

FIRST SUNDAY after EPIPHANY

The Baptism of Our Lord

January 10, 2021



Divine Service ~ Setting One

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation ~ 398 *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

- 1 Hail to the Lord's anointed, / Great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed, / His reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, / To set the captive free,
To take away transgression / And rule in equity.
- 2 He comes with rescue speedy / To those who suffer wrong,
To help the poor and needy / And bid the weak be strong;
To give them songs for sighing, / Their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying, / Were precious in His sight.
- 3 He shall come down like showers / Upon the fruitful earth;
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, / Spring in His path to birth.
Before Him on the mountains / Shall peace, the herald, go;
And righteousness in fountains / From hill to valley flow.
- 4 Kings shall fall down before Him / And gold and incense bring;
All nations shall adore Him, / His praise all people sing.
To Him shall prayer unceasing / And daily vows ascend;
His kingdom still increasing, / A kingdom without end.
- 5 O'er ev'ry foe victorious, / He on His throne shall rest,
From age to age more glorious, / All blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never / His covenant remove;
His name shall stand forever—That name to us is Love.

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- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**
- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
 my chosen, in whom my soul delights.
 I will tell of the decree:
 The LORD said to me, “You are my Son; today I have begotten you.
 Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
 and the ends of the earth your possession.
 You shall break them with a rod of iron
 and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”
 Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
 be warned, O rulers of the earth.
 Serve the LORD with fear,
 and rejoice with trembling,
 for his wrath is quickly kindled.
 Blessed are all who take refuge in him.
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
 Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
 my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

Kyrie

LSB 152

- A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154

- A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.
- C **Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**
We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C **And also with you.**
- P Let us pray.
Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading - *Genesis 1:1-5*

After the reading:

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 29; antiphon: v. 3

- ¹Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.
- ³The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD, over many waters.
- ⁴The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
- ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- ⁶He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- ⁷The voice of the LORD
flashes forth flames of fire.
- ⁸The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- ⁹The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth
and strips the forests bare,
and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
- ¹¹May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Epistle - *Romans 6:1-11*

After the reading:

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

- C Alleluia.
Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel ~ Mark 1:4-11

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

After the reading:

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Childrens' Message

Hymn of the Day ~ 407 To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord

- 1 To Jordan came the Christ, our Lord, / To do His Father's pleasure;
Baptized by John, the Father's Word / Was given us to treasure.
This heav'nly washing now shall be / A cleansing from transgression
And by His blood and agony / Release from death's oppression.
A new life now awaits us.
- 2 O hear and mark the message well, / For God Himself has spoken.
Let faith, not doubt, among us dwell / And so receive this token.
Our Lord here with His Word endows / Pure water, freely flowing.
God's Holy Spirit here avows / Our kinship while bestowing
The Baptism of His blessing.
- 3 These truths on Jordan's banks were shown / By mighty word and wonder.
The Father's voice from heav'n came down, / Which we do well to ponder:
"This man is My belovèd Son, / In whom My heart has pleasure.
Him you must hear, and Him alone, / And trust in fullest measure
The word that He has spoken."
- 4 There stood the Son of God in love, / His grace to us extending;
The Holy Spirit like a dove / Upon the scene descending;
The triune God assuring us, / With promises compelling,
That in our Baptism He will thus / Among us find a dwelling
To comfort and sustain us.

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Sermon ~ "New Life in the New Year" Mark 1:4-11

Nicene Creed

- C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

After each petition:

- P Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

Offering (*Online giving is available on the website.*)

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 160

- P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

- P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 161

- C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

- P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C **Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

C **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.**

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Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

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C **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

Distribution (*in the Sanctuary*)

Thank the Lord

LSB 164

C **Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benediction

LSB 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Hymn - 596 *All Christians Who Have Been Baptized*

1 All Christians who have been baptized, / Who know the God of heaven,
And in whose daily life is prized / The name of Christ once given:
Consider now what God has done, / The gifts He gives to ev'ryone
Baptized into Christ Jesus!

- 2 You were before your day of birth, / Indeed, from your conception,
Condemned and lost with all the earth, / None good, without exception.
For like your parents' flesh and blood, / Turned inward from the highest good,
You constantly denied Him.
- 3 But all of that was washed away—Immersed and drowned forever.
The water of your Baptism day / Restored again whatever
Old Adam and his sin destroyed / And all our sinful selves employed
According to our nature.
- 4 In Baptism we now put on Christ—Our shame is fully covered
With all that He once sacrificed / And freely for us suffered.
For here the flood of His own blood / Now makes us holy, right, and good
Before our heav'nly Father.
- 5 O Christian, firmly hold this gift / And give God thanks forever!
It gives the power to uplift / In all that you endeavor.
When nothing else revives your soul, / Your Baptism stands and makes you whole
And then in death completes you.
- 6 So use it well! You are made new—In Christ a new creation!
As faithful Christians, live and do / Within your own vocation,
Until that day when you possess / His glorious robe of righteousness
Bestowed on you forever!

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