

St. James United Church

February 2, 2014
Epiphany 4/Baptism

Minister: Rev. Terrie Burry
Minister of Visitation/MUN Chaplain: Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM
Choir: UCW
Organist: Christine Tiller
UCW Choir Director: Doreen Brown

Please remain seated comfortably until invited to stand.
Please turn off your cell phone during the Service.

Organ Prelude: *Prayer*



Boellmann

Welcome and Life and Work of St. James

Introit: *God, We Praise You for the Morning*

Choir

Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: Beloved, let us love one another,

All: Because love is from God.

One: God's love was revealed among us in this way;

All: Jesus Christ came into the world.

One: Since God loved us so much,

All: We are called to love one another. Come, let us worship.

Opening Prayer: (together)

All who thirst, come to the water and drink deeply of these living streams.

Come, all who are weary; come, all who yearn for forgiveness. As the waters of the Jordan washed over Jesus, so the Holy Spirit washes over you and me. Our gracious God beckons us and blesses us. Let us give praise for new life in Christ. Amen.

Baptismal Hymn: *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise: v.1, 2* 444

Time with the Children

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Presentation

Parents' Baptismal Vows

Congregational Commitment (together, standing as you are able):

We have heard the will of these parents. We receive these children in Christ's name as we ourselves have been received. We all belong to the one household of Christ. We will support these parents and these children through prayer, and provide a community of faith in which they are welcome to belong. May we serve God's world together. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith: A New Creed 918

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Pouring of the Water

Action of Baptism

Alex Christopher William Day, son of Suzanne Rae Pike & Donald Chad Day

Emily Renée Foote-Cull, daughter of Samantha Foote & Eric Cull

Blessing: (together)

May God bless you and keep you. May God's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May God look upon you with kindness and give you peace.

Baptismal Hymn: *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise: v.3, 4* 444

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory: *Lord of my Life* Choir

Offertory Hymn: *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* 541

Offertory Prayer: (together)

Receive our gifts, O God. May they be used to show forth to the world the greatness of Your love. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Christ, Your perfect gift and our Saviour. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrew Scripture: Micah 6: 1-8

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 15 736

Hymn: *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* 684

Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12

Anthem : *I've got the Lord* Choir

Sermon

Hymn: *God of Grace and God of Glory* 686

Prayers of Concern

Closing Hymn: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* 651

Blessing & Sending Forth

Choral Benediction: *May the Blessing of God be upon You*

Organ Postlude: *Choral Song* Wesley



Ushering this week is provided by:

Usher in Charge: Ross Pilgrim

Greeters: Ross & Betty Pilgrim

Ushers: Jack & Florence Head, Ronald & Lorraine Robbins,
Oliver Wellon, Bruce Hunt

