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The Baptism of Our Lord

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Welcome all in the name of Jesus, especially those who are worshiping for the first time with us. Please sign our guest book (make sure to indicate if you would like the Pastor to visit) and accept our invitation to worship with us again.

Who should commune at the Altar of Glory of Christ Lutheran Church? According to the Scriptures and the Confessional statements of the church only those should commune who “have been examined and absolved” by the pastor. If you wish to commune at Glory of Christ for the first time, please talk to the Pastor before doing so. Holy Communion is the most intimate expression of Christian fellowship and it is important to the members of Glory of Christ Lutheran Church that all who commune have a common understanding and commitment to the Gospel teachings of the Bible.

Following along with the Service: At Glory of Christ the pastor typically makes announcements after the service. So the service just starts at the appropriate time without a specific welcome. (The welcome actually occurs in the service itself when the pastor says, “The Lord be with you” and the congregation responds.) To follow the service, you should turn to the page indicated at the top of your bulletin insert. This week the page is 151. Usually we simply work through the service interrupting the process for the singing of hymns, certain prayers and the scripture readings. The prayers are usually printed in the service folder as are the Scripture readings. Hymns are found in the latter half of the Service book. If you are having trouble following the service you can ask someone nearby and they will help you. You can also comfort yourself with the knowledge that almost everyone has a little trouble following the service the first time through. It gets easier.

Worship Notes

The Baptism of Our Lord

Matthew 3:13-17

You can hardly blame John for his objection.

John had been baptizing *sinner*s in the Jordan, urging them to repent and prepare for the coming Messiah. But then along comes the Messiah himself, and He gets in line to be baptized too. Wait! Why would the *perfect* Lamb of God need to be baptized? He doesn't have any sins to confess. That's why John objects.

But Jesus hasn't come to *confess* sins but to *bear* them. He wades down into the Jordan, and it's as if the filth washed off everyone else and sticks to Jesus instead. In His baptism, Jesus stands *with* sinners *as* a sinner.

And He will take those sins all the way to the cross to dispose of them.

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OPENING HYMN #406 *"To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord"*
Stanzas 1-4

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT Ps. 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Is. 42:1a *antiphon sung by Gloria Christi Choir*



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 be- | gotten you.
Ask of me, and I will make the nations your | heritage,*
and the ends of the earth your pos- | session.

**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.*

Blessèd are all who take ref- | uge in him.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Behold my servant, whom | I uphold,*
my chosen, in whom my | soul delights.

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HYMN OF PRAISE

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COLLECT

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.

G Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT 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."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL Ps. 117:1–2a; 96:8



Praise the LORD, all | nations!*

Extol him, all | peoples!

For great is his steadfast | love toward us,*

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- | ever.

EPISTLE 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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA and VERSE *Sung by the Gloria Christi Choir*

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 3:13–17

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

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹³Then Jesus 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."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON HYMN #406 *"To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord"*

Stanzas 5-7

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The Distribution Hymns:

Hymn #404 *“Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered”*

Hymn #594 *“God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It”*

Hymn #596 *“All Christians Who Have Been Baptized”*

Hymn #601 *“All Who Believe and Are Baptized”*

Individual Prayer for after Communion:

(It is suggested that you pray this in your pew after returning from the altar.)

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord, Amen.

Martin Luther

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CLOSING HYMN #600 *“Mark How the Lamb of God’s Self-Offering”*

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flower Chart: The cost of the Altar flowers is \$40 per Sunday and you will be able to take your flowers home with you after the service in a box located *in the kitchen on the shelf above the triple sink*. To have your payment for flowers applied correctly, please use one of the *Designated Offering* envelopes found in your box of envelopes or label the outside of one of your regular envelopes with the words 'Altar flowers'. *If you take the black liners home, please be sure to bring them back to church by the following Wednesday.* Janice Hartness is our flower coordinator. If you have any special requests, please contact her at 763-355-5427 by the Wednesday prior.

We have changed Florists for our Altar Flowers. We are now using *Flowers by Myra*, located here in Plymouth – 612-728-0399. Her card is on the Altar Flower Chart. The 2020 flower chart is now up. Remaining weeks of December are for Poinsettias. **The 2020 Flower chart is up in the Narthex.** The following people have signed up through February:

January 19th Mary Swanson
January 26th Ruth Decker
February 2nd Tom & Brenda Richards
February 9th Bill & Julie Anderson
February 16th David & Louise Werts
February 23rd Betty Reinke

Curt & Sharla Woolfolk provided the Altar Flowers today in celebration of their 15th Wedding Anniversary. May God Bless them on this special occasion!

Saturday Evening Divine Service: 5:00 pm.

Sunday Schedule: Divine Service 9:00 AM; followed by Bible Class and Sunday School at 10:40.

Wednesday morning Prayer Service and Bible Study – Morning Prayer services begin at 9:15 am, followed by Bible Study at 10:00 am.

Northwest Suburban Circuit Congregation Prayers – Each week we will be praying for a congregation in the circuit and for others who have or have had a connection with them. This week, we are asking for Concordia Theological Seminary (Fort Wayne, IN) and Concordia Seminary (St. Louis, MO).

Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne Seminary Kantorei will be visiting Glory of Christ and will be part of our Mid-Week Lenten service on Wednesday March 4th! We need host family volunteers to host 17 men for that Wednesday night and then serve breakfast on Thursday morning of March 5th. If you can assist with this, please let Pastor Johnson know. Thank You!

2020 Offering Envelopes are now available on tables in the entrance to the Fellowship Hall. If you do not see a box for you, please let Brenda know. If you want to sign up for online giving, please let Brenda know. It's easy! **Even if you give online, please still take your offering envelope box. Thank You!**

2019 Tithing Statements/ Time & Talent Sheets will be available on Sunday January 19th and will be on the table in the Narthex with the offering envelopes. Thank You!

Save the Date! Missions Fest 2020 will be on April 25th. Mark this important date down in your calendar!

New dates for Quilting in January & February!! Jan. 7th & 21st. Feb. 4th & 18th. We start at 9:00 and bring a bag lunch. We can use more help sewing tops!! We have squares cut out for you. You will be blessed for you work! Any questions? Please call 612-801-8677.

Compassion Circle: The next meeting for Compassion Circle will be on Monday January 13th at 1:00.

Poinsettias! Please take your poinsettia home after the January 12th Service. They will be removed after this date. Thank You!

Remember in our Prayers: Sean Breininger, Lee & Doris Hart, Velva Kosel, Jack Jakupciak, CLEF, Lutheran Synod of Mexico, Jared Clark (Brother of Jana Hargreaves), Christy Peterson (Friend of Jon Burns), Sandi Olchefski (Friend of Tom and Brenda Richards), Delia Samuel (Friend of Carla Claussen), Erno Szedlak (Olivia Young's Grandfather), Eunice McBroom and Rev. Marvin Ahlborn and his family (Kim Neuman's uncle).

