



**BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**

Thursday, January 9, 2025 | 7:00 PM

Sunday, January 12, 2025 | 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

**THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*ELW—Evangelical Lutheran Worship*

**P**—Pastor **C**—Congregation **L**—Leader

**PRELUDE:** “Partita on “Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized”.....Johann Gotfried Walther

**WELCOME**

*Please stand.*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

**C** Amen.

**P** God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection.*

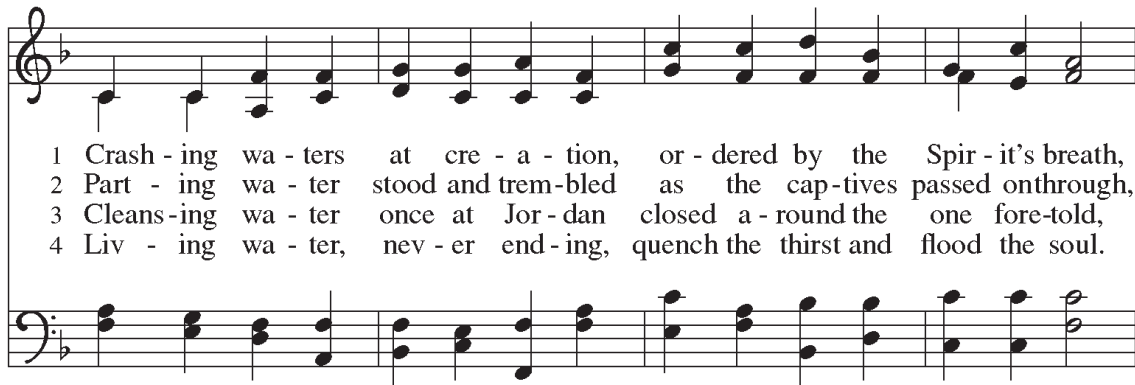
**P** Most merciful God,

**C** we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

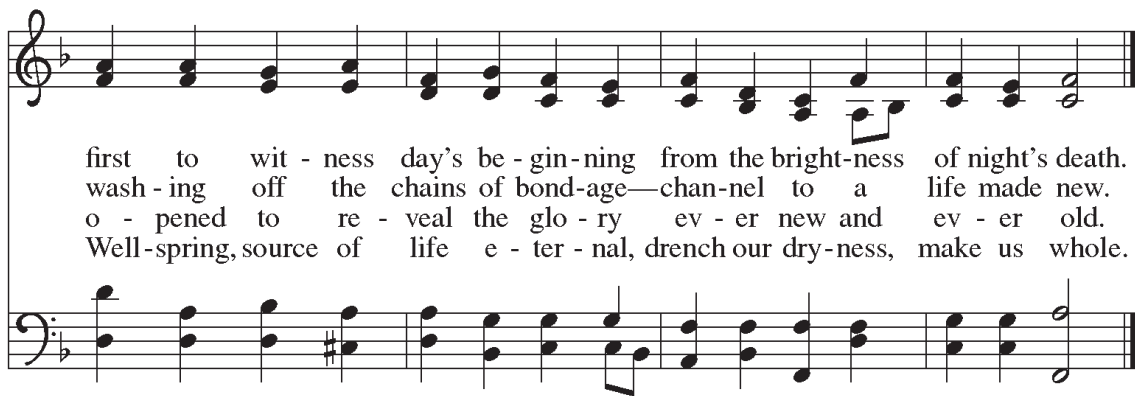
**P** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and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

**C** Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: ELW 455, "Crashing Waters at Creation" .....STUTTGART



1 Crash - ing wa - ters at cre - a - tion, or - dered by the Spir - it's breath,  
2 Part - ing wa - ter stood and trem - bled as the cap - tives passed on through,  
3 Cleans - ing wa - ter once at Jor - dan closed a - round the one fore - told,  
4 Liv - ing wa - ter, nev - er end - ing, quench the thirst and flood the soul.



first to wit - ness day's be - gin - ning from the bright - ness of night's death.  
wash - ing off the chains of bond - age—chan - nel to a life made new.  
o - pened to re - veal the glo - ry ev - er new and ev - er old.  
Well - spring, source of life e - ter - nal, drench our dry - ness, make us whole.

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**GREETING**

- P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C** And also with you.

**HYMN OF PRAISE (10:30am)**



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
 you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;  
 you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.  
 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,  
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

**SALUTATION**

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- P** 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.
- C** Amen.

*Please be seated.*

**FIRST READING.....Isaiah 43:1-7**

<sup>1</sup> But now thus says the Lord, who created you, O Jacob, the One who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup> 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. <sup>5</sup> Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; <sup>6</sup> 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—<sup>7</sup> everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

☐ The word of the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29 (7pm/8am) *All are invited to recite the verses together.*

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ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup>Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God’s name;

worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

<sup>3</sup>The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;

the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup>The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;

the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

<sup>5</sup>The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;

the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

<sup>6</sup>the Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf,

and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

<sup>7</sup>The voice of the Lord

bursts forth in lightning flashes.

<sup>8</sup>The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;

the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

<sup>9</sup>The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, “Glory!”

<sup>10</sup>The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;

the Lord sits enthroned as king forevermore.

<sup>11</sup>O Lord, give strength to your people;

give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace.

PSALM 29 (10:30am) *The choir will sing the refrain, then all are invited to repeat it. The choir will sing the verses, and all are invited to sing the refrain as indicated.*



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**SECOND READING**.....Acts 8:14-17

<sup>14</sup> Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup> The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup> (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). <sup>17</sup> Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

- L** The word of the Lord.
- G** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*(7:00pm/8:00am) The alleluias are sung once by all.*

*(10:30am) The congregation will sing the alleluias.*

*Then the choir will sing the verse, and the congregation is invited to sing the alleluias again.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Choir** A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." **Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL.....Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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

☑ Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup> As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup> 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. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup> 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.” <sup>21</sup> Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup> 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.

☑ Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

SERMON.....Pastor Erdos

*Silence for Reflection*

*Please stand.*

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 305, “When Jesus Came to Jordan”.....KING’S LYNN



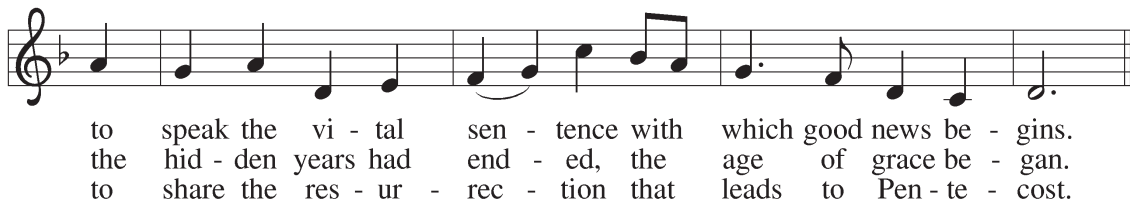
1 When Je - sus came to Jor - dan to be bap-tized by John,  
2 He came to share temp - ta - tion, our ut - most woe and loss,  
3 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, aid us to keep the vows we make;



he did not come for par - don but as the Sin - less One.  
for us and our sal - va - tion to die up - on the cross.  
this ver - y day in - vade us, and ev - 'ry bond-age break.



He came to share re - pen - tance with all who mourn their sins,  
So when the dove de - scend - ed on him, the Son of Man,  
Come, give our lives di - rec - tion, the gift we cov - et most:



to speak the vi - tal sen - tence with which good news be - gins.  
 the hid - den years had end - ed, the age of grace be - gan.  
 to share the res - ur - rec - tion that leads to Pen - te - cost.

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 Music: KING'S LYNN, English folk tune  
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*Please be seated.*

## ORDER FOR HOLY BAPTISM (10:30am)

- P** This morning we celebrate the baptism of Scarlett Lynn Osten and Chase Matthew Hile.
- P** In Holy Baptism our gracious God liberates us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; in the waters of Baptism we are reborn children of God and inheritors of eternal life. By water and the Holy Spirit we are made members of the Church which is the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

*A sponsor presents the candidate.*

- R** I present Scarlett and Chase to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.
- P** As you bring your children to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with certain responsibilities: to live with them among God's faithful people, bring them to the services of God's house and the holy supper, teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in their hands the holy scriptures, and nurture them in faith and prayer, so that your children may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help your children grow in the Christian faith and life?
- R** We do.
- P** People of God, do you promise to support these children and their families and pray for them in their new life in Christ?
- C** We do.
- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**P** Holy and loving God, we give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth. By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things.

By the waters of the flood you condemned the wicked and saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. You led Israel by the pillar of cloud and fire through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection your beloved Son has set us free from the bondage to sin and death, and has opened the way to the joy and freedom of everlasting life. He made water a sign of the kingdom and of cleansing and rebirth. In obedience to his command, we make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that those who are here baptized may be given new life. Wash away the sin of all those who are cleansed by this water and bring them forth as inheritors of your glorious kingdom. To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Please stand.*

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

**P** I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we baptize.

**P** Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**R** We renounce them.

**P** Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**R** We renounce them.

**P** Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**R** We renounce them.

**P** Do you believe in God the Father?

**C** We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C** We believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.



**P** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C** We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Please be seated.*

## BAPTISM

**P** Scarlett and Chase, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your children from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon Scarlett and Chase: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence.

**C** Amen.

**P** Scarlett and Chase, children of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**P** Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

**P** Let us pray:

O God, the giver of all life, look with kindness upon the father and mother of these children. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for their children. Strengthen them in their own Baptism, through Jesus Christ.

**C** Amen.

## WELCOME

**P** Through Baptism God has made these new brothers and sisters members of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus, that we may proclaim the praise of God and bear God's creative and redeeming Word to all the world.

**C** We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand.*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- ☐ Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs . . .
- ☐ Lord in your mercy,
- ☑ **Hear our prayer.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

- ☐ The peace of Christ be with you always.
- ☑ **And also with you.**

*People greet each other saying: “Peace be with you.”*

*(10:30am) Please be seated.*

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## OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:30am): “Walk in the Light” .....André Thomas

*Refrain:* Walk in the light, beautiful light, come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.  
Shine all around us by day and by night, Jesus, the Light of the world.

Hark! The herald angels sing, Jesus, the Light of the world; “Glory to the new-born King,”  
Jesus, the Light of the world. *Refrain*

Hail the heav’n-born Prince of Peace! Jesus, the Light of the world; Christ, the everlasting Lord!  
Jesus, the Light of the world. *Refrain*

*(10:30am) Please stand.*

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

- ☐ God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Strength and our Song.
- ☑ **Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

- ☐ The Lord be with you.
- ☑ **And also with you.**
  
- ☐ Lift up your hearts.
- ☑ **We lift them to the Lord.**

- Ⓟ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- Ⓞ It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Ⓟ God of hope, in your Son's baptism at the Jordan we see your creative and liberating purpose at work amid our human flaws and failures, and we hear anew with hope the promise of your voice. In our own baptism you number us among your saints, created and redeemed for your glory. Through baptism you bury us in death with Christ yet raise us to new life with him forever. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels and archangels, and all the company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending praise:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Ⓟ Blessing God, who sent down your Holy Spirit like a dove upon your Beloved, send your Spirit among us now to sanctify us by your grace. By the power of that same Spirit, make these gifts of bread and wine be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ; who, In the night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Great is the mystery of faith.

Ⓞ Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Ⓟ Blessing God, be close to those who ache for your liberating power in the midst of travails. Visit all who need the healing, forgiving, peacemaking, and restoring touch of your Spirit. Bless all who long to be called beloved, by sibling or parent or spouse or friend or child, and any who are searching for the love that only you can bring, until all stand in your presence, and sing your name, and are enfolded in your embrace, Triune God.

Ⓞ Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

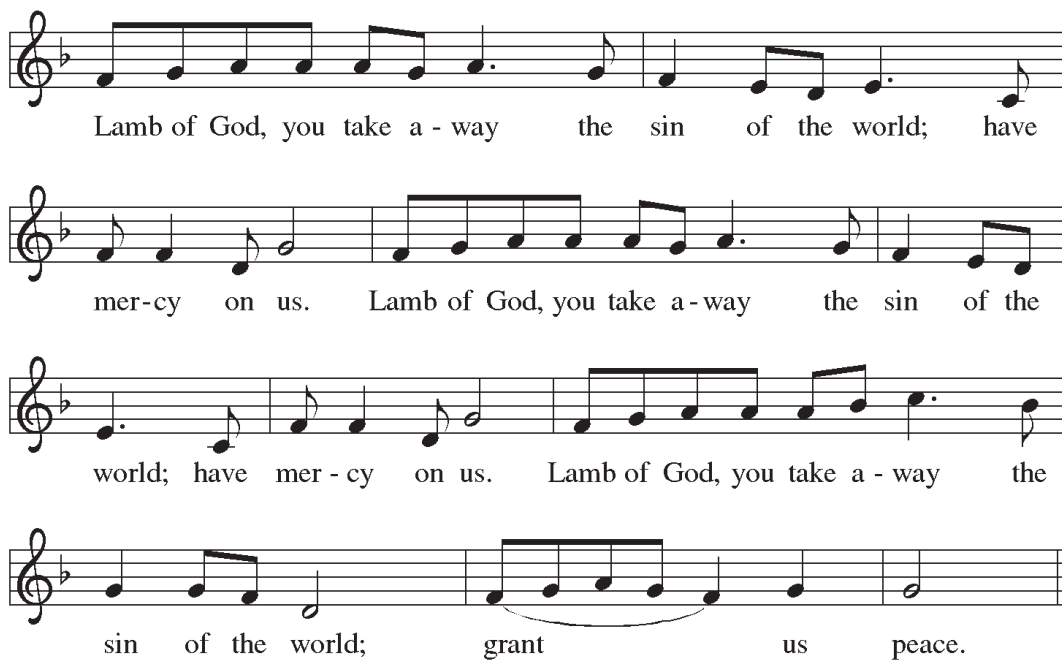
☐ Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

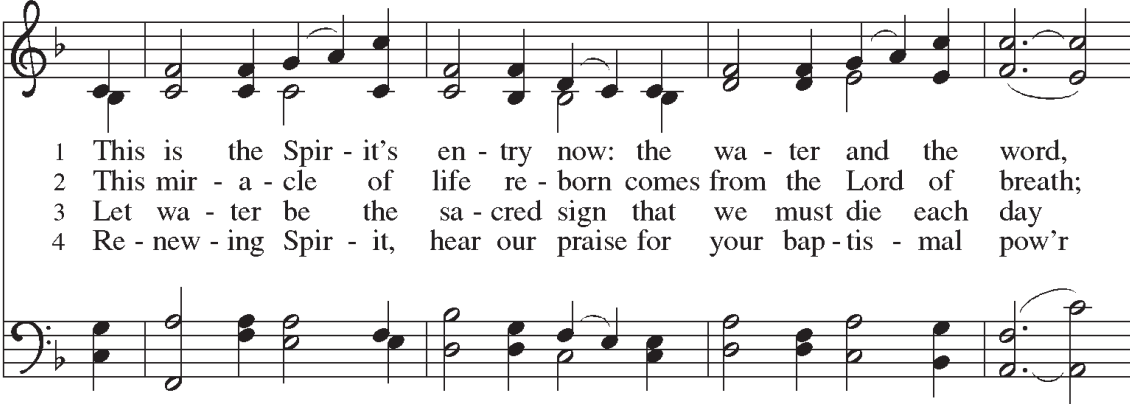
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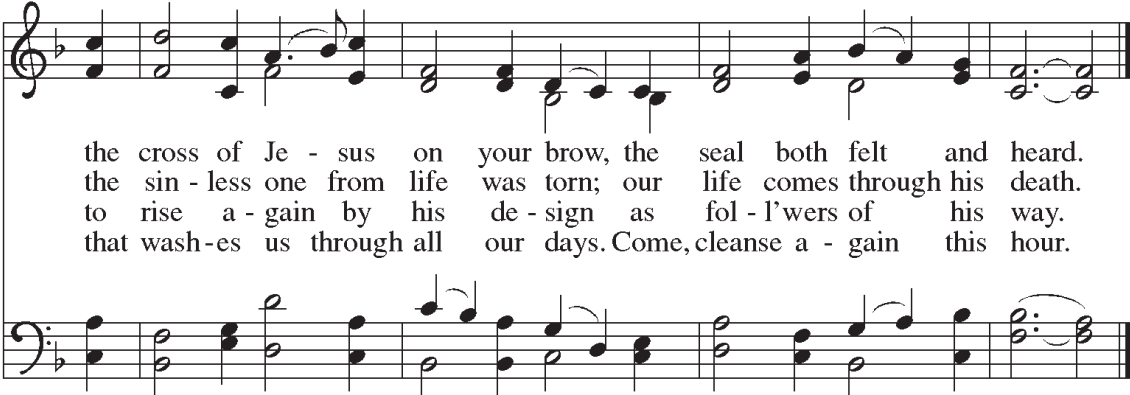


Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 448, "This Is the Spirit's Entry Now".....LAND OF REST



1 This is the Spir - it's en - try now: wa - ter and the word,  
2 This mir - a - cle of life re - born comes from the Lord of breath;  
3 Let wa - ter be the sa - cred sign that we must die each day  
4 Re - new - ing Spir - it, hear our praise for your bap - tis - mal pow'r



the cross of Je - sus on your brow, the seal both felt and heard.  
the sin - less one from life was torn; our life comes through his death.  
to rise a - gain by his de - sign as fol - l'wers of his way.  
that wash - es us through all our days. Come, cleanse a - gain this hour.

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## COMMUNION BLESSING

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.  
**C** Amen.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- P** We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**C** Amen.

## BLESSING

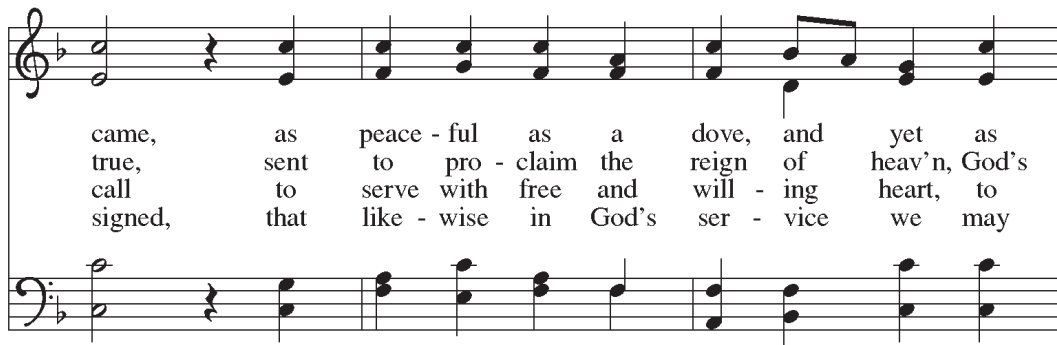
- P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
**C** Amen.

SENDING HYMN: ELW 304, "Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized"

.....LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on you  
2 God called you, "My be - lov - ed Son"; you are God's ser - vant  
3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed the  
4 Bap - tize us with your Spir - it, Lord; your cross on us be



came, as peace - ful as a dove, and yet as  
true, sent to pro - claim the reign of heav'n, God's  
call to serve with free and will - ing heart, to  
signed, that like - wise in God's ser - vice we may



ur - gent as a flame, as ur - gent as a flame.  
ho - ly will to do, God's ho - ly will to do.  
give your life for all, to give your life for all.  
per - fect free - dom find, may per - fect free - dom find.

DISMISSAL

☐ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☑ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: "Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized" BWV 732.....J. S. Bach

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Our appreciation and thanks to those serving in God's house today:

- + Pastor Erdos, Preacher
- + Pastor Lee, Celebrant
- + Deacon Lasits, Intercessor
- + Robert Hobby, Director
- + Daniel Schwandt, Organist
- + Chancel Choir (10:30am)
- + Patricia Menge (8:00am), Nancy Dodd (10:30am); Readers
- + Bill Borgmann, Elizabeth and Mary Ellen Richey; Communion Assistants
- + Mae Hardin, Crucifer
- + Special thanks to today's Ushers, Altar Guild, Video and Audio Production Crew.

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**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Sharon Gerig, Jenny Hobby and Family, Shari, Kathy, Don, Vicki, Keith and Joey Klatt Family, Virginia, Katherine and Greg, Family of Robert Landis, Family of Marlene McDaniel.

**Worship Notes:** As we move into a new liturgical season, our liturgical music will change to reflect this transition. Until Lent, in early March, our worship will include music from setting 3 in the *ELW*.

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