



ST. MARK'S

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 10, 2021
Online Worship

Welcome to St. Mark's online! Using the YouTube playlist,
you can follow along using this order of worship.

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn- Down By the Jordan

First Reading- Acts 9:1-7

Children's Time

*You can find more children's resources at smumc.org including children's bulletins, coloring sheets,
and a page that will help you engage the scripture with your whole family.*

Gospel Reading- Mark 1:4-11

Hymn - Wash O God Our Sons and Daughters

Sermon - Rev. Emily Chapman

Baptismal Renewal

CONFESSION & PARDON-

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.
In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

Sisters and brothers in Christ: Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price. Through the reaffirmation of our faith, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy Church.

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms the present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy Church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world?

I will.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Let us pray. Eternal God:

We remember your wonderful works from your movement over the waters at creation to Jesus growing in the waters of Mary's womb and being baptized by John through water and given power by your Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit,
to bless this gift of water and Joshua who receives it,
to wash away their sin
and clothe him in righteousness
throughout his life,
that, dying and being raised with Christ,
they may share in his final victory.

REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Dip your fingers into the water, draw a cross on your forehead, and say: I am baptized and God loves me! Or for those who are not yet baptized: God is love and God loves me!

THANKSGIVING

Let us rejoice in the faithfulness of our covenant God.

We give thanks for all that God has already given us. As members of the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we will faithfully participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Offertory - Psalm of Stillness

Pastoral Prayer

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. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Blessing

Closing Hymn- The Spirit Song