



THE BAPTISM OF JESUS

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Baptism of Our Lord

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PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

"How Great Thou Art"

LSB 801

Verse 1

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee.
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

Verse 2

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]

Verse 3

But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in--
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin; [Refrain]

Verse 4

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!" [Refrain]

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father,

C: 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.

P: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for us and for his sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by his command, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PSALM OF THE DAY

(from Psalm 2)

P: Lord, have mercy.

C: Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

P: Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

C: I will tell of the decree: 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, and the ends of the earth your possession.

C: You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

P: Now, therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

C: Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling, for his wrath is quickly kindled. But 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Take My Life and Let It Be" LSB 783

Verse 1

Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless
praise.

Verse 2

Take my hands and let them
move
At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Verse 3

Take my voice and let me sing
Always, only for my King;
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.

Verse 4

Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

Verse 5

Take my will and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

Verse 6

Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 1:1-5

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. ³And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 6:1-11

¹ What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ 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. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We 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. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

All: Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 1st chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:4-11

⁴ John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶ Now John

was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸ I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." ⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY *"All Christians Who Have Been Baptized"* LSB 596

Verse 1

All Christians who have been baptized,
Who know the God of heaven,
And in whose daily life is prized
The name of Christ once given:
Consider now what God has done,
The gifts He gives to ev'ryone
Baptized into Christ Jesus!

Verse 2

You were before your day of birth,
Indeed, from your conception,
Condemned and lost with all the earth,
None good, without exception.
For like your parents' flesh and blood,
Turned inward from the highest good,
You constantly denied Him.

Verse 3

But all of that was washed away—
Immersed and drowned forever.
The water of your Baptism day
Restored again whatever
Old Adam and his sin destroyed
And all our sinful selves employed
According to our nature.

Verse 4

In Baptism we now put on Christ—
Our shame is fully covered
With all that He once sacrificed
And freely for us suffered.
For here the flood of His own blood
Now makes us holy, right, and good
Before our heav'nly Father.

Verse 5

O Christian, firmly hold this gift
And give God thanks forever!
It gives the power to uplift
In all that you endeavor.
When nothing else revives your soul,
Your Baptism stands and makes you whole
And then in death completes you.

Verse 6

So use it well! You are made new—
In Christ a new creation!
As faithful Christians, live and do
Within your own vocation,
Until that day when you possess
His glorious robe of righteousness
Bestowed on you forever!

MESSAGE

APOSTLE'S CREED

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you his peace.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN *"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"* LSB 685

Verse 1

Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow His example pure,
Flee the world, which would deceive us
And to sin our souls allure.
Ever in His footsteps treading,
Body here, yet soul above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, abide with me;
Savior, lead, I follow Thee.

Verse 2

Let us suffer here with Jesus,
To His image, e'er conform;
Heaven's glory soon will please us,
Sunshine follow on the storm.
Though we sow in tears of sorrow,
We shall reap with heavenly joy;
And the fears that now annoy
Shall be laughter on the morrow.
Christ, I suffer here with Thee;
There, oh, share Thy joy with me!

Verse 3

Let us also die with Jesus.
His death from the second death,
From our soul's destruction, frees us,
Quickens us with life's glad breath.
Let us mortify, while living,
Flesh and blood and die to sin;
And the grave that shuts us in
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here I die to Thee
There to live eternally.

Verse 4

Let us gladly live with Jesus;
Since He's risen from the dead,
Death and grave must soon release us.
Jesus, Thou art now our Head,
We are truly Thine own members;
Where Thou livest, there live we.
Take and own us constantly,
Faithful Friend, as Thy dear brethren.
Jesus, here I live to Thee,
Also there eternally.

POSTSERVICE MUSIC

+TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY+

Our Week With God

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| Sunday: | 8:00 AM | Worship |
| | | No Sunday School but Youth Group and Adult Bible Study |
| | 10:30 AM | Worship |
| Wednesday | 6:30 PM | Confirmation Instruction |
| Sunday: | 8:00 AM | Worship |
| | 9:15 AM | Virtual Sunday School and Adult Bible Study |
| | 10:30 AM | Worship |

Church Announcements for This Week!

Worship With Us Each Week

All are welcome to join us for worship each week. We are following the safety guidelines that are put out by the government and health officials to make sure all are as safe as they can be. If you are not comfortable joining us in person. We also live-stream our 8 AM worship service on our Facebook page and church website. We post these services to our YouTube channel shortly after the service is completed. We are also recording our services, so if you would like a digital copy on DVD or flash drive just let us know.

Financial Update

Financially we have had some highs and some lows. Our spending has outpaced our offerings by approximately \$41,000. Our giving has been steady, but not quite up to where we usually are. Our expenses have stayed about the same. Even if no one is in the building we still have an electric bill, the lawn still needs to be mowed and our employees need to be paid. As bleak as this looks, we were fortunate enough to receive a Payroll Protection Loan for \$31,000. This brings our shortfall to right around \$10,000. We truly appreciate all the offerings that you send in. We ask that you

continue to do so, or if possible increase a little bit so we can end the year on a positive note. Remember you can give offerings in person at church on Sunday, drop them off at church, mail them to church, or give online through the link on our webpage. Thank you again for all your support.

New Scrip Fundraiser

Thank you to all who purchased your Christmas Gift cards through the Scrip Program. With your help we raised well over \$500 that will go to close the operating shortfall that we are facing. The great news is that this fundraiser is ongoing! You can buy gift cards through the program and the church will receive a portion of the proceeds. There are hundreds of gift cards available for purchase. If you know you are going to make a large purchase you can buy a gift card and use that to make your purchase and the church will receive a percentage back from the company. You can even do this with many grocery stores to purchase your food or even hotels and airline tickets. The cards are shipped either to the church, right to your house, or for some, you can get an e-gift card. Follow the instructions below to get started. Download the free Raiseright app, or go to www.shopwithscrip.com use enrollment code 24L3EC4D75957.

Adult Bible Study & Sunday School Update

With the start of a new calendar year, that means that Christian Education will be starting back up. Today the online adult Bible study with Pastor will have a new lesson posted on Facebook around 9:15 AM. Sunday School will start again on January 17th. Sunday school will be going back to the format that was at the start of the year with each lesson containing a Bible story, Object lesson, Craft, Pastor and Joe will probably be doing a skit each week and other activities to enhance the lesson. Each lesson will be posted on the Bitmoji classroom link that will be emailed out to parents each week. Plans are being finalized now and materials will be made available if needed!



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