Baptism of the Lord January 10, 2021 John Willingham preaching, Pauline Sexton assisting

Prelude "Shall We Gather at the River" arr. Thomas W. Jefferson

Words of Welcome

Hymn 32 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" (Verses 1 and 3)

ELLECOMBE

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you come to us in astonishing ways—

humble, yet with authority; helpless, yet with the power to save.

You have shown us how to live lives grounded in gratitude;

and consecrated in service.

Forgive us, Lord, for we have not followed your lead

We confess to you our cowardice, our selfishness,

our failure to love as you have loved, and our poor witness to the world.

Cleanse us again, we pray.

Cleanse us and renew us,

that our lives may show forth the love and grace we have received from you.

(Moment of Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends believe the Good News of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

First Scripture Lesson: John 13:1-11

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Time with the Children

Second Scripture Lesson: John 13:12-17

Sermon

"Transferred to Us"

"For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you." —John 13:15

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; 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

"A Christmas Canon" String Ensemble

arr. Michael Green

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 203 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" (Verses 1, 2 and 3)

CHEREPONI

Benediction

Postlude "How Beautifully the Morning Light Shines, Bux 223" D. Buxtehude

Christian Sympathy. The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Amy Parenti on the death of mother, Joan Stearns, on December 29; and to Amy Edenson on the death of her mother Eleanor Allshouse, on December 31. We hold these families in prayer during their time of loss.

New Life! The rose on the Communion Table celebrates the birth of Jack Anthony Chovan, born on December 25, to Alexandra and Adam Chovan. The proud DPC grandparents are Linda and Jim Rutkosky.

The **flowers** today are in loving memory of Eleanor Mill by Carl, Dianne, Adrienne and Ryan Mill; in memory of our parents by Tom and Ginny Swartley; and in memory of husband/father Richard D. Fister and in memory of grandson/nephew Richard G. Fister from Betty and Diane Fister.

Special thanks to Doug Barnett for serving as Lay Leader today and to the DPC String Ensemble for sharing their musical gifts with us.

Liturgy notes. Today's prayer of confession is taken from *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching and the Arts,* volume 41.1, p. 165.

DPC's COVID-19 Response Team. Although the initial phase of vaccines is being distributed, we know that many will continue to be affected by this pandemic. And we know many are still in need of various forms of help. DPC's COVID-19 Response Team and its volunteers remain at the ready to provide care and assistance. To request assistance or to join our volunteer team, visit www.dtownpc.org/dpc-covid-19-response-team.

DPC Food Collection. COVID has risen dramatically and increased the need for food assistance for so many. Since DPC will not be able to hold the normal packing for Caring for Friends (CFF) on Martin Luther King Day, this month's food collection will go to CFF. Canned goods and non-perishable food items can be dropped off under the bridge on Mechanics Street from 10:30 to 11:30 am on Sunday, January 17. In addition to food, \$5 gift cards to Wawa, Walmart, McDonalds, and Wendy's would be greatly appreciated to benefit our homeless friends and can be dropped off at the same time.

Troop 24 Clothing and Shoe Drive Fundraiser. A no-contact drop-off of shoes, clothing and small household items will take place at Doylestown Mennonite Church from 12 to 2 pm on Sunday, January 17.