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THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Order of Worship –9 AM

AS WE GATHER – *Have you ever thought about how powerful fear and worry are in our lives? Fear takes hold. It ties us in knots and refuses to let us go. On our own, we're powerless to undo these "fear knots." Only Jesus has the power to release us from their captivity. "Fear not," He says to His redeemed people! "You are Mine," He refreshingly reminds us. Our worship on this Baptism of Our Lord Sunday brings us with Jesus to the baptismal waters, enabling us to hear the living voice of our God as He washes us clean and makes us His own. Fear may take its hold for a moment, but Jesus' hold is eternal. "Fear knots" may have their day. "Fear not" are saving words forever.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC "God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It" by Jeffrey Blersch

WELCOME

[Please fill out prayer request cards.]

[♩Means please stand; ♪Means please be seated]

♩ **OPENING HYMN**

God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It



1 God's own child, I glad - ly say it: I am bap - tized
2 Sin, dis - turb my soul no long - er: I am bap - tized
3 Sa - tan, hear this proc - la - ma - tion: I am bap - tized
4 Death, you can - not end my glad - ness: I am bap - tized
5 There is noth - ing worth com - par - ing To this life - long



in - to Christ! He, be - cause I could not pay it,
in - to Christ! I have com - fort e - ven strong - er:
in - to Christ! Drop your ug - ly ac - cu - sa - tion,
in - to Christ! When I die, I leave all sad - ness
com - fort sure! O - pen - eyed my grave is star - ing:

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Gave my full re - demp - tion price. Do I need earth's
 Je - sus' cleans - ing sac - ri - fice. Should a guilt - y
 I am not so soon en - ticed. Now that to the
 To in - her - it par - a - dise! Though I lie in
 E - ven there I'll sleep se - cure. Though my flesh a -

treas - ures man - y? I have one worth
 con - science seize me Since my Bap - tism
 dust I've trav - eled, All your might has
 waits its rais - ing, Faith's as - sur - ance con -

more than an - y That brought me sal -
 did re - lease me In a dear for -
 come un - rav - eled, And, a - gainst your
 bright - ly flash - es: Bap - tism has the
 tin - ues prais - ing: I am bap - tized

va - tion free Last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!
 giv - ing flood, Sprin - kling me with Je - sus' blood?
 tyr - an - ny, God, my Lord, u - nites with me!
 strength di - vine To make life im - mor - tal mine.
 in - to Christ; I'm a child of par - a - dise!

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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Romans 6:3-4

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the \mp Son and of the Holy Spirit.* **C** **Amen.**
- P** *Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?*
- C** **We 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.**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P** *Since we are gathered to hear the Word of God, which speaks over us in the waters of Baptism, to call upon our God in prayer and praise, which is the response of those who have been made His own, and to receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, who comes to us in the fellowship of this altar, let us first confess before our God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed. We cannot set ourselves free from the entanglement of our sinful condition. Therefore, together as one people, united to Christ's death and resurrection, let us take refuge in the faithfulness of our God, seeking His forgiveness and grace, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.*
- C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us. Speak over us words of life. Forgive us our sins and lead us with Jesus to life everlasting. Amen.**

P Almighty God, your merciful Father, has declared you in Holy Baptism to be His child and has gathered you into the family of His Church, in which He daily and richly forgives all your sins and grants you new life through His Spirit. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ~~F~~ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

PSALM

Psalm 29; antiphon: v. 3

P Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

C Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.

P The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

C the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

P The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

C The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

P He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

C The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

P The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

C the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

P The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

C The voice of the Lord makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare, and in His temple all cry, "Glory!"

P The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

C May the Lord give strength to His people! May the Lord bless His people with peace!

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

C the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

HYMN OF PRAISE

We Know That Christ Is Raised



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in His sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.



Em-braced by death, He broke its fear - ful hold;
Re - born, we share with Him an Eas - ter life.
The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the Church of God.



And our de - spair He turned to blaz - ing joy.
As liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.

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Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia!

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** *The Lord be with you.* **C** **And also with you.**
- P** *Let us pray.*

All: Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River Your voice proclaimed Him to be Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Set free from fear all who are baptized in His name that they may fearlessly make known Your words of life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P** *The peace of the Lord be with you always.* **C** **And also with you.**
- P** *Let us share this peace with one another.*
 (People greet one another saying: "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 43:1-7

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- L** *This is the Word of the Lord.* **C** **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 6:1-11

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- L** *This is the Word of the Lord.* **C** **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE

Mark 1:11b

All: Alleluia. You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 3:15-22

- P** *The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.* **C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**
 (lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- P** *This is the Gospel of the Lord.* **C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]

HYMN OF THE DAY

To Jordan's River Came Our Lord



1 To Jor - dan's riv - er came our Lord, The Christ, whom
 2 The Sav - ior came to be bap - tized— The Son of
 3 As Je - sus in the Jor - dan stood And John bap -
 4 Then from God's throne with thun - d'rous sound Came God's own

heav'n-ly hosts a - dored, The God from God, the
 God in flesh dis - guised— To stand be - neath the
 tized the Lamb of God, The Ho - ly Spir - it,
 voice with words pro - found: "This is My Son," was

 Light from Light, The Lord of glo - ry, pow'r, and might.
 Fa - ther's will And all His righ - teous - ness ful - fill.
 heav'n - ly dove, De - scend - ed on Him from a - bove.
 His de - cree, "The one I love, who pleas - es Me."

5. The Father's word, the Spirit's flight
 Anointed Christ in glorious sight
 As God's own choice, from Adam's fall
 To save the world and free us all.
6. Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute;
 This man is Christ, our substitute!
 He was baptized in Jordan's stream,
 Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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SERMON *"FEAR KNOTS AND FEAR NOTS"* *Isaiah 43:1-7*

- I. In our worries, it is easy to be tied up in "fear knots."
- II. But God reminds us today to "fear not" for He has made us, redeemed us and called us by name.

♪ APOSTLE'S CREED

☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING *"All Who Believe and Are Baptized"* *by Max Reger*

♪ OFFERTORY *All Who Believe and Are Baptized*

1 All who be - lieve and are bap - tized Shall see the Lord's sal - va - tion;
 2 With one ac - cord, O God, we pray: Grant us Your Ho - ly Spir - it.

 Bap - tized in - to the death of Christ, They are a new cre - a - tion.
 Help us in our in - fir - mi - ty Through Je - sus' blood and mer - it.

 Through Christ's re - demp - tion they shall stand A - mong the glo - rious,
 Grant us to grow in grace each day That by this sac - ra -

P Walk in the newness of life you have been given by the Father, who has called you by name and made you His own in Jesus Christ! The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ~~+~~ give you His peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

How Firm a Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,
 3 "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way will lie,



Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
 For I am your God and will still give you aid;
 I will not, I will not, de - sert to his foes;
 My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, will be your sup - ply.



What more can He say than to you He has said
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
 That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,
 The flames will not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign



Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er, for - sake!
 Your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.

5. "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove
 My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
 And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn,
 Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

"How Firm a Foundation"

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