Gathering & Welcoming God's Presence Prelude Jean Okuye Ida Escola **GREETINGS**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Adult Bible Studies -- Sundays @9:30am

Opening Prayer: God of strength, God of love, surround us with vour 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. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We hear God's voice. It thunders through creation. People: God's voice is strong. It shatters the cedars of Lebanon. Leader: God is still speaking. Calling out our names. All: Listen to God. God calls us beloved.

Hvmn: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling v 1-4 UMH#384

TIME TO SHARE OUR JOY AND CONCERN

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Kalo

The Lord's Prayer (in unison) 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING	
DOXOLOGY	UMH#95
OFFERTORY PRAYER	
*HYMN; Amazing Grace v1-4, 6	UMH#378

LUMC's Vision Statement:

"Show God's love by accepting, supporting, and

serving all people." Matthew 25:35,36,40

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Message: "Remember Your Baptism"

Luke 3:15-17. 21-22

*HYMN: Shall We Gather at the River v 1-4 UMH#723 ***BENEDICTION:** *POSTLUDE

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

¹⁵ The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. ¹⁶ John answered them all, "I baptize you with^[a] water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with^[b] the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

The Baptism and Genealogy of Jesus

²¹When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

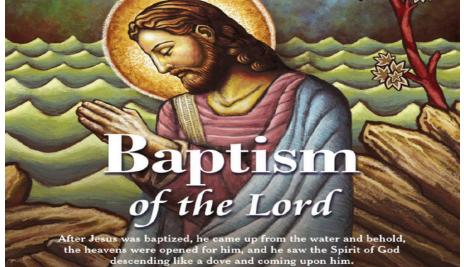
Reader: This is the Word of God Congregation: Thanks be to God

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