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BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Order of Worship –9:00 AM

AS WE GATHER – *Jesus begins His active earthly ministry taking His place right alongside us in the water of His Baptism. There He laid aside His own divine powers to take on our powerlessness so that, enabled by the Holy Spirit, He could take on our sin and death into Himself to destroy it by His atoning death on the cross and victorious resurrection. Now to all who are baptized in His name He gives the power of His holiness and gift of eternal life. The Spirit, the Word, and yes, the water is our connection with His life, and by faith in Him, we are already citizens of our heavenly home even before we get there in body and soul. What confidence is ours to live by God's power and grace.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC “Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)” by Carol Tornquist

WELCOME

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

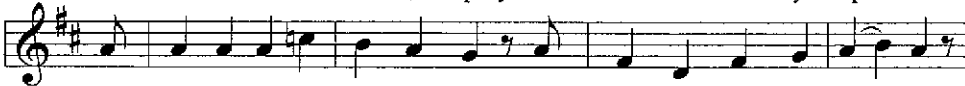
♩OPENING HYMN

All Who Believe and Are Baptized

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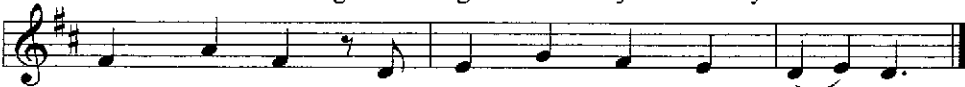
1 All who be - lieve and are bap - tized Shall see the Lord's sal - va - tion;
2 With one ac - cord, O God, we pray: Grant us Your Ho - ly Spir - it.



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 -



heav'n - ly band Of ev - 'ry tribe and na - tion.
ment we may E - ter - nal life in - her - it.

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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the \mp Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
C **Amen.**
P *With these words you are baptized into Christ and given the new birth of water and the Spirit.*
C **So shall we stand in faith without fear now and forever.**

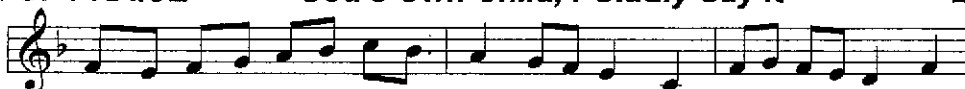
CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P** *Yet even as God's people in this world, when we examine our hearts and consciences, we find that we daily struggle against our weakness and sin that so easily besets us. Therefore, let us confess our sin to God, our merciful Father.*
C **God our Father, though You have made us Your own possession by our Baptism into Christ, still we struggle to live as Your redeemed children in this fallen world. Therefore, we confess our sin and weakness to You and in repentance pray You of Your mercy to forgive our sins and grant us Your grace and strength.**
P *Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the \mp Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life \mp everlasting.*
C **Amen.**

INTROIT

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

- P** *Behold my servant, whom I uphold,*
C **my chosen, in whom my soul delights.**
P *I will tell of the decree:*
C **The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.**
P *Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,*
C **and the ends of the earth your possession.**
P *You shall break them with a rod of iron*
C **and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."**
P *Now therefore, O kings, be wise;*
C **be warned, O rulers of the earth.**
P *Serve the LORD with fear,*
C **and rejoice with trembling,**
P *for his wrath is quickly kindled.*
C **Blessèd 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,*
C **my chosen, in whom my soul delights.**



1 God's own child, I gladly 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:



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-ure. Though my flesh a-



treas-ures 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-king 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!

SALUTATION AND COLLECT 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 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

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

L *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

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, alleluia! You are My beloved Son; with You I am well pleased. Alleluia, 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.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

To Jordan's River Came Our Lord

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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

"ONE DAY IN THE JORDAN"

Luke 3:21-22

- I. Jesus didn't need to be baptized, since He is not a sinner.
- II. But in His baptism, Jesus identifies with us in every way.

ⲁPOSTLE'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.

ⲠOFFERING

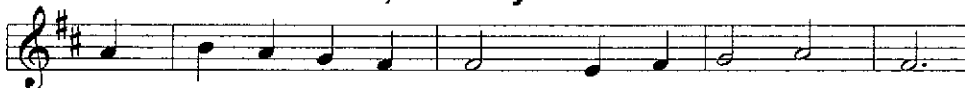
"O Jesus, So Sweet"

by Wilbur Held

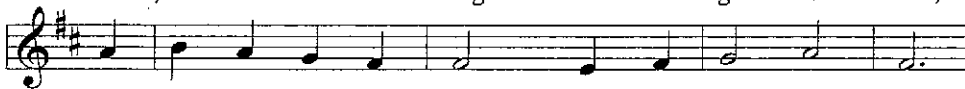
ⲁOFFERTORY

"Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

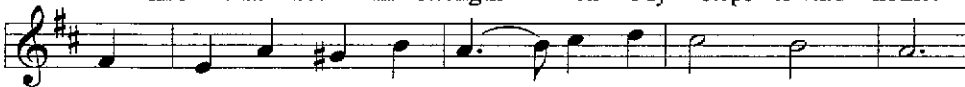
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1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
 2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,
 3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
 For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
 I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
 Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
 Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** *Gracious and merciful God, as the heavens were opened at the Baptism of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, so You have opened the very heavens to us as Your baptized people. Give to us the confidence of faith and the power of Your love that we may live as Your children even now amid the changes of this fallen world, ever rejoicing in Your constant mercy and grace. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Grant Your constant blessing upon Your whole Church. Give wisdom and confidence to all pastors and servants of Your Word and faithfulness and love to all Your people that Your truth may sound forth and prevail in our lives and through our service in the world. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Preserve our nation in the ways of righteousness and peace. Guide the leaders of all nations to pursue justice and peace. Guard and protect all who serve in the armed forces of our country, [especially . . .], and all who protect us in our land. Grant to all faithfulness in their service. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Comfort and help all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or adversity, [especially . . .]. Have mercy on all to whom death draws near. Sustain and bless all who care for those who suffer. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served You in Your Church on earth, who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints and bring us at last to the joys of Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.*
- C** **Amen.**

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

Numbers 6:24-26

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.

G Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering

LSB 600



1 Mark how the Lamb of God's self - of - f'ring Our hu - man
2 From this as - sur - ance of God's fa - vor Je - sus goes
3 Grant us, O God, the strength and cour - age To live the



sin - ful - ness takes on In the birth - wa - ters of the
to the wil - der - ness, There to en - dure a time of
faith our lips de - clare; Bless us in our bap - tis - mal



Jor - dan As Je - sus is bap - tized by John.
test - ing. That read - ied Him to teach and bless.
call - ing; Christ's roy - al priest - hood help us share.



Hear how the voice from heav - en thun - ders, "Lo,
So we, by wa - ter and the Spir - it Bap -
Turn us from ev - 'ry false al - le - giance, That



this is My be - lov - ed Son." See how in dove - like
tized in - to Christ's min - is - try, Are of - ten led to
we may trust in Christ a - lone: Raise up in us a



form the Spir - it De - scends on God's A - noint - ed One.
paths of ser - vice Through maz - es of ad - ver - si - ty.
cho - sen peo - ple Trans - formed by love to be Your own.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Birthday: Ty Large]

POSTLUDE

"A Hymn of Glory"

by Edward Broughton

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WE WISH TO THANK the following for their participation in our worship service this morning:

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Altar Guild Elsie Leiker & Marisa Showalter
Counters..... Brian Albee & Valerie Klein
Greeter Betty Adam
Lay Reader..... Devin Monasmith
Organist / Music Director..... Beth Buss
Service Web Recorder Robert Showalter
Service Live Streaming Dave Adam
Ushers**Phil Vandre, *Naomi Kettner, Cameron Hatton, Brad Meythaler
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