Relying on the power of the Holy Spirit, do you promise to lead your child by prayer, instruction, and example toward that time when he can by grace confirm his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and commit himself to the life and work of the church?

We do.

(The minister addresses the congregation.)

Do you receive and affirm this child of God as members of this congregation, and accept your obligation to love and nurture him in Christ?

We do.

(Sitting)

(Water may be poured into the font or bowl.)

We thank you, gracious God, for the gift of water, which you have created and given to us as a sign of life. We recall with gratitude how you led your people from slavery to freedom through the waters of the sea. We rejoice in the gift of the Holy Spirit at the baptism of your Son in the waters of the Jordan, and we praise you for opening to us the way of eternal life through his death and resurrection. Now send your Spirit upon Douglas Andrew Slate who receives the water of baptism today, so that he may become a living, growing and active member of your church, rise to new life, be led and nourished by your word and sacraments, and share in your eternal blessings.

Amen.

Give to these parents and sponsors your wisdom and strength, that with love and understanding they may guide to Christian maturity the young life entrusted to their care.

Amen.

(The minister baptizes the candidate with a threefold application of water, saying:)

Douglas Andrew Slate, into the death of Jesus I baptize you, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

(The newly baptized person receives the laying on of hands, symbolizing the pouring out of the Holy Spirit. Parents and sponsors join with the minister in the laying on of hands.)

Now through God's grace and the pouring out of the Holy Spirit, you have been brought into the covenant; therefore live, yet not you alone, but Christ live in you; and the life which you live now, live by faith in the Son of God, who loved you and gave his life for you.

The Lord bless you, and keep you;

The Lord make his face shine upon you, and be gracious unto you;

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace;

(Choir) In the name of Jesus, Amen.

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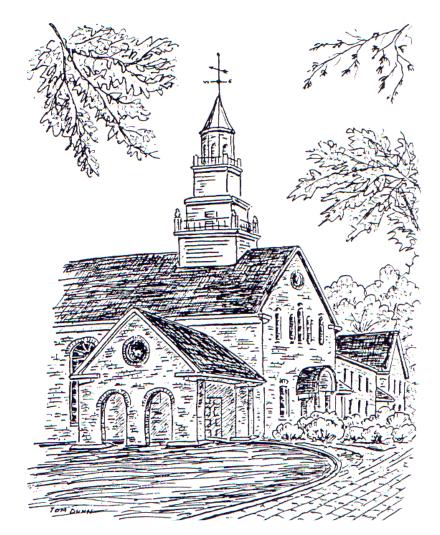
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Our purpose is to make the Lord Jesus Christ a reality in the lives of people.



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Order of Service

Prelude Quem Pastores arr. by P. Manz

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Advent CandleWilliam Webb

Hymn "O Come, O Come, Immanuel"

Liturgy Liturgy for Baptism

(Presenter: Phyllis Hines; Sponsors: Madison Blink, Bethany Jarvis and Landon Slate)

Handbells Anthem Christmastide Arnold B. Sherman

Scripture Reading 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

Romans 16:25-27

Children's Message

Scripture Reading Luke 1:26-38

Sermon

Hymn "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Benediction

Postlude O Savior Sweet J. S. Bach

Watchword for the week: The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. Luke 1:49

Mission Prayer Focus: Pray for the Sineaths in Campus Outreach.

Please place your offering in the box by the entrance before or after the service.

The Advent Wreath on the altar today is presented to the Glory of God and in celebration of the Fourth Sunday of Advent, by the Women's Fellowship as we light the candle of Love.

Hope, Peace, Joy, Love

At the request of the Elders, in order to preserve a reverent spirit of worship, please silence your cell phone, refrain from taking pictures, and do not bring food or drink into the sanctuary.

Liturgy for Baptism

(Standing)

In grace God called and chose the people of Israel and established with them a covenant: I will be your God and you will be my people. In that relationship they were to be freed from sin and become a blessing to all. Then God came to us in Jesus Christ and fulfilled that covenant for all people. Through Christ's life, death, and resurrection, God made for us a new covenant of grace.

We come before you with joy, O God, to claim the promises of your covenant.

Our Lord Jesus Christ instituted baptism as the visible means of entry into the new covenant. Baptism is a gift of God. In this sacrament, through grace and the power of the Holy Spirit, we are united with Christ, are cleansed by his saving work, enter into the fellowship of the church, and are called to a life of faith and willing obedience.

Those of you baptized into Christ Jesus, how were you baptized?

Into his death. We were buried with him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glorious power of God Almighty, we too might be raised to live a new life.

In baptism children also share in the benefits of our Lord's redeeming work through God's grace and the faith of parents, and of the church,

For God's promise is to us and to our children.

(The minister addresses the parents and sponsors.)

As you present yourselves before God and this congregation, we call upon you to profess your faith.

Do you believe in God as your Creator and loving heavenly Father, in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, and in the Holy Spirit as your Comforter and Sustainer, according to the Holy Scriptures?

We do.

Lord, make us one with all your children as we profess our faith, saying:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He 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 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

(The minister addresses the parents and sponsors.)

Do you in this faith turn away from sin, evil, and selfishness in your thoughts, words, and actions; and do you intend to participate actively in Christ's church, serving God all the days of your life?

We do.