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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 203. 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.

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Worship Notes

Luke 4:16-30

"Pondering the One Who Pleases!

"Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." When Jesus entered the water, He brought the whole trinity into the water with Him. The Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit are present because it's never One apart from the Other. Now, Holy Baptism is the place where man meets God and God meets man, because Jesus is in the water. This is where Holy Baptism gets its power to do what it promises to do. Baptism would never have the power to actually purify sinners by the forgiveness of sins unless the One who 'takes away the sin of the world' is in the water. But now that Jesus has entered Baptism. You are IN the one who pleases the Father, so He is well pleased with you!

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OPENING HYMN #406 – “*To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord*”

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SERVICE OF THE WORD (page 204)

INTROIT Ps. 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Is. 42:1a – *Sung Responsively with the Gloria Christi Choir*

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



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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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.

☩ Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 43:1–7

¹But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:

“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.

²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

³For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,
Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴Because you are precious in my eyes,
and honored, and I love you,
I give men in return for you,
peoples in exchange for your life.

⁵Fear not, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you.

⁶I will say to the north, Give up,
and to the south, Do not withhold;
bring my sons from afar
and my daughters from the end of the earth,
⁷everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G **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.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;*

bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

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.

G **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA and VERSE – *Gloria Christi Choir*

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 3:15–22

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

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

¹⁵As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, ¹⁶John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

¹⁸So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. ¹⁹But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

CREED

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SERMON HYMN #401 – *“From God the Father, Virgin-Born”*

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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THE DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

Hymn #544 – *"O Love, How Deep"*

Hymn #602 – *"The Gifts Christ Freely Gives"*

Hymn #405 – *"To Jordan's River Came Our Lord"*

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 #601 – *"All Who Believe and Are Baptized"*

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. ***The 2019 Flower chart is now available for you to sign up for Flowers. The following people have signed up in January:***

January 20th – Open

January 27th – Open

Garry & Cheryl McCreary gave Altar flowers in celebration of their granddaughter Sawyer's, Birthday. May God Bless her on this special occasion!

Sunday Schedule: Divine Service 9:00 AM; followed by Bible Class at 10:30.

Saturday Evening Divine Service 5:00 PM

Wednesday morning Prayer Service and Bible Study – Morning Prayer service begins 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).

New Church Photo Directory: We are doing a new church photo directory in 2019! Signup sheets are now available in the Narthex. Please sign up for your photo time!

Driver Needed! Assistance is needed to drive some of our members to church on January 20th, 27th and February 3rd. One member lives in Minnetonka and the other in Plymouth. If you can help, please talk to either Brenda or Pastor Johnson. Thank You!

Year End Tithing Statements will be run and **ready by January 20th** along with the Time & Talent Sheets.

Everyone Welcome! Pastor Johnson and Pastor Krueger are doing **monthly Chapel Services** at Cherrywood Pointe in Plymouth - 18405 Old Rockford Rd, Plymouth, MN 55446. The next one will be on **Monday January 14th** at 11:00 am. Please feel free to attend this service.

COMPASSION CIRCLE: Compassion Circle will be meeting on **Monday, January 14th at 9:00** to make greeting cards to be mailed to members of Glory of Christ. **Please note the start time of 9:00, so bring a lunch to have before the regular meeting.** We will have our regular meeting at 1:00 with a devotion, dessert, meeting, and fellowship. Everyone is welcome!

Quilting: Make a New Year's resolution to come once a month to help make quilts for the unfortunate! QUILTING has begun. We will meet next on **Tuesday the 22nd**. February 5th & 19th. We start at 9:00am. Please bring your lunch along. We would appreciate any time you could give us, if only an hour or two! Thank You!

Voters Meeting Results: Our Annual Voters Meeting took place on Sunday, December 9th. The selected new officers, Elders and Church Council Members are:

President – Josh Christian

Treasurer – Jesse Huber

Secretary – Bill Anderson

Elders - 1 More Term - Nate Burdick, Mark Swenson, Andy Madson, Todd Schoolman

Newly elected Elders - Paul Koosman, Ben Rolf, Kord Brashear, Mike Lindh

Church Council – 1 more term: Mari Houck, Bill Anderson, Jonathan Schultz, Rebecca Neumann

Newly Elected Council Members – Jeremy Eickhoff, Todd Palmer, Patton Hoffarth, Kim Bonine.

***Joint Council and Elders meeting will be at 7:00 this coming Tuesday, January 15th.**

Children's Chimes: Any and all children grades 4-8 are welcome for the Children's Chimes Group and are encouraged to join them even if not at prior rehearsals. They will enhance the services about once a month through music and Joy! Rehearsal times are on Wednesdays from 4:50 to 5:30.

Remember in our Prayers: Sean Breininger, Arta Walter, Lee Hart, Velva Kosel, Jack Jakupciak, CLEF, Lutheran Synod of Mexico, Aaron Klein (Nephew of Cheryl McCreary), Marietta Sylvester (Mother of Joy O'Bresky), a young friend of the Merkle Family, Jim Fahnhorst and Mary Vernaglia (Friend of Dave and Karen Nelson).

