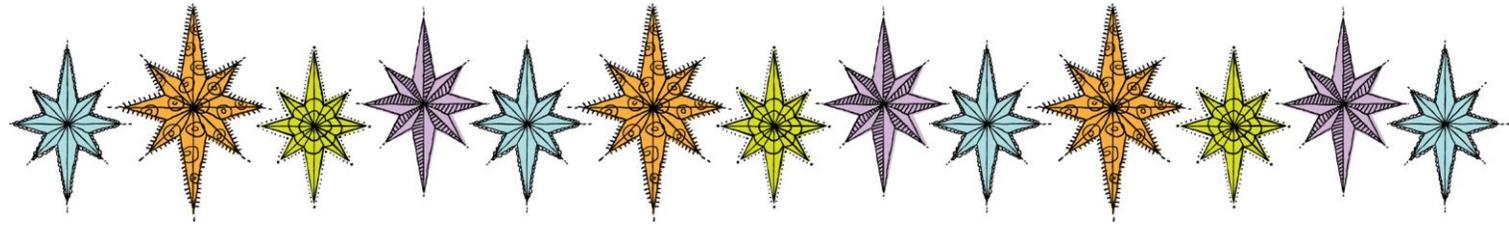


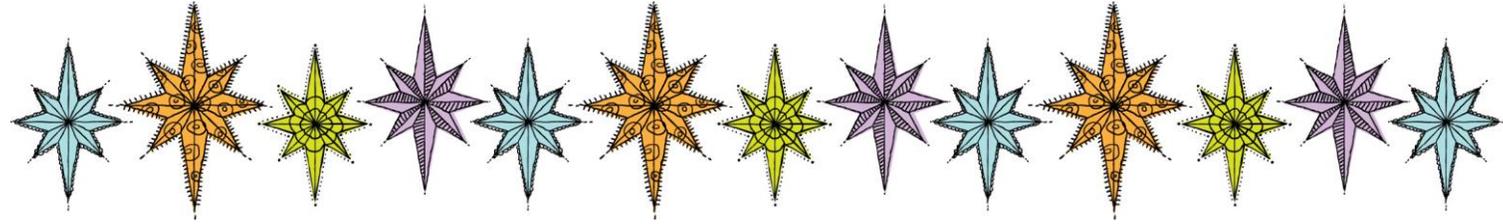
Centenary United Methodist Church

January 10, 2021

Baptism of the Lord



OPENING PRAYER



Opening Voluntary

Becky Barclay



Today's flowers
are given to the
glory of God by
June Leckrone.

Bidding Lesson

Genesis 1:1-5

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1 In the beginning when God
created the heavens and the earth,

2 the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

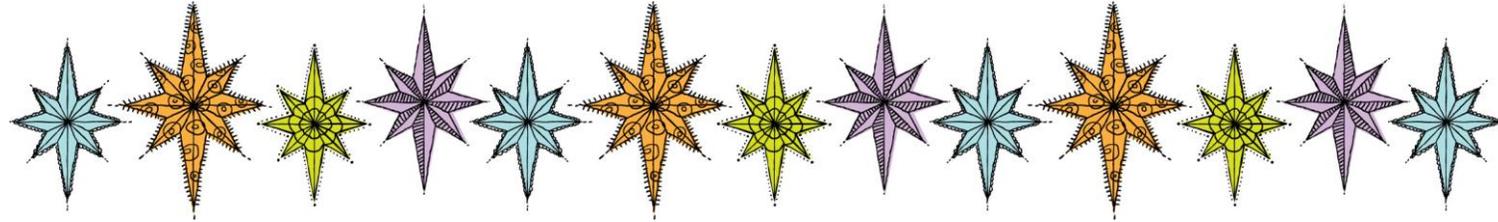
3 Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light.

4 And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness.

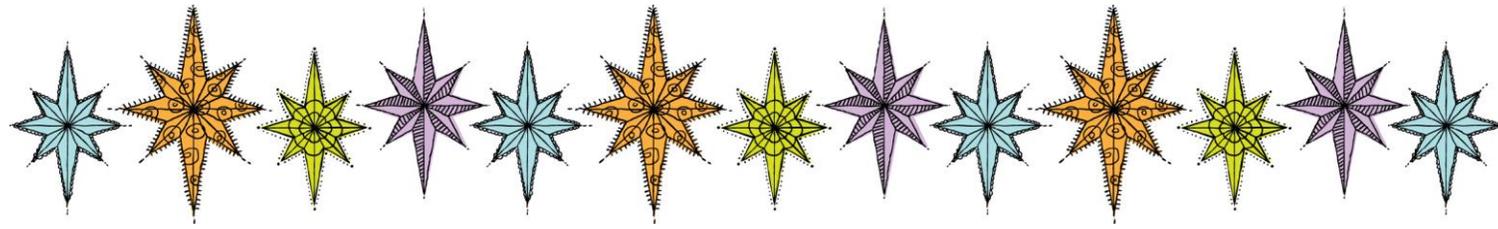
5 God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

**READER: The word of God for the
people of God.**

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!



Service of Word and Prayer
January 10, 2021
9:30 a.m.



Call to Worship

From Psalm 29 JWC

Leader:

*Did you know the Lord has a good
line of credit? His word is His bond.*

People:

When God spoke, His word hovered over the water. God's voice is powerful; it reveals His majesty.

Leader:

*The word of the Lord is more
powerful than all the armies of this
world;*

Leader (cont'd):

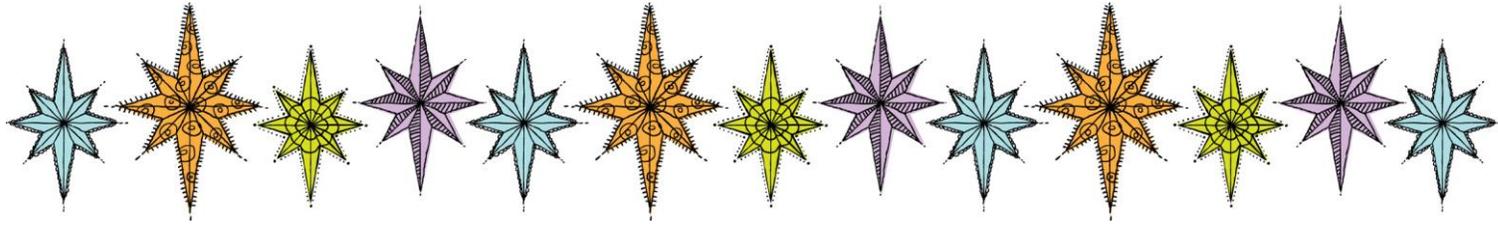
*His voice can snap in half the great
redwood of California.*

People:

Since the Lord can make a large city into a barren plain, we enter his house with reverence and shouts of joy.

All:

**O Lord, give us strength of
conviction and bless us with your
peace.**



Gospel Lesson

Mark 1:4-11

4 John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

5 And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to John,

and were baptized by him in the river
Jordan, confessing their sins.

6 Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.

7 John proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals.

8 I have baptized you with water;
but he will baptize you with the Holy
Spirit.”

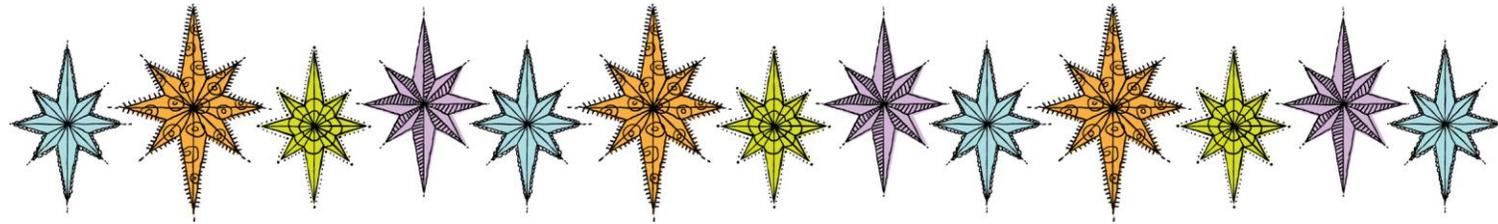
9 In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.

10 And just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.

11 And a voice came from heaven,
“You are my Son, the Beloved; with
you I am well pleased.”

**READER: The Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ.**

**PEOPLE: Thanks be to thee, O
Christ!**

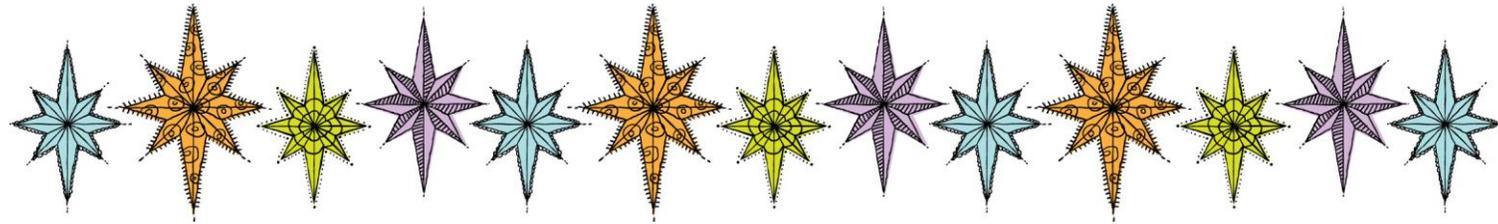


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Playing the Violin

“What a Beautiful Name”

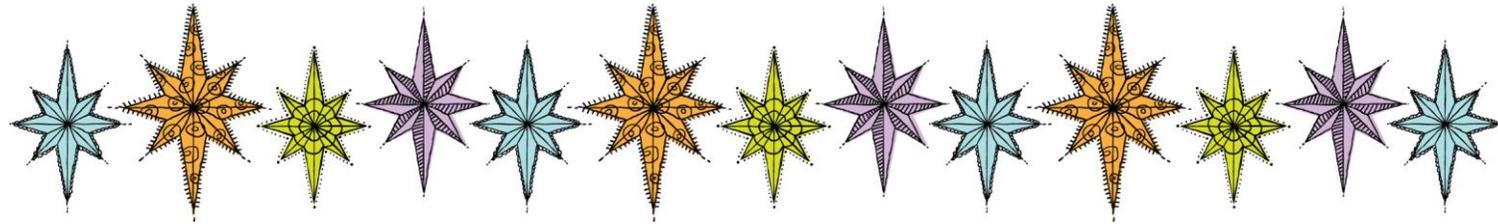
by Ben Fielding & Brooke Ligertwood



Sermon

Rev. John W. Cole II

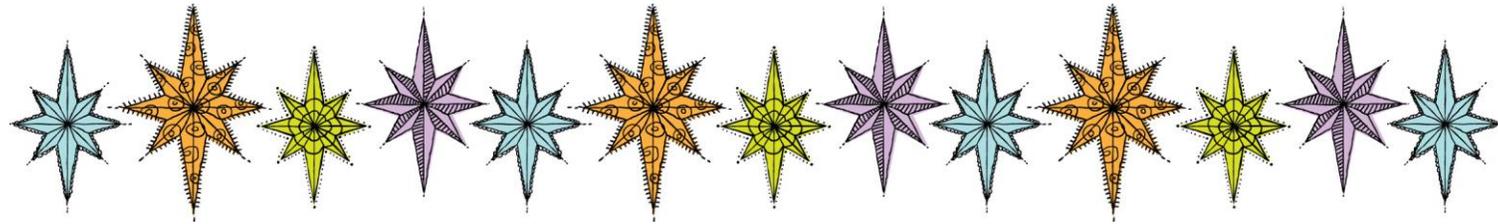
“Fulfilled Righteousness”



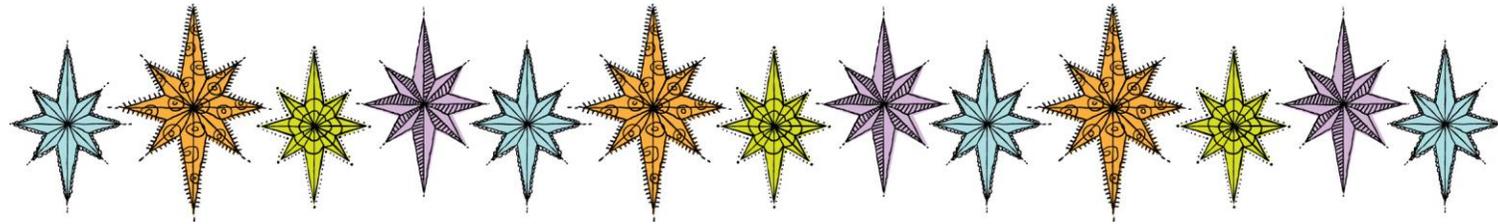
Prayer of the People

The Lord's Prayer





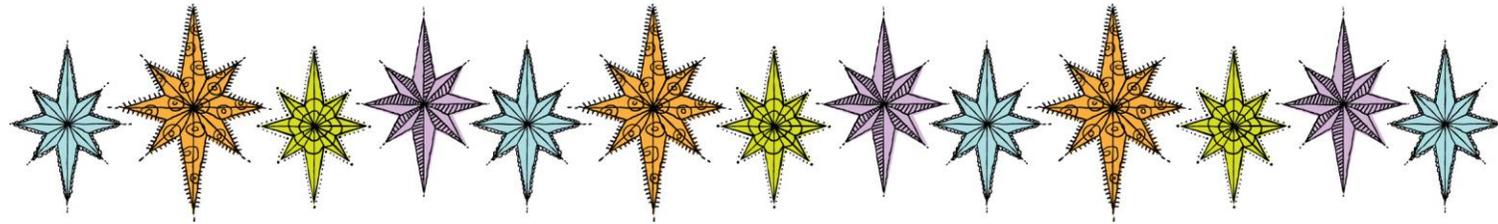
The Offering



Doxology

*Prayers of
Thanksgiving*





Statement of Faith
of the
United Church of Canada
January 10, 2021

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

**who has come in Jesus, the Word made
flesh, to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the
Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,**

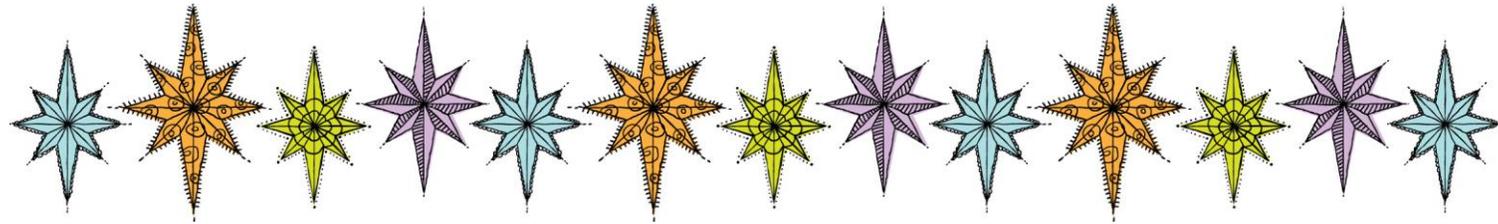
**to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

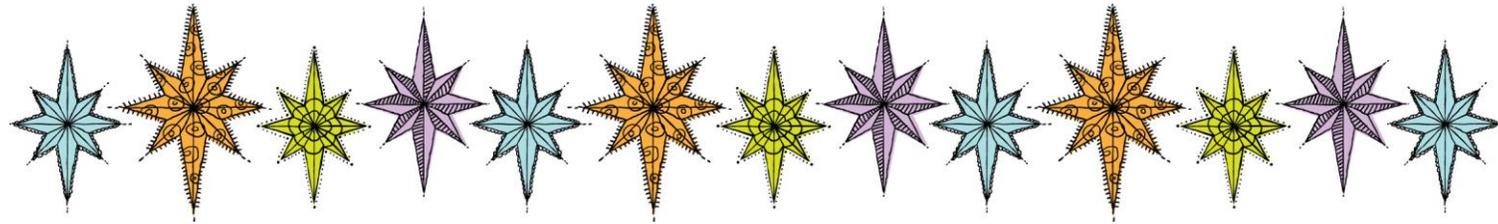
God is with us.

We are not alone.

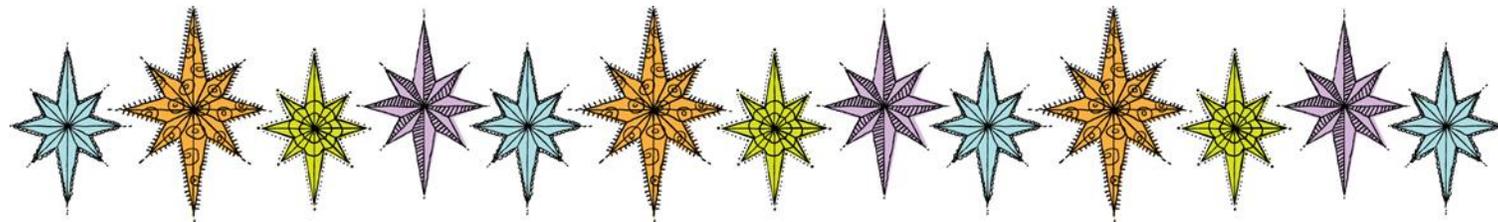
Thanks be to God. Amen.



Gloria Patri



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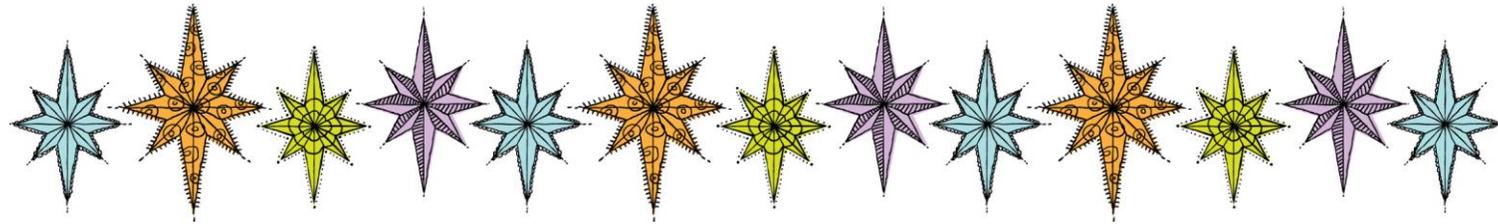


Postlude

George Stone



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