

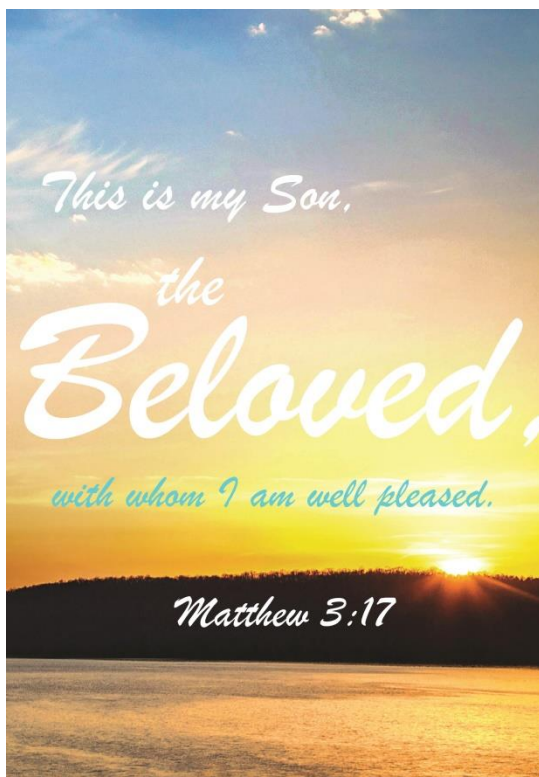
St. John Lutheran Church, ELCA

January 12, 2019

9 AM

Baptism of Our Lord

Welcome to worship at St. John! Hymns are found in the second half of the red Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) hymnal and are listed with a number sign, for example #504. Please join in the assembly portions of the spoken word, indicated by **bold** print in this worship order. An asterisk (*) indicates when to stand as you are able.



Gathering Music

Please use this time for a moment of quiet reflection before the service begins. If you so choose, a before worship prayer is located on page 72 of the hymnal.

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters. As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God who searches us and knows us, you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; † your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.
Amen.

***Gathering Hymn**

#455 Crashing Waters at Creation

***Kyrie**

s147

***Canticle of Praise**

s148

***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. Amen.

Word

First Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

¹Here 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.

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

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

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

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 upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:

⁶I 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,

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 idols.

⁹See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;

Second Reading

Acts 10:34-43

³⁴Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation

S151a

*Gospel

Matthew 3:13-17

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 3rd chapter.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

¹³Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, 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 it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children’s Message

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

#304 Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized

***Nicene Creed**

Page 104

***Prayers of Intercession**

The Assembly responds, “**Hear our prayer.**”

***Sharing of the Peace**

Meal

Offering

#456 Baptized in Water

***Offertory Response**

#884 Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow (v. 1)

***Offertory Prayer**

God of wonder, you formed us in our mother’s womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on

your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life. Amen.

***The Great Thanksgiving and Preface**

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... and join their unending hymn:

***Holy, Holy, Holy**

s153

***Words of Institution**

***Lord's Prayer**

s154, right column

Lamb of God

s154

Communion

- All baptized Christians who have been instructed in the meaning of this Sacrament and who believe in the Real Presence of Christ are invited to the table.
- The ushers will direct you forward for distribution.
- Children are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.
- If you are unable to kneel, please remain standing.
- White grape juice is provided at the center of the tray.
- Gluten-free bread is available in the left line upon request.

Music during Communion

- #396 Spirit of Gentleness
- #303 Brightest and Best of the Stars
- #800 Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Sending

*Blessing

*Sending Song

#310 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

*Dismissal

Go in peace. Let your light shine.
Thanks be to God.

*Sending Music

<i>Rev. Ernesto Medina, Transitional Senior Pastor</i>	<i>Pat Jeardoe, Maintenance</i>
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