

Baptism of Our Lord ***First Sunday after Epiphany***

January 9, 2022 10:30 a.m.



Baptism of Christ ~ Vladimir Zagitov

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Order of Worship

I Want To Walk as a Child of Light

Rachel C.

Words of Welcome and Introduction

Confession

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Forgiveness

In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

As with Gladness Men of Old

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As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious Lord, may we
Evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped,
Savior, to thy lowly bed,
There to bend the knee before thee
Whom heav'n and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek thy mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare
At thy cradle, rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee, our heav'nly king.

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Response: *And also with you.*

Canticle of Praise

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Refrain:**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**

Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain,
Whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength,
And honor and blessing and glory are his. **Refrain:**

Sing with all the people of God
And join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor and glory and might
To God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God,
For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia. Alleluia.



Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading – Isaiah 43:1-7

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: *Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When 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. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, “Give them up,” and to the south, “Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”*

Word of God, Word of Life.

Response: Thanks be to God!

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Psalm 29

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

Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.

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

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

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

The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

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

The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

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

May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

Second Reading – Acts 8:14-17

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Response: *Thanks be to God!*

Gospel Acclamation

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

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Gospel – Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Response: *Glory to You, O Lord.*

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, *I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals.*

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He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven,
You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: *Praise to you, O Christ.*

Sermon

Walking Wet

Pr. Mandsager

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

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Hail to the Lord's anointed,
Great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed,
Your reign on earth begun!
You come to break oppression,
To set the captive free,
To take away transgression,
And rule in equity.

You come with rescue speedy
To those who suffer wrong,
To help the poor and needy,
And bid the weak be strong;
To give them songs for sighing,
Their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying,
Are precious in your sight.

You shall come down like showers
Upon the fruitful earth;
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers,
Spring in your path to birth.
Before you on the mountains
Shall peace, the herald, go;
And righteousness in fountains
From hill to valley flow.

Kings shall fall down before you,
And gold and incense bring;
All nations shall adore you,
Your praise all people sing.
To you shall prayer unceasing
And daily vows ascend;
Your kingdom still increasing,
A kingdom without end.

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Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

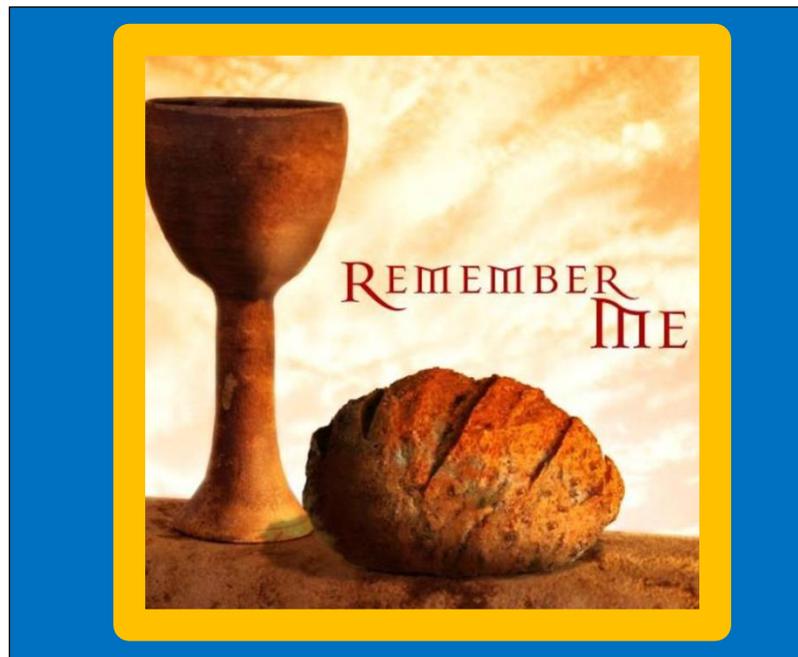
Response: And also with you.

Offertory

Wade in the Water

Lisa D.
Rachel C.

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The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Response: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Response: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Response: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in
the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Invitation

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray.

**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.**

Communion Distribution

Communion Song*Lamb of God*

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Grant us peace, grant us peace.

Prayer

Oh, grant us then, well-strengthened with heav'nly food
while here, our course on earth is lengthened, to serve you
free from fear; and bring us home to praise you where none
can peace destroy, where we will ever raise you glad songs in
endless joy. **Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord's face shine upon
you with grace and mercy; the Lord look upon you with favor
and give you peace. **Amen.**

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

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Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise;
Manifested by the star to the sages from afar,
Branch of royal David's stem in thy birth at Bethlehem:
Anthems be to thee addressed,
God in flesh made manifest.

Manifest at Jordan's stream,
 Prophet, priest, and king supreme;
 And at Cana wedding guest in thy Godhead manifest;
 Manifest in pow'r divine, changing water into wine;
 Anthems be to thee addressed,
 God in flesh made manifest.

Manifest in making whole
 Weakened body, fainting soul;
 Manifest in valiant fight, quelling all the devil's might;
 Manifest in gracious will, ever bringing good from ill:
 Anthems be to thee addressed,
 God in flesh made manifest.

Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
 Present in thy holy word;
 Grace to imitate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;
 That we might become like thee at thy great epiphany,
 And may praise thee, ever blest,
 God in flesh made manifest.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, alt.; **Music:** Jakob Hintze.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

*Break Forth,
 O Beauteous, Heavenly Light*

Rachel C.



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