

Baptism of Our Lord
January 11, 2026
Lord of Life Lutheran Church

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN *God Is Here!* #526

CONFESSiON AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \dagger one God,
the Creator of heaven and earth,
the Word who spoke life into being,
the Wind stirring the waters.

Amen.

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Mighty God, lover of peace and justice,
you call us to life in community,
but we have served our own interests
at the expense of our neighbors.
We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.
We say the right words,
but our hearts are far from you.
Turn us to seek your face.
Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ,
that we may do justice, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.

Amen.

The former things have passed away,
and new things God now declares:
Like a spring of water that never fails,
God covers you in the righteousness of Christ,
and forgives your sin in \dagger Jesus' name.
May the Spirit give you strength to live for others,
and bless you with the gift of peace.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

PSALM: Psalm 29



The voice of the LORD is up - on the wa - ters.

¹ Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,
 ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

² **Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name;**
 worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

³ The 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 powerful voice;**
 the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor. R

⁵ The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;
 the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

⁶ **the Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf,**
 and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

⁷ The voice of the Lord
 bursts forth in lightning flashes.

⁸ **The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;**
 the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. R

⁹ The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.
 And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

¹⁰ **The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;**
 the Lord sits enthroned as king forevermore.

¹¹ O Lord, give strength to your people;
 give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace. R

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 42:1-9

¹ Here is 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.

² He will not cry out or lift up his voice
 or make it heard in the street;

³ a bruised reed he will not break,
 and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
 he will faithfully bring forth justice.

⁴ He will not grow faint or be crushed
 until he has established justice in the earth,
 and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

⁵ 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 upon it
 and spirit to those who walk in it:

⁶ I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness;

I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
 I have given you as a covenant to the people,
 a light to the nations,
⁷ to open the eyes that are blind,
 to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
 from the prison those who sit in darkness.
⁸ I am the Lord; that is my name;
 my glory I give to no other,
 nor my praise to idols.
⁹ See, the former things have come to pass,
 and new things I now declare;
 before they spring forth

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
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HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 3:13-17

¹³ Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. ¹⁶ And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God’s Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from the heavens said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

SERMON

MUSICAL OFFERING

Suzanne Bowen

HYMN OF THE DAY

Baptized and Set Free

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HOLY BAPTISM

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERTORY

By Your Hand, You Feed Your People

vs. 1 and chorus

#469

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also 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 our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil;

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

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The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

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THE BLESSING

You have been called and claimed by God!

SENDING

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

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Gospel Acclamation Celtic Alleluia

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