

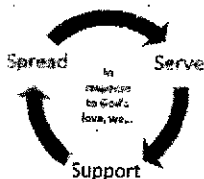
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THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Order of Worship -9:00 AM

AS WE GATHER – *The First Sunday after the Epiphany takes us in mind and heart to the Jordan River, where Jesus is baptized. This day, observed each year in the Church, is a reminder of the importance of Baptism in the life of every Christian, for it is in dying with Christ through Baptism that we are born anew to eternal life. Although we may have not been baptized in the river Jordan, we share with our Lord the experience of being baptized. Through Baptism, we are connected to Christ and given a whole new way of living for time and for eternity. "But I am baptized!" Martin Luther would exclaim when life situations seemed overwhelming. Knowing that we live daily in baptismal grace makes the difference in our lives as well.*

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

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

LSB 395



1 O Morn-ing Star, how fair and bright! You shine with God's
2 Come, heav'n-ly Bride-groom, Light di-vine, And deep with-in
3 Lord, when You look on us in love, At once there falls
4 Al-might-y Fa-ther, in Your Son You loved us when



own truth and light, A-glow with grace and mer-cy!
our hearts now shine; There light a flame un-dy-ing!
from God a-bove A ray of pur-est plea-sure.
not yet be-gun Was this old earth's foun-da-tion!

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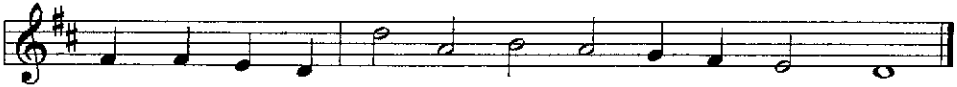
Of Ja - cob's race, King Da - vid's son, Our Lord and mas -
 In Your one bod - y let us be As liv - ing branch -
 Your Word and Spir - it, flesh and blood Re - fresh our souls
 Your Son has ran - somed us in love To live in Him



ter, You have won Our hearts to serve You on - ly!
 es of a tree, Your life our lives sup - ply - ing.
 with heav'n - ly food. You are our dear - est trea - sure!
 here and a - bove: This is Your great sal - va - tion.



Low - ly, ho - ly! Great and glo - rious, All vic - to - rious,
 Now, though dai - ly Earth's deep sad - ness May per - plex us
 Let Your mer - cy Warm and cheer us! O draw near us!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the liv - ing, To us giv - ing



Rich in bless - ing! Rule and might o'er all pos - sess - ing!
 And dis - tress us, Yet with heav'n - ly joy You bless us.
 For You teach us God's own love through You has reached us.
 Life for - ev - er, Keeps us Yours and fails us nev - er!

5. O let the harps break forth in sound!
 Our joy be all with music crowned,
 Our voices gladly blending!
 For Christ goes with us all the way—
 Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!
 His love is never ending!
 Sing out! Ring out!
 Jubilation!
 Exultation!
 Tell the story!
 Great is He, the King of Glory!

6. What joy to know, when life is past,
 The Lord we love is first and last,
 The end and the beginning!
 He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
 Transport us to that happy place
 Beyond all tears and sinning!
 Amen! Amen!
 Come, Lord Jesus!
 Crown of gladness!
 We are yearning
 For the day of Your returning!

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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 71:19, 23

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
- C** **Amen.**
- P** *Your righteousness, O God, reaches the high heavens.*
- C** **You who have done great things, O God, who is like You?**
- P** *My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to You;*
- C** **my soul also, which You have redeemed.**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P** *People redeemed by the Lord, let us now make confession of our sins to God our heavenly Father.*
- C** Merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We repent of having sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We have left undone those things we ought to have done; we have done those things we ought not to have done. We have not lived our lives fully in the baptismal grace with which we have been blessed. We have not completely shared the bounty You have given us as stewards of Your creation. We sincerely repent of our sins and humbly ask Your grace and forgiveness in Jesus Christ. By the renewing work of the Holy Spirit, forgive what is sinful in our lives, and grant that each day we grow in righteousness and godly living to the glory of Your holy name.
- P** *God has promised pardon, life, and salvation because of the atoning sacrifice of His beloved Son. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the \div Son and of the Holy Spirit. As you believe, so may it be.*
- C** Amen.

INTROIT

Psalm 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a

P *Behold My servant, whom I uphold, My chosen, in whom My soul delights.*

Men: I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to Me, “You are My Son; today I have begotten You. Ask of Me, and I will make the nations Your heritage, and the ends of the earth Your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

Women: 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. Blessed are all who take refuge in Him.

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

HYMN OF PRAISE

God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It

LSB 594



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:

(continued)

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 -

trea - sures man - y? I have one worth
 con - science seize me Since my Bap - tism
 font I've trav - eled, All your might has
 dust and ash - es Faith's as - sur - ance
 waits its rais - ing, Still my soul 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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PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

All: Gracious God, in the Baptism of our Lord Jesus in the Jordan River, You affirmed Him as Your beloved Son. Grant that we, Your beloved children, ever remain connected to Christ and live each day in our baptismal grace as we await the joy of life in Your eternal presence. This we ask for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P** *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*
- G** **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 42:1–9

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- L** This is the Word of the Lord. **G** 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. **G** 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

Matthew 3:13–17

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

G Glory to You, O Lord.

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

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

YOUTH MESSAGE

[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]

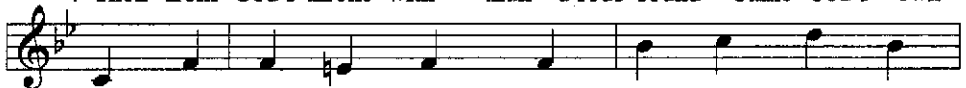
HYMN OF THE DAY

To Jordan's River Came Our Lord

LSB 405



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

SERMON**"CONNECTED TO CHRIST"****Romans 6:1-11**

- I. Before we were baptized, we were dead in our trespasses.
- II. But now, through baptism, we have "newness of life."

☪ CATECHISM**The Third Article and Baptism**

- [P]** *The First Sunday after the Epiphany is traditionally celebrated as the day we commemorate the Baptism of Our Lord. Today we confess the words of the Apostles' Creed regarding the work of the Holy Spirit and also speak the words from Luther's Small Catechism regarding the work of the Spirit through Baptism.*
- [C]** **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.**
- [P]** *As the Holy Spirit works through the Means of Grace, we ask, "How can the water used in Holy Baptism do such great things?"*
- [C]** **Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three: "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying."**

☪ OFFERING**"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"****by Max Reger****☪ OFFERTORY****When All the World Was Cursed****LSB 346**

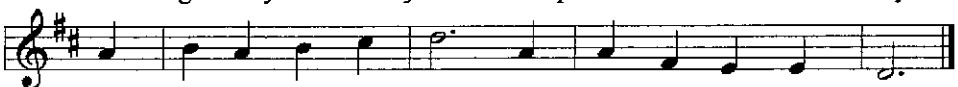
1 When all the world was cursed By Mo-ses' con-dem-na - tion,
 4 O grant, dear Lord of love, That we re-ceive, re-joic - ing,



Saint John the Bap - tist came With words of con - so - la - tion.
 The word pro-claimed by John, Our true re - pen-tance voic - ing,



With true fore - run - ner's zeal The great - er One he named,
 That glad - ly we may walk Up - on our Sav - ior's way



And Him, as yet un - known, As Sav - ior he pro - claimed.
 Un - til we live with Him In His e - ter - nal day.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH [congregation sings hymn responses]

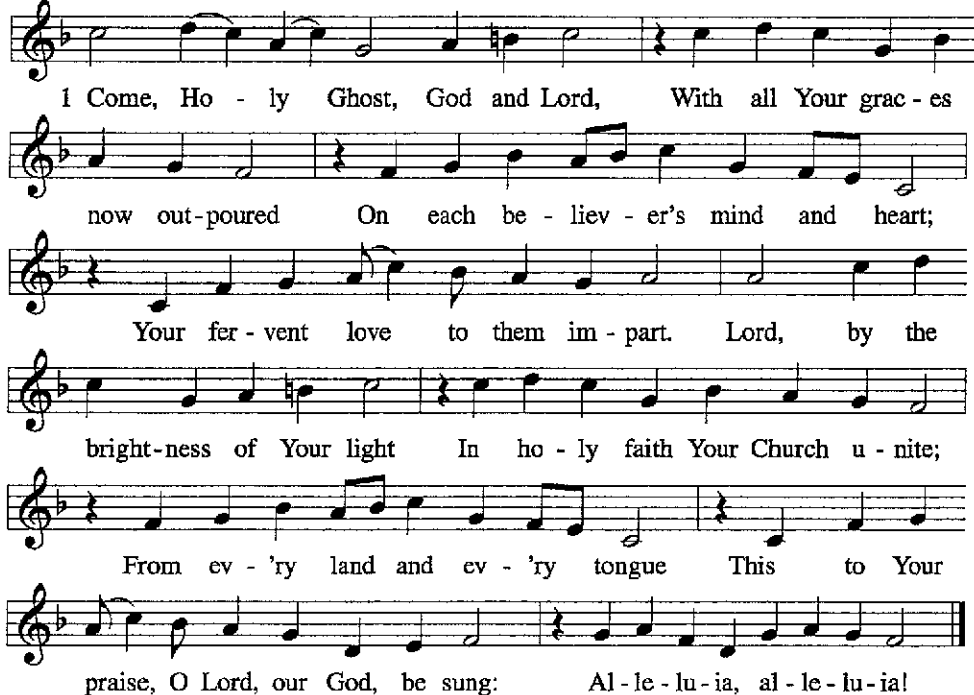
P *With trusting hearts we bring our prayers and petitions to our gracious God, confident of His willingness to hear us in this time of holy conversation.*



1 In ho-ly con-ver - sa - tion We speak to God in prayer,
And at His in - vi - ta - tion Our deep-est thoughts we share.
We come, His will o - bey - ing, As chil-dren bring - ing needs;
And to sup - port our pray - ing, His Spir - it in - ter - ced - es.

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P *O Lord, we pray for the Church, asking that through her the joyous news of salvation be proclaimed as the Holy Spirit directs. Grant us an appreciation of the worldwide nature of the fellowship that we share in Christ, that we see in each sister and brother in Christ a reflection of Your glory.*



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, God and Lord, With all Your grac - es
now out-poured On each be - liev - er's mind and heart;
Your fer - vent love to them im - part. Lord, by the
bright-ness of Your light In ho - ly faith Your Church u - nite;
From ev - 'ry land and ev - 'ry tongue This to Your
praise, O Lord, our God, be sung: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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P *Lord of all, watch over our nation and grant Your divine favor to all who bear office in our land, especially the president and congress of the United States, the governor and legislature of this state, and to all those who make, administer, and judge our laws. Help them to serve all those in their care according to Your holy will that we live in peace and safety.*

1 God bless our na - tive land; Firm may she ev - er stand
Through storm and night. When the wild tem - pests rave, Rul - er of
wind and wave, Do Thou our coun - try save By Thy great might. Public domain

P *Remove from us all hatred and prejudice, give us the spirit of love, and order our days in Your peace. Prosper the labor of those who work to bring peace and justice to the nations of the world, that mutual understanding and common endeavor may be increased among all peoples.*

1 Lord of all na - tions, grant me grace
To love all peo - ple, ev - 'ry race;
And in each per - son may I see
My kin - dred, loved, re - deemed by Thee.

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P *As we bring our prayers, O King of heaven, we remember those with special needs who desire our petitions. By Your Word and Holy Spirit, comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [especially . . .]. Bring consolation to those in sorrow, and grant to all a measure of Your love, taking them into Your tender care.*

2 O sweet - est Love, Your grace on us be - stow;
Set our hearts with sa - cred fire a - glow

That with hearts u - nit - ed we love each oth - er, Ev - 'ry
 strang - er, sis - ter, and broth - er. Lord, have mer - cy!

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P *All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, holy Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. [Tune: Our Father, Who from Heaven Above; LSB 766]*

9. Amen, that is, so shall it be.
 Make strong our faith in You, that we
 May doubt not but with trust believe
 That what we ask we shall receive.
 Thus in Your name and at Your Word
 We say, "Amen, O hear us, Lord!"

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LORD'S PRAYER

P *O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*

C **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.**

BENEDICTION

P *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

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

LSB 411

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
 3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.
 I want to look at Je - sus.
 I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world.
 Clear Sun of Right - teous - ness, shine on my path,
 When we have run with pa - tience the race,

The star of my life is Je - sus.
 And show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 We shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain
 In Him there is no dark - ness at all.
 The night and the day are both a - like.
 The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.
 Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

“A Song of Joy”

by John E. Boalt

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THE LUTHERAN HOUR MESSAGE **KOA 850 AM: Sunday @ 6:00 am**

January 19: “Unforgettable”; Dr. Dean Nadasdy; Guest Speaker

New Series – We might forget names and faces, dates and places, but God remembers those who are His through faith in Christ. To God, they are unforgettable. Dr. Dean Nadasdy says, as we remember Jesus in faith, even more so does God remember us. (Genesis 40:1-23)

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