



# Baptism of Jesus

**WORSHIP OF GOD | FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY | JANUARY 7, 2024**

**First Rochester | An American Baptist Church**

**175 Allens Creek Road, Rochester, New York 14618**

**Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Richard Wien, communion assistant  
Henry Griffin, music director | Samuel Baker, organist**



## Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

*Baptism*

Rev. Joanne  
Gilbert-Cannon

## Giving our Gifts to God

In response for the gift of God's abundance, we return to God gifts of what we have and gifts of who we are. To contribute financially to the work of FBCR you may leave an offering in the plate as it is passed, send an offering by mail, or give at [rochesterfbc.org/give](http://rochesterfbc.org/give).

**Music in  
Response**

*Of the Father's love begotten*  
Samuel Baker, organ

arr. Kevin J. Sadowski

## The Lord's Supper

Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon  
Richard Wien, communion assistant

## Invitation and Institution

### Communion Prayer

### The Great Feast

### Unison and Communal Benediction

**Dear God, may we be renewed in our love of You. Thank You for the nourishment of our spirits around Your table and the remembrances of the promises made and received in our baptisms. May we continue to walk in the newness of that life to love and serve others in Your name, through Your Grace, Amen.**

## Update from the Moderators & Annual Meeting Announcement

**Parting Music 740**

*The Lord's Prayer*  
Samuel Baker, organ

arr. Donald P. Hustad

*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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

# INVITATION TO MISSION & MINISTRY

**Thank you to those who contributed their gifts to today's service** including: Richard Wien, communion assistant; Mia Wilson, reader; Bob McDonald and Richard Wien, ushers; our tech team: Oliver Hood, Wesley Selleck, Scott and Susen McClellan, Janet Richardson, and Glenn Stahl; and our musicians: Samuel Baker, organ; and Henry Griffin, voice and piano.

**We're delighted you've joined us in worship today.** If you are new to First Rochester's worship, would you consider letting us know? We would love to get to know you better. We hope you will trust us with your contact information so we may connect with you. Please either sign the book in the narthex, complete the card found in the small pocket in the pews and place it in the offering plate, or go to [rochesterfbc.org/guestbook/](http://rochesterfbc.org/guestbook/) to leave us your name and contact information.

**Removing the Greens** will be following worship today. We hope you will help us help us remove the Christmas decorations, get them packed, and put away.

**Annual Meeting, January 21.** The First Baptist Church and Society of Rochester, New York will hold its Annual Congregational Meeting on January 21 immediately following worship. More details are posted and will be announced.

**Wednesday Study Hiatus.** New study information will coming soon. Zoom check-in is still available at 5:30 PM each Wednesday.

**OWLS (Older Wiser Learned Seniors):** On Thursday, January 11, OWLS will gather for the topic of "somewhere warm," *Sri Lanka—Armchair Travel Video*. Exercise begins at 11:30 AM with lunch and program at 12:15 PM. A \$10 donation is appreciated. Please RSVP to Kandee Tabor at her email [kandeetabor@gmail.com](mailto:kandeetabor@gmail.com) or call or text her at (585) 520-6948.

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*At First Baptist Church we welcome and affirm all people regardless of race, class, gender, physical challenge, place of origin, or sexual orientation in worship, in community, in membership, and in all aspects of congregational life. If you wish to be a part of the FBCR community, we have good news – we already consider you a part. Please sign our guest book or trade contact information with any member so we might get to know you better and help you connect more fully. If you wish to consider*

*entering into a covenant relationship (membership) with FBCR, ask any member to tell you about their experience. Welcome.*