# The Divine Service

The Baptism of Our Lord January 9, 2022



#### **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.

# WORDS OF WELCOME/THEME OF THE DAY

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Pastor:

In the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People:

Amen.

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor:

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People:

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy

name. Amen.

Pastor:

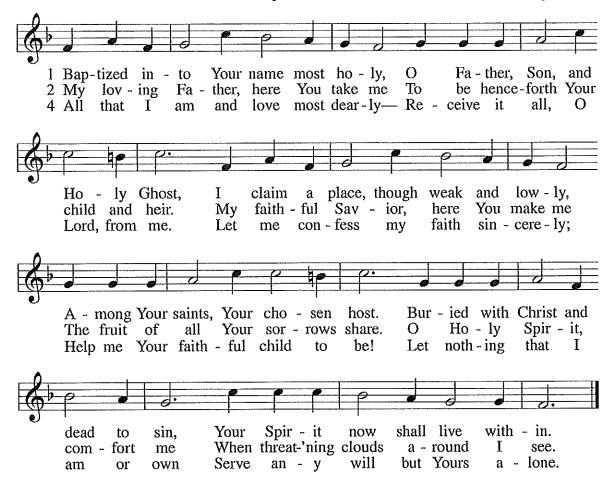
In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the

day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People:

Amen.

# PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Baptized into Your Name Most Holy" LSB 590, verses 1,2,4



#### GREETING

Pastor:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of

the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People:

And also with you.

**KYRIE** 

LSB 152

**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



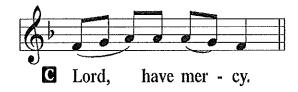
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



## THIS IS THE FEAST



# **SALUTATION**

2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
4 People: And with thy spirit.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor:

Let us pray. 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.

People:

Amen.

# THE OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 43:1-7

Reader:

¹But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, 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, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. ⁵Fear not, 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 up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, reveryone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Reader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

#### **EPISTLE**

Romans 6:1-11

Reader:

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We 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. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁵For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁵Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁵We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹oFor the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

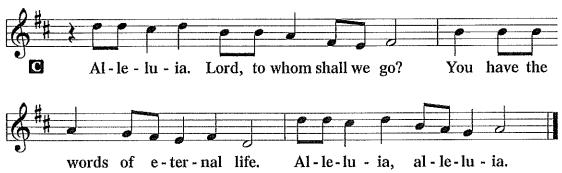
Reader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE



## **HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 3:15-22

Pastor:

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the third chapter.

People:

Glory be the Thee, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup>As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." <sup>18</sup>So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup>But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, <sup>20</sup>added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison. <sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit

baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup> and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven,

"You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Pastor:

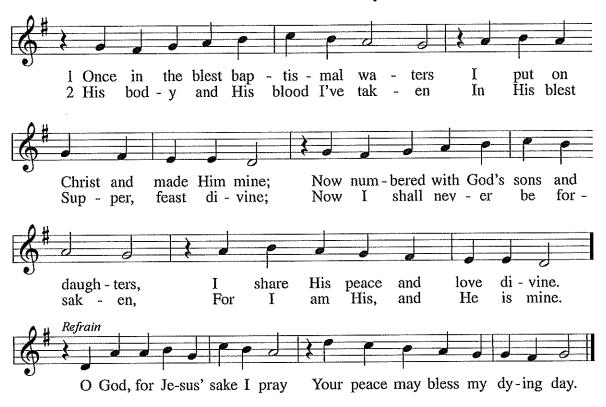
This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People:

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.



LSB 598, verses 1 & 2



**SERMON** 

"The Baptism of Jesus"

Pastor Scott Henze

#### APOSTLES' CREED

People:

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 thence 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 (中) everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Petitions end, "Lord in your mercy" Congregation responds, "Hear Our Prayer"

#### **OFFERING**

# **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Pastor: Let us pray: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day

by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us, through

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People: Amen.

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand as you are able.

# **PREFACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

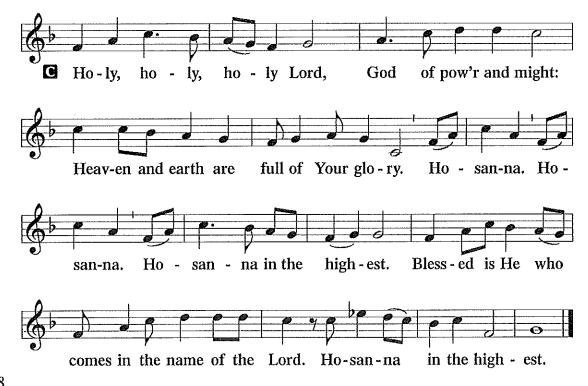
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

#### **SANCTUS**



A word about Holy Communion:
We welcome to the Lord's Table all
baptized Christians who believe in the
Real Presence of Christ in this
sacrament and believe that in this
eating and drinking, we receive the
forgiveness of sins and the power to
amend our sinful lives. Children who
have not yet been instructed may
come forward for a blessing, crossing
their arms over the chest thus indicating

they will not receive the elements.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor:

Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

People:

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.

# WORDS OF INSTITUTION

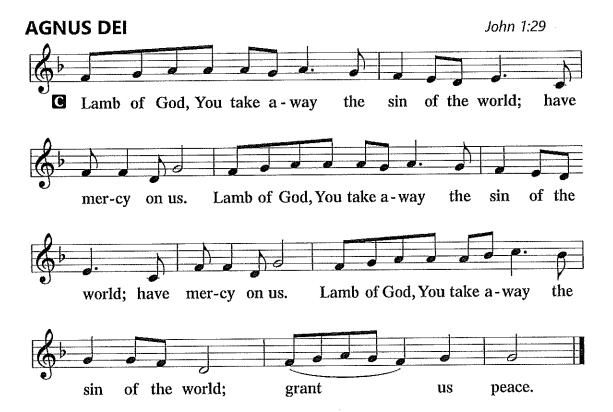
## PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People:

And also with you.





And dis-tress us,

For You teach us

Life for - ev - er,



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Keeps us Yours and fails

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God's own love through You has reached

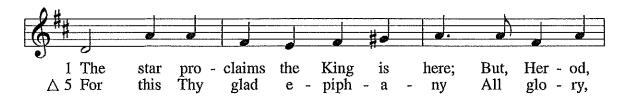
#### POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

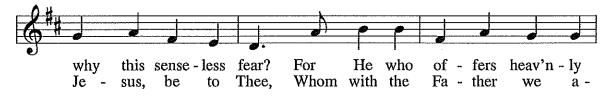
Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **BENEDICTION**

RECESSIONAL HYMN "The Star Proclaims the King Is Here" LSB 399, verses 1 & 5







#### DISMISSAL

Pastor: Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as....

People: Disciples making disciples.

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

If you have a prayer request we invite you to come up to the altar following the worship service to pray with someone from our prayer team.