

**First United Methodist Church of Toms River
Sanctuary Worship ~ January 12, 2025 ~ 10:30am**

Baptism of the Lord

PRELUDE *Softly and Tenderly* Joel Raney

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP 1 Peter 2:9
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord
Ministers: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN No. 139 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

OPENING PRAYER

God of strength, God of love, surround us with your love. Gather us in as your beloved children. Open our ears to hear your voice. Open our hearts to the power of your transforming love. May your waters of grace pour over us, renewing us for your work in the world. Bless us in this holy time. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*RESPONSIVE READING

Pastor: Come to the waters.
Ministers: The waters of grace flow over us.
Pastor: Come to the waters.
Ministers: We are washed in God's love.
Pastor: Come to the waters.
Ministers: We are God's beloved children.

*PRAISE RESPONSE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen

*THE APOSTLES' CREED – No. 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And 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, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. 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.

*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER No. 895

PRAYER RESPONSE No. 500 *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*

*Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;
stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art, and make me love thee as I ought to love. (2x)*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Be Still

Ashley Grote

PRESENTATION OF OUR TRUST, TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY No. 95

*HYMN No. 252

When Jesus Came to Jordan

MESSAGE

Pastor Hyoik Kim

Baptism of Grace and Humility

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

*HYMN No. 127

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Dix

Craig Philips

*Indicates that those who are able, please stand





FUMC of Toms River Holy Land Trip 2025 (with “Educational Opportunities Tours”)

11-day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Pastor Hyoik!

Available Dates

September 2 (Tue.)
September 16 (Tue.)
September 29 (Tue.)

Cost \$3898 (incl. airfare)

Guided tours, Live Audio Headsets, Administrative Fees
Breakfast and Dinner Daily, First Class Hotels, Hotel Gratuities,
Deluxe Motor Coaches

Itinerary

Qast el Yahud, Jericho, Qumran, the Dead Sea, Herodion, Bethlehem,
the Church of the Nativity, Shepherds’ Field, Roman aqueduct,
Caesarea, Mount Carmel, Tel Megiddo, Capernaum, the Mount of
Beatitudes, the Sea of Galilee, the Church of the Loaves and Fish in Tabgha, the Chapel of the
Primacy, Magdala, Tel Dan, Caesarea
Philippi, Golan Heights, Cana, Nazareth, Samaria, Jacob’s Well, Mount of Olives, the Garden of
Gethsemane, Mount Zion, the Upper Room, St. Peter in Gallicantu, home of the High Priest
Caiaphas, and much more!

If you are interested, contact the church office.