



Faith Community United Methodist Church

5315 Harford Road
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Pastor Ronald S. Dodson Sr.

Sunday January 11, 2026 3rd Sunday After Christmas
Baptism of the Lord 10:00 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

PRELUDE

Keith Harmon

GREETING & VISITOR WELCOME

John Grace

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Let us gather together all who celebrate the gift of God's Love.

For the Lord walked among us and found favor in the eyes of God.

And in Christ we are also each one granted favor before God Almighty.

Then let us proclaim God's love to all the nations of the world!

And let our hearts sing out with praise for God's mercy and love!

Blessed be the name of the Lord!

*OPENING HYMN: FWS #2236 "Gather Us In"

PRAYER FOR FAITH:

O God, in Christ You walked among us showing us true perfection and paying the price for our redemption on the Cross. Lord, give us the strength to carry Christ to the world. In Christ we pray. Amen.

[Silent prayers of confession and forgiveness of others]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God! AMEN.

WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: UMH p. 6

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 42:1-9

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 10:34-43

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 3:13-17

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF PREPARATION "Breathe" [Worship & Song #3112]

This is the air I breathe; this is the air I breathe, your holy presence living in me.

This is my daily bread; this is my daily bread, your very Word spoken to me.

And I, I'm desperate for You.

And I, I'm lost without You

HOMILY: Pastor Ron Dodson

WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

PRAISE REPORTS

PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

WE OFFER THANKSGIVING

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY: Lord, we bring these gifts as our expression of thanks and praise to you. Use them and us, we pray, to proclaim your love and mercy, feed the hungry, heal the sick, and bring new courage and hope to the despondent. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY: UMH #95 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

WE DEPART TO SERVE

REMINDERS

BLESSING WITH A MISSION

CLOSING HYMN: "Go"

Go ye therefore and teach all nations. Go, go, go. Go ye therefore and teach all nations. Go, go, go. Baptizing them in the name of the Father, and Son, and Holy Ghost. Go, go, go.

If you love me, really love me, feed my sheep. If you love me, really love me, feed my sheep. And lo I'll be with you forever and ever until the end of the earth. Go, go, go.

Thought for your journey: *Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us.* Ephesians 3:20

Through my small acts, God will do more than I can imagine.

We are ever growing in Christ, inviting each one to make a difference.

Scripture Lessons for January 18, 2026, Human Relations Day:

- Isaiah 49:1-7
- Psalm 40:1-11
- 1 Corinthians 1:1-9
- John 1:29-42



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