questions.

Upcoming Events 2025

January 19 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Celebration @ 3pm Downers Grove FUMC

February 1 - Lake North Leadership Training, 9am-12:30pm -

Please see the bulletin board for more information.

February 2 - Communion Sunday

February 23 - Choral Worship

March 2 - Communion Sunday

March 5 - Ash Wednesday

April 13 - Palm Sunday

April 14 - 19 - Holy Week

April 20 - Easter Sunday

Missing something? Did you know there's a lost and found box under the welcome desk in the Commons? Take a look — you may find it there.



We are a historic and communal church that is dedicated to life-changing faith, building a Christian community, and serving our neighborhood. Because of this commitment, all are included at our table: all ages, all races, all genders and gender identities, all sexual orientations, all socioeconomic statuses, all nationalities, all ethnicities, all citizenships, and all ability levels. We specifically welcome fully those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning into our church community.



YOUR PRAYERS

To request prayers before or during Worship Service, please ask for cards from the Ushers.



God's Healing Touch

Howard G. | Meredith G.
Hal G. | Bill H. | Gary S.

Prayers for all the elderly who are homebound, in nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

- Prayers for God's healing touch for Dawn A. as she recovers from surgery.
- Prayers for Rachel, daughter of Dave V, who was diagnosed with cancer and will be undergoing treatment for the next 6 months.
- Colleen R. requesting prayers of healing, patience and comfort for Scott R. as he awaits diagnosis and treatment.
- Holly and Tom O'C. request prayers of peace and comfort for their friend Ann.
- Prayers of courage and peace for those affected and displaced by wars around the world.
- Ann C. requesting prayers for healing, strength and courage for her grand niece Sophie, 4 months old, who had open heart surgery on January 10.
- Prayers for the people displaced and those killed by the wildfires in southern California.
- Prayers for peace and acceptance around the United States.
- Pray for those affected by the local terrorist attack in Louisiana on New Years day and other areas in our country.

SEND YOUR PRAYER REQUEST TO
office@fumcpalatine.org

Please let the church know of any updates to prayers so that we can continue to keep them current. Prayers will automatically be removed after 3 weeks if not updated.
Thank you.

Kindly Note: Due to HIPAA and Privacy, last names will not be mentioned during prayer time. Thank you for your cooperation as we are on www i.e, World Wide Web.

If you desire a Pastoral visit at the hospital, family members, please notify the church as chaplains at hospitals no longer inform churches per HIPPA Law.



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Children's Sunday School

January Teachers:
Allen Austin
Bob Hadcock, Dawn Amos

Bible Story Basics Sunday School Lessons		
January 5	Jacob's Dream	Genesis 28:10-22
January 12	Swords into Plows	Isaiah 2:1-5
January 19	Jesus is Baptized	Matthew 3:13-17
January 26	Jesus Calls the Fisherman	Matthew 4:18-22

Lighting candles during the Holidays? Put their remnants to good use!



Drop off previously burned, broken, or even unused candles in the collection canister near the sign-up table in the Commons. They'll be melted down & used in the Candle Booth at Bethlehem Marketplace 2025.
All colors, shapes & sizes welcome!

E-mail: office@fumcpalatine.org
Pastor Robert is also available on Wednesdays & Fridays, 10:30am to Noon for appointments.
Contact him via email rsathuri@fumcpalatine.org
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