

Saint Nicholas Lutheran Church

January 13, 2019

Baptism of Our Lord

8:00 am & 10:45 am



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Welcome to Saint Nicholas! We're glad you're worshipping with us today. May our time together be a blessing to you. If you are visiting with us this morning, please sign the guest register in the Narthex on the podium.

All children ages 5 – 10 are invited to attend Time for Children in the North Wing where they will hear a bible lesson presented through story, song and prayer. Children are dismissed with the adult leaders following the Children's Sermon and return to worship for Holy Communion.

Our worship always includes the sacrament of Holy Communion and all people including children at the discretion of their parents are welcome to receive. Children are also welcome to come forward to receive a blessing from the pastor.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Stand

Thanksgiving for Baptism

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.
Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
Amen.

Gathering Song: *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*

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Come, now is the time _____ to wor - ship. _____

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Come, now is the time _____ to give _____ your _____ heart. _____

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Come, just as you are _____ to wor - ship. _____

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Last time to Coda



Come, just as you are _____ be - fore _____ your _____ God. _____

VERSE

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Come. 1. One day ev - ry tongue will con - fess _____ You are God. _____
2. Will - ling - ly we choose to sur - ren - der our lives. _____

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One day ev - ry knee _____ will bow. _____ Still, the great - est treas - ure re - mains .
Will - ing - ly our knees _____ will bow. _____ With all our heart, _____ soul, _____ mind, _____

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. *Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

WORD

Sit

Children's Sermon

Time For Children *(All children in Kindergarten – 5th grade are invited to hear a bible lesson presented through story, song and prayer in the North Wing.)*

First Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

A reading from Isaiah.

Near the end of Israel's exile in Babylon, God promises to bring them home. They need no longer be afraid, because the one who formed, created, and called them by name now redeems them from all their enemies. God declares them precious and honored, and God loves them.

¹But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, 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, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not fear, 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 them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away 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."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 29 *(Please read responsively)*

¹Ascribe 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.***

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 powerful voice;
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.***

⁵The 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.***

⁷The 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.***

⁹The 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.***

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

Psalm Prayer

Let us pray.

***God of splendor, your voice thunders over the waters as you reign
above the flood. Give strength to your people who are born anew by
water and the Spirit, that we may praise your wonderful deeds and
give you the glory due your name; through Jesus Christ, our Savior
and Lord. ✠ Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and forever shall be, world
without end. Amen.***

Second Reading: Acts 8:14-17

A reading from Acts.

Peter and John are sent to support the new Christians in Samaria, a group that was recently baptized after hearing the good news of Christ through the preaching of Philip. Here the Samaritans receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the laying on of hands.

¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The reading opens with questions about the identity of the Messiah. John the Baptist insists that he is not the Messiah; instead he points ahead to one who is coming. And whether the voice of God was heard by all or only by Jesus, God settles the matter: Jesus is God's beloved Son.

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." ²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

Sermon

Stand

Hymn of the Day: *You Are Mine* (ELW 581)



1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,
2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,
3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,
(4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear.
I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the
heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be
shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and
I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



still and know I am here. *To stanza 2*
Come and rest in me. *To refrain*
all will know my name. *To refrain*
up, now walk and live! *To refrain*



Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I



love you and you are mine."

To stanzas 3 and 4

4 "I

Text: David Haas, b. 1957

Music: YOU ARE MINE, David Haas

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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayers Of Intercession

Each prayer petition concludes with the following words:

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your loving hands O Lord we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love and mercy through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

Sharing Of The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

Sit

Gathering Of Gifts/Setting The Table

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church. If you would like to give electronically here is our QR code.



The master said, "Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!" Matthew 25:23 NLT

Offering Music

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. *Holy God, your beauty shines forth from the manger and your love flows from the cross. As you gather us around these signs of your love come among us, warm us to extend your care among the hungry and all in need. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

Dialogue

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.

Eucharistic Prayer

O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.

When the earth was a formless void, you formed order and beauty.

When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child;

When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom.

Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother.

He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

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.*

Remembering Christ's death, we cry out Amen. **Amen!**

Celebrating the resurrection, we shout Amen. **Amen!**

Trusting Christ's presence in every time and place, we plead Amen.
Amen!

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit upon this meal. O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself.

O God, you are wine: warm our hearts and make us one. O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly,

O God our strength and our song,

you show us a vision of life for all, where none are hungry and everyone is free.

Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior, life in you, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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.

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome to receive the sacrament including children. Children not yet prepared for Holy Communion are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing from the pastor. Today we commune by intinction. With intinction, the communion participant comes forward, receives a wafer and then dips it into the chalice of wine or grape juice before eating it. We also offer gluten free wafers at communion.

Sit

Communion Songs



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 grant us peace.

SENDING

Remain seated

Post Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. *Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Community Life Announcements

Stand

Blessing

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you : wherever he may send you; may he guide you through the wilderness : protect you through the storm; may he bring you home rejoicing : at the wonders he has shown you; may he bring you home rejoicing: once again into our doors. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn: *Wade in the Water* (ELW 459)

Refrain
All

Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the wa - ter, chil - dren,
wade in the wa - ter, God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

Leader All

1 See that host all dressed in white,
2 See that band all dressed in red, God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the
3 Look o - ver yon - der, what do I see?
4 If you don't be - lieve I've been re - deemed,

Leader

wa - ter. the lead - er looks like the Is - rael - ite.
looks like the band that . . . Mo - ses led.
the Ho - ly Ghost a - com - ing on me.
just fol - low me down to . . . Jor - dan's stream.

All *Refrain*

God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: WADE IN THE WATER, African American spiritual

Dismissal

Go in peace. *Share the joy of Christ.*

8:00 am Service - Please place your bulletin on the table in the Narthex for the next service.

SAINT NICHOLAS ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS

January 13, 2019



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Lisa Buzzetta, in memory of her dad, Frank Buzzetta and nephew, Alex Buzzetta.

Prayer Concerns

Bereavement: Family and friends of Joseph Grondin

Health: Stu Maslow, Bruce Clark, Emily Shooks, Belinda Kite, Cicley Boesler, Jeffrey Arnheim

Long term concerns: Heidi Gault, Avay Jaynes, The Smith/Biello Families, Susan Vilcheck, Garrett Krohnert, Karen Smith, Jill Richardson, Robin LaPorte, Theresa Dubois, Ray Nieves, Linda Dorr, Dawn Jaeger, Caroline Urnosky

Saint Nicholas Lutheran Church has a special Prayer Team committed to intercessory prayer. Your request will always be treated with immediacy, care, and confidentiality. Contact Carol Blatt at [tblatt@comcast.net](mailto:tlblatt@comcast.net) with prayer requests.

If you want your name or someone else's name added to the Prayer Concerns List, please contact the church office. Prayer concerns will be carried for 1 month unless notified otherwise.

This Week's Birthdays

Sunday — Ryan Holmes

Wednesday— James Felbinger, Josh Smith

Thursday—John Williams **Friday** — Janet Hooper

Forgive us if we missed anyone, please contact the office if you would like to include your birthday in the weekly announcements.

Worship Attendance ~ January 6

8:00 am — 45 10:45 am — 65

Staff & Leadership

The Rev. Kenneth D. Taylor ~ pastor@saintnicholaslutheran.org

Erika Demme, Office Adm. /Bookkeeper ~ office@saintnicholaslutheran.org

Bryan Mullins, Council President ~ mullinsb@calvertnet.k12.md.us

SAINT NICHOLAS CALENDAR

Sunday, Jan. 13

8:00 am Worship

9:30 am Education Hour

10:45 am Worship

12:00 pm Youth Group

7:30 pm Another Chance

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday ~ 9:00 am – 5:30 pm Office Hours

Monday – Friday ~ 6:00 pm Wrestling Rampage

Monday, Jan. 14 ~ 6:15 pm Finance Mtg.; 7:00 pm Council

Tuesday, Jan. 15 ~ Scouts

Wednesday, Jan. 16 ~ 6:30 pm Bible Study

Thursday, Jan. 17 ~ 7:00 pm Steps to Serenity

Saturday, Jan. 19 ~ 8:00 am Hyland Event

Sunday, Jan. 20

8:00 am Worship

9:30 am Education Hour

10:45 am Worship

12:00 pm Youth Group

7:30 pm Another Chance

Volunteering

Project ECHO

Many thanks to Carol Blatt, Mary Jo Gebhardt, Justin and Christine Yott, Sue Brockman, Becky Watkins, and Sara Bowen for preparing the Project Echo meal for December! If you would like to be part of the team that prepares the January meal, to be served on **Sunday, January 27th**, please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex, or contact Kathy Dangin (kdangin@live.com).

T.P. for P.E.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our 2018 toilet paper drive for Project ECHO! Thanks to your generosity, we donated 1,295 rolls in 2018 which topped our 2017 total of 1,243! In addition to the T.P., we donated 14 children's books and numerous toiletry items! **Our first donation date of 2019 will be March 31st, so let's keep the generosity rolling!**

Announcements

Thank you!

Thank you to everybody who helped with the Unhanging of the Greens last Sunday. Many hands made for light work, and a quick job!

We Thank You!

Thank you so much for the generous Christmas gifts you gave us this year. It was very thoughtful and greatly appreciated! Pastor Ken, Mary and Erika

2018 Contribution Statements

Please stop by the table in the church entryway and pick up the envelope containing a brief note as well as your statement listing all recorded financial contributions to Saint Nicholas during 2018. Take some time to look over your statement to ensure I listed all your contributions during the year. If you have any questions, please contact me (Tom Blatt) as soon as possible. Also, please make sure you place your contributions statement with your 2018 tax information. It seems these statements like to wander away and disappear by the time tax preparations begin!!

Dig and Prayer!

Please join us on Wednesdays at 6:30pm for Bible Study. Beginning **Wednesday, January 9** we will walk together through chapter 3 of Philippians and close the evening with prayer. Contact Pastor Ken at pastor@saintnicholaslutheran.org with any questions.

Soup and Chowder Social

The Youth Group is sponsoring a Soup/Chowder social as a fundraiser for youth activities on **January 27th** in conjunction with the congregational meeting. Please join us for a great time of fellowship and share with us your favorite soup or chowder recipe. Signup Sheet is on the bulletin board. Thanks for helping our youth!

Congregational Meeting

Our next Congregational Meeting will be held on **January 27th** following the 9:00 am worship service. We will also enjoy a Soup and Chowder Social benefiting the Youth Group following the meeting (more details will be forthcoming). There will be no Sunday School this day, but there will be activities for the kids during the meeting. The meeting agenda will include the presentation of the 2018 Annual Report, review of the minutes from last year's Congregational Meetings, and election of our Audit Committee members. We will also be reviewing a change to our bylaws. If you have any questions, please contact Bryan Mullins.

At the Congregational meeting, one item on the agenda will be a minor change to one bylaw, relating to the election of officers. Saint Nicholas' Constitution was amended in 2015 to assign this responsibility to the Council. Bylaw C13.07.01 still suggests that officers are elected at the annual meeting. Therefore, the Council unanimously approved a recommendation for the Congregation's consideration and approval.

By-Law C13.07.01 would be amended to delete the language that conflicts with the Constitution. For those interested, a copy of the bylaw and section of the Constitution in question are posted on the bulletin board where the Council minutes are posted, including the proposed change.

Inclement Weather Policy

Safety first!

Please don't leave your home if you feel your travel would be hazardous. We are not only concerned about the road conditions, but also the condition of our parking lot and sidewalks.

If we have inclement weather on a Sunday morning, check the website or the Facebook page for information on closing status. **Also, please sign-up for text alerts (text the message @snlc1 to the number 81010) to receive the most immediate information regarding any changes.**

For events throughout the week, we will use Calvert County Public Schools as a guideline for canceling events, but will proceed as scheduled if it is determined by the council president and pastor that the church grounds are safe. It will be announced via the website and Facebook page if the church will be closed for events during the week.

Serving Next Sunday, January 20

8:00 am

Assisting Minister

Andre Dangin

Altar Care

Anna Kitzmiller, Carol Blatt

Altar Flowers

Jim & Tracey Lotz

Acolyte

Kyler Kiessling

Lector

Carol Blatt

Ushers/Communion Asst.

Volunteers Needed

Offering Counters

Sharon LeBrun, Christy Mullins

Coffee Set-up

Joe Sharar

Nursery

Volunteer Needed

Time for Children

Volunteers Needed

Fellowship

Volunteer Needed

10:45 am

Assisting Minister

Deanna Kekesi

Altar Care

Heidi Bishop, Sheila Poole

Acolytes

Ashlyn Vilcheck

Lector

Deanna Kekesi

Ushers/Communion Asst.

Jackie Stein, Michael Vilcheck

Offering Counters

Ed Aronhalt, Kris Wood

Coffee Clean-up

Susan Vilcheck

Nursery

Erin McClelland

Time for Children

Heidi & Eden Bishop

Fellowship

Sara Bowen

Serving Today, January 13

8:00 am

Assisting Minister	Bryan Mullins
Altar Care	Tracey Lotz
Altar Flowers	Lisa Buzzetta
Acolyte	Liam Roger
Lector	Ann Wolfgang
Ushers/Communion Asst.	Dawn & John Hogenson
Offering Counters	Pam Werner, Ann Wolfgang
Coffee Set-up	Vicki Soto
Nursery	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Time for Children	Katie Roger, Vicki Soto
Fellowship	Dawn Hogenson

10:45 am

Assisting Minister	Dominic Soto
Altar Care	Christy Mullins, Sara Bowen
Acolytes	Maddi Taylor
Lector	Vicki Williams
Ushers/Communion Asst.	Keith & Vicki Williams
Offering Counters	Colleen Hyland, Vicki Williams
Coffee Clean-up	Williams Family
Nursery	Gillian Riehle
Time for Children	Dorothy & McKenna Taylor
Fellowship	Kris Wood



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God's work. Our hands.

*Begin Anew! Saint Nicholas Lutheran Church
Enjoying God by worshipping joyfully, engaging youth,
experiencing community.*