



Baptism of Our Lord
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GOD GATHERS US AS HIS HOLY PEOPLE

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (LBW p. 56) *Matthew 28:19; 1 John 1:8-10*

Please stand as you are able.

In remembrance of Baptism, you may sign a cross on your chest or forehead.

We gather to worship the One true God – the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

We keep silence for self-reflection and contrition.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN: "Baptized in the Water" WOV #693

The musical score consists of three systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system has lyrics for three parts: 1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the; 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the; 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the. The second system continues the lyrics: blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust-ing his; tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -; sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's. The third system concludes with: prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.; giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.; chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

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AFFIRMATION OF PURPOSE *Matthew 28:18-20, 22:36-39; Mark 12:30-31*

We are Joy Mission Church, missionary-disciples of Jesus Christ.
 We love God, love neighbor, and serve with joy in Jesus' name.

APOSTOLIC GREETING (LBW p. 57) *2 Corinthians 13:14*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit
 be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE ("Lord, have mercy..." LBW pp. 57-58) *Matthew 9:27, 15:22; Psalm 51:1*

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.

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 mer - cy.

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord. **C** A - men



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

SALUTATION (LBW p. 62) *Ruth 2:4*



A The Lord be with you.

B And al - so with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 31)

Let us pray together. **Heavenly Father, in Jesus' baptism you declared him to be your beloved Son and set him apart as your agent of grace for your creation. May we who are baptized into his life also be sent as agents of grace in your world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Please be seated.

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GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 42:1-9

¹Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. ²He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; ³a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. ⁵Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: ⁶"I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, ⁷to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. ⁸I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols. ⁹Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them." The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 29 - *Sung responsively with the cantor. (psalm tone 9)*

¹Ascribe to the | Lord, you gods,*

ascribe to the Lord glo- | ry and strength.

²**Ascribe to the Lord the glory | due his Name;***

worship the Lord in the beau- | ty of holiness.

³The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;*

the Lord is upon the | mighty waters.

⁴**The voice of the Lord is a pow- | erful voice;***

the voice of the Lord is a | voice of splendor.

⁵The voice of the Lord breaks the | cedar trees;*

the Lord breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

⁶**He makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,***

and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

⁷The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord | shakes the wilderness;*

the Lord shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

⁸**The voice of the Lord makes the | oak trees writhe***

and strips the | forests bare.

⁹And in the temple | of the Lord*

all are | crying, "Glory!"

¹⁰**The Lord sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;***

the Lord sits enthroned as | King forevermore.

¹¹The Lord shall give strength | to his people;*

the Lord shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

SECOND READING: Romans 6:1-11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

VERSE (LBW p. 62) *John 6:68*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL ANNUNCIATION (LBW p. 63)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the third chapter.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 3:13-17

¹³Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; ¹⁷and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

GOSPEL RESPONSE (LBW p. 63)



Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters" WOV #697

F Gm/F F Dm F B^b F

1 Wash, O God, our sons and daugh-ters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
 2 We who bring them long for nur - ture; by your milk may we be fed.
 3 Oh, how deep your ho - ly wis - dom! Un - im - ag - ined, all your ways!

F Gm/F F Dm F B^b F

Num-ber them a - mong your peo-ple; bless as Christ blessed long a - go.
 Let us join your feast, par - tak-ing cup of bless - ing, liv - ing bread.
 To your name be glo - ry, hon-or! With our lives we wor-ship, praise!

F C Dm Am F B^b

Weave them gar - ments bright and spark - ling; com-pass them with love and light.
 God, re-new us, guide our foot - steps; free from sin and all its snares,
 We your peo - ple stand be - fore you, wa - ter-washed and Spir - it - born.

C Dm B^b F Gm⁷ Am Gm⁷ F

Fill, a - noint them; send your Spir - it, ho - ly dove and heart's de - light.
 one with Christ in liv - ing, dy - ing, by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs.
 By your grace, our lives we of - fer. Re-cre - ate us; God, trans-form!

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NICENE CREED (LBW p. 64) *Genesis 1-2; John 3:16; Luke 2; Acts 2*

Living together in the trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten,
not made, of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
from the virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried. On the third day
he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people as they have need...

*Each petition ends with these words: Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.***

*The prayers conclude with these words: ...through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.***

OFFERING OF PEACE *John 20:19-21*

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Having been reconciled to God in Christ, we share His peace with others.

OFFERING OF TITHES, ADDITIONAL GIFTS, & SPECIAL MUSIC

We offer our time, talents, and treasures in gratitude for all of the blessings God has given us.

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY HYMN (LBW p. 66)

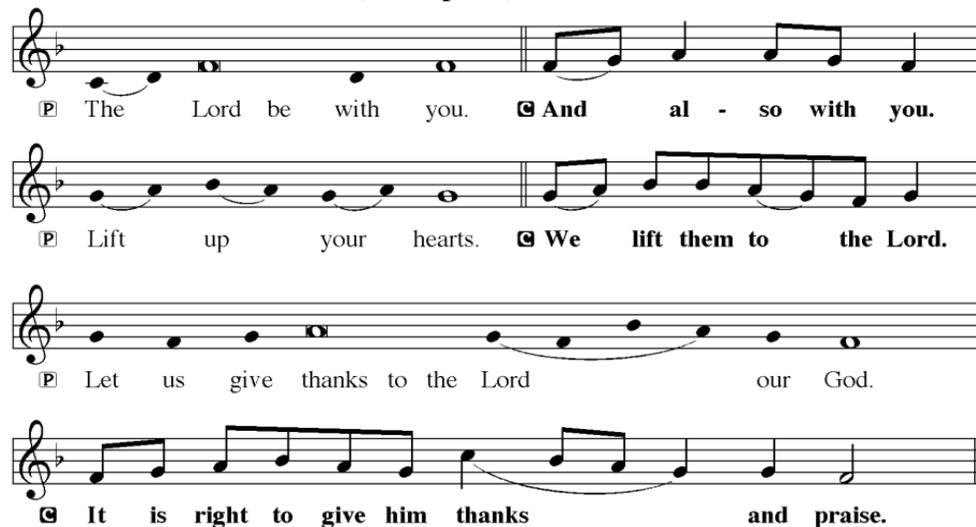


Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW p. 68)

Let us pray... Blessed are you, **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING (LBW p. 68)



The Lord be with you. **And** al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. **We** lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PREFACE (LBW p. 68) *Sung or spoken by the pastor.*

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, Holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give away to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (“*Holy*” LBW p. 69) *Psalm 118:25-26; Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; Mark 11:9*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (LBW p. 69)

1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 71) *Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4*

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray...

**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.**

Please remain standing as you are able.

COMMUNION HYMN ("Lamb of God..." LBW p. 72) John 1:29

☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please be seated.

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GOD COMES TO US IN HIS HOLY MEAL

All who are baptized and trust that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine may commune at the Lord's table. We commune by continuous table. The usher will direct you. Use the side aisle to return to your seat. If you require gluten-free wafers or abstain from wine, indicate so to the pastor. To receive the Sacrament in your seat, notify the usher and it will be brought to you. If you abstain from the Sacrament, trust that you have full forgiveness by God's Word alone.

The body of Christ given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen.**

After the elements are covered, please stand as you are able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING, CANTICLE, and PRAYER (LBW pp. 72-74)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

☐ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.
 Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear his name.
 He re-calls his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with
 shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

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WELCOME! We are delighted to have you join us for worship today! Love God. Love neighbor.



Love God.
Love neighbor.
Serve with joy in Jesus' name.
Worship + fellowship + discipleship

Who We Are -

As a congregation of the North American Lutheran Church we strive to these core values, to be:
Christ Centered, Mission Driven, Traditionally Grounded, & Congregationally Focused.



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