MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Interim minister: Rev. Lyn Lamers Baptism of our Lord First Sunday after Epiphany January 8, 2023

Duty Elder: Bill Lundie Musician: Sheryl Cale, Rosemary Brown Scripture Reader: James Varty

*When this symbol appears please stand if you are able **Musical Prelude** – Time for Quiet Meditation **Welcome and Announcements**

CALL TO WORSHIP:

We are called to serve in the name of Jesus, God's beloved Son,

God calls us by name because we are beloved.

God calls us to be a light to the nations.

We wait for God's teaching and to learn justice.

We are witnesses to God's goodness and grace who claims and loves us.

God's name be praised!

*Hymn: <u>To God be the glory</u> #350 PRAYER OF ADORATION And we now pray our prayer of confession: PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Merciful God, in baptism you promise us forgiveness and new life. We confess that we often prefer our old ways. We resist the new opportunities you set before us. We cling to harmful habits and nurse grudges, failing to forgive one another. Have mercy upon us, O God, and guide us to live with more grace and generosity through Christ our Lord. AMEN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART:

*Hymn: <u>In the stars His handiwork I see</u> #39 Praise Ways PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 29 Page 504 SCRIPTURE: John 1:29-34 Page 92 Matthew 13: 1-23 Page 13

MEDITATION: Seeding Time SILENCE FOR REFLECTION HYMN: <u>Amazing Grace</u> #670 vs 1, 2, 6 WE GIVE TO GOD'S WORK PRAISE RESPONSE: Praise God from whom all blessings flow #830 PRAYER OF DEDICAION Anthem: The Table Sacrament of HOLY COMMUNION Communion Hymn: I come with joy #530 vs 1,3,5

*CLOSING HYMN: In the bulb there is a flower #674

*Commissioning and BENEDICTION SUNG BENEDICTION: Go now in peace (Besig)

Building Forward Workshop: What Next? Saturday, January 29 2PM

Please remember your donations for the food bank.

Happy birthday to Jordan Auld on January 11

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