

☩ The Baptism of Our Lord ☩

January 10–11, 2026

☩ The Office of Vespers: 5:00 pm ☩

☩ The Office of Matins: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am ☩

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Silent Prayer Before Worship

Father in heaven, as at His baptism in the Jordan River You once proclaimed Jesus Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit, empower with Your same Spirit all who are baptized to keep the covenant into which we have been called, boldly confess our Savior, and with Him receive life eternal; through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prelude

Announcements

Opening Hymn

“To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord” *LSB* 406 Stanzas 1–4

Versicles

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The musical notation consists of six staves of music. The first three staves are for the congregation, and the last three are for the cantor. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are as follows:

L O Lord, o - pen my lips,
C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;
C make haste to help me, O Lord.

C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Psalmody

Antiphon



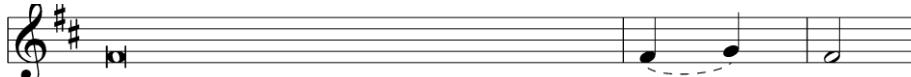
L The Christ has ap - peared to us.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

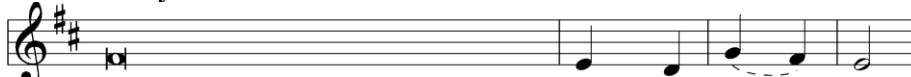
Venite

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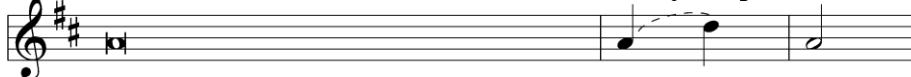
C 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
2 For the Lord is a great God
3 The sea is His, for He made it,

5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

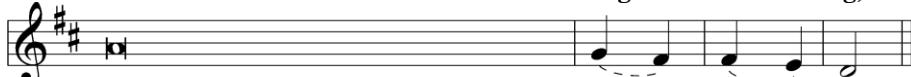


1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
3 and His hand formed the dry land.

5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
4 For He is our God,
5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.
3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep - of His hand.
5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Antiphon



L The Christ has ap - peared to us.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

(8:00, 11:00) **Psalmody - Psalm 29** (*sung by choir*)

Chant: Edward John Hopkins

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.

The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness: the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare, and in His temple all cry, "Glory!"

The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

May the LORD give strength to His people! May the LORD bless His people with peace!

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.

Readings

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

Behold 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. He will not cry aloud or lift up His voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed He will not break, and a faintly burning wick He will not quench; He will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be discouraged till He has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for His law. Thus 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: "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, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord; that is My name; My glory I give to no other, nor My praise to carved idols. Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Romans 6:1-11

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We 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. For if we have

been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. We 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. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. For the death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Hymn

(*Hymn of the Month*) “Baptized into Your Name Most Holy” *LSB* 590

Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:13–17

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented Him, saying, “I need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And 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; and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

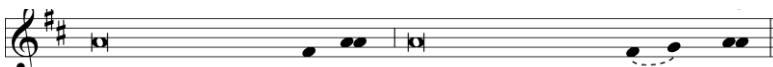
C Praise to You, O Christ.

(5:00, 8:00, 9:30) Office Hymn “To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord” *LSB* 406 Stanzas 5–7

(5:00, 8:00, 9:30) Sermon

Responsory

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L 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep— it.

3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.

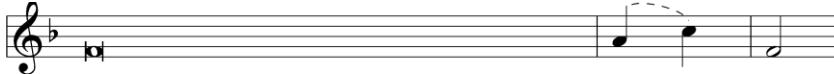


C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

(8:00) Installation of Officers

Canticle

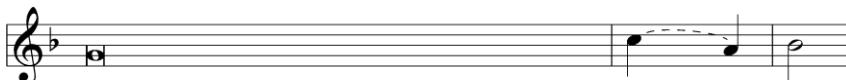
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C 1 Blessed be the Lord God of Is - ra - el;
 2 as He spoke by the mouth of His holy proph - ets,
 3 to perform the mercy promised to our fa - thers
 4 being delivered from the hand of our en - e - mies,
 5 And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;
 6 through the tender mercy of our God;
 7 Glory be to the Father and to the Son



1 for He has visited and re - deemed His peo - ple
 2 who have been since the world be - gan:
 3 and to remember His ho - ly cov - e - nant,
 4 might serve Him with - out fear,
 5 for you will go before the Lord to pre - pare His ways;
 6 when the day shall dawn up - on us from on high
 7 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 and has raised up a horn of salvation for us
 2 that we should be saved from our en - e - mies
 3 the oath that He swore to our father A - bra - ham,
 4 in holiness and righteousness be - fore Him
 5 to give knowledge of salvation to His peo - ple
 6 to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,
 7 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 in the house of His ser - vant Da - vid,
 2 and from the hand of all who hate us;
 3 to grant us that we,
 4 all the days of our life.
 5 in the for - - - give - ness of their sins,
 6 to guide our feet in - to the way of peace.
 7 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Offering

(8:00, 11:00) Offering (*sung by choir*) “Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day” John Gardner
*(In this Old English carol Jesus speaks of His “dance”—His life. This anthem uses the first four of eleven
 verses that tell of His work of redemption for His true love: mankind. All this He endured to call us to life in
 Him. The imagery is like that of Christ, the Bridegroom, calling (wooing) His bride, the Church, as found in
 the Bible in Song of Songs and Ephesians 5.)*

Tomorrow shall be My dancing day: I would My true love did so chance
To see the legend of My play, To call My true love to My dance:
Sing O My love; This have I done for My true love.

Then was I born of a virgin pure, Of her I took fleshly substance;
Thus was I knit to man's nature, To call My true love to My dance:
Sing O My love; This have I done for My true love.

In a manger laid and wrapped I was, So very poor this was My chance,
Betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass, To call My true love to My dance:
Sing O My love; This have I done for My true love.

Then afterwards baptized I was; The Holy Ghost on Me did glance,
My Father's voice heard from above, To call My true love to My dance:
Sing O My love; This have I done for My true love.

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life  everlasting. Amen.

(11:00) Baptismal Remembrance

We rejoice with all who were baptized in 2025.

Cooper James Ahlbrand	Ava Grace DeWulf
Ashley Marie Bearden	Alyson Edwards
Brooks Morgan Bearden	Amabel Opal Edwards
Caroline Grace Brickler	Ethan Robert Fiehler
Brooks Conrad Carson	Colin James Genthon
Vince (Ventzislav Ulianov) Chamov	George Thomas Gentile
Amanda Jean Chamov	Jolene Katherine Hooper
Vivian Julianna Chamov	Trenton Kenneth Huber
Penelope Pippa Chamov	Chasson Ryan Ipock
Howard Olin Clay	Vincent Wayne Ipock
Gideon David Cumming	Elias Christian Jennings
Obadiah Jordan Dent	Eliana Grace Jennings

Evangeline Victoria Jennings
Everett John Johnston
Audrey Grace King
Patrick Henry King
Eloise Christine King
Arthur Louis Kofman
Julia Grace Liedel
Sebastian Alexander Liedel
Sophia Lynn McCain

Daniel McClune
Emory Reese McIntyre
Camille Janet Schroeder
Josephine Louise Shelton
Piper Amelia Sontheimer
Meredith Eliana Spisak
Ronald Van Link
Matthew Gregory Vela
Raimund Long von zur Muehler

Prayer

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord's Prayer

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P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

Collect of the Day

P 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.

Prayer of the Church

- † Thanksgiving for the birth of Robert Benjamin Davidson, son of Rob and Hannah Davidson, grandson of Robert and Kim Davidson.
- † Successful cancer treatment for Kathy Larson.
- † All who mourn the death of Mark Koenig, father of Heather Stoll.

Concluding Collect

P Merciful God, we humbly implore You to cast the bright beams of Your light upon Your Church that we, being instructed by the doctrine of the blessed apostles, may walk in the light of Your truth and finally attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(11:00) Office Hymn

“To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord” *LSB* 406 Stanzas 5–7

(11:00) Sermon

Benedicamus

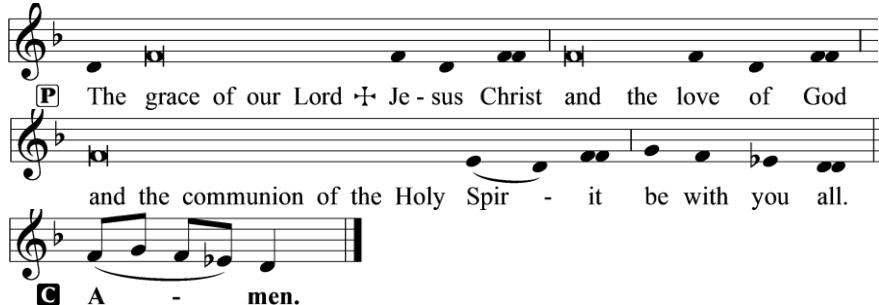
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L Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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P The grace of our Lord [†] Je-sus Christ and the love of God
and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.
C A - men.

Closing Hymn

“God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It” *LSB* 594

Silent Prayer

Postlude

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Preacher

Pastor Thompson

Liturgist

(8:00) Pastor Schudde

Choir

(11:00) Rev. Dr. Mark Rabe

Organist

St. Paul's Choir

Kantor Gerhardt