

Cranford United Methodist Church

Baptism of the Lord

January 11, 2026 11:00am

WELCOME AND PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come! Let us follow Jesus to the edge of the Jordan River to be baptized.

People: We come to be cleansed and made whole.

Leader: Come! Let us witness John's confusion and Jesus' insistence that John baptize God Incarnate.

People: We come to join Jesus in choosing life in the kingdom of God.

Leader: Come! Let us hear God declare the truth of Jesus' identity and the truth of our identity as baptized people.

People: We come to remember and embody who we are as beloved children of God.

Leader: Come, Let us worship God who leads us into the baptismal waters and salvation life.

All: We come to worship God who empowers us through divine presence to live together as the family of God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE TFWS #2039
Holy, Holy

*OPENING PRAYER

Eternal God, at the baptism of Jesus, you revealed him to be your Son, and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful to their calling as your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed* UMH #881

*GLORIA PATRI

CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

SILENT PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

ANTHEM *Down to the River to Pray* Choir

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 3:13-17
Liturgist: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERMON Rev. Heewon Cho
Entering the Water with Jesus

**HYMN OF DEDICATION TFWS #2071
Jesus, Name above All Names

**EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**Congregation please stand as you are able.*

**** If you or your child must get up during the service, please do so only during the hymns. Please do not get up during the affirmation of faith, prayer, scripture reading or the sermon out of respect for God's worship service.**

WELCOME VISITORS! *We are delighted to have you here, whether you are visiting from out of town, are new to our area, or seeking a place for spiritual refreshment and enlightenment. We hope you enjoy your time with us and that you will come again often. Please fill out a visitor card located in the pew, as well as the black attendance book that will be coming around.*

- Bell Choir is Thursday at 6pm!
- Choir is Thursday at 7pm!
- Bible Study meets on Thursdays at 11am! We are studying the Gospel of Mark. For the first time we are adding a video component so that those who are unable to get here in person can still participate! We will send out a link via email each Thursday morning.
- Administrative Council will meet on Tuesday, January 13th at 7pm.
- Northern Virginia District Training Day is January 17th.
- The office will be closed on Monday, January 19th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Day.

Please Pray For

- *Jeanne Clapp (Glaucoma)*
- *Papi is doing well, He has a Spanish speaking helper come each day to help him while Celi is at work. Things are much better! Please continue to keep Celi and Papi in your prayers.*



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Our Homebound & Faraway Friends

Please reach out, call, send a card or even visit!

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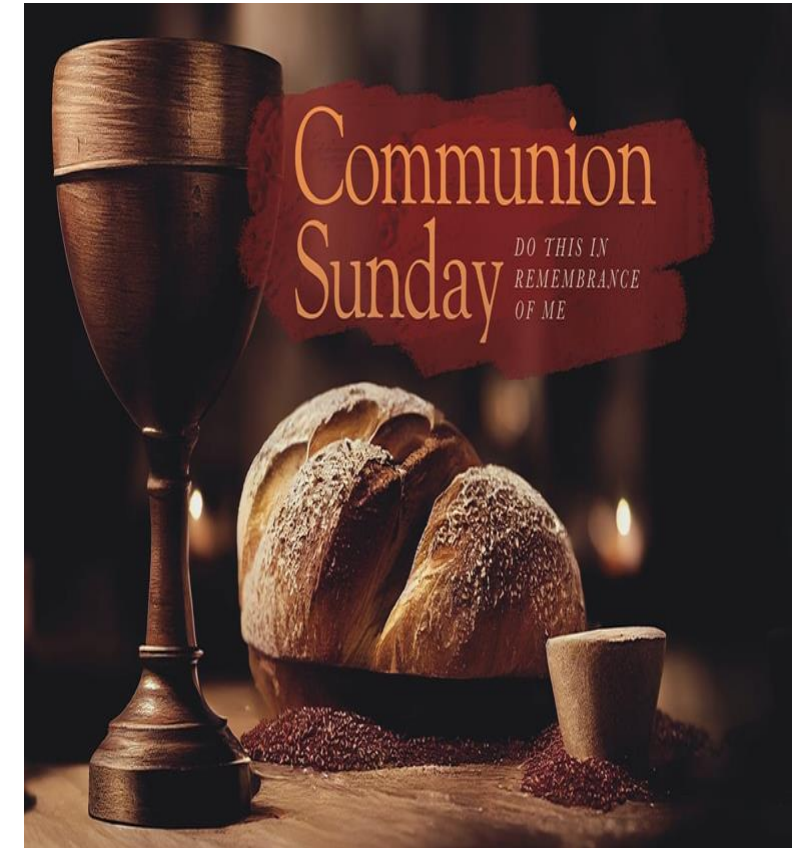
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Pious Honny-Pianist/Organist



Cranford United Methodist Church

January 4, 2026

Sunday Mornings at Cranford

Sunday School 10:00am

Celebration of Worship 11:00am

Invite someone to share in the fellowship of Christ.

Pastor: Reverend Heewon