The Baptism of Our Lord Sunday, January 12, 2020



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The Mission of Christ Lutheran Church is to help all people know Jesus as their Savior and grow in relationship with Him.

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DIVINE SERVICE: Setting Four

HYMN "Hail to the Lord's Anointed".....LSB 398

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION and ABOLUTION

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

- P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

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 Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

INTROIT

Ps. 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Is. 42:1a

- *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.

P: Blessèd are all who take refuge in Him.

C: 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, My chosen, in whom My soul delights.

KYRIE Christ, have mer-cy; **C** Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy. GLORIA IN EXCELSIS **C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth: 2 To You, O sole-be got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray; 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord. Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth! Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way. 0 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored; We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt Have mer - cy on crv. You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high— In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT

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.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

¹ Behold My servant, whom I uphold, My chosen, in whom My soul delights; I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the nations. ² He will not cry aloud or lift up His voice, or make it heard in the street; ³ a bruised reed He will not break, and a faintly burning wick He will not guench; He will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴ He will not grow faint or be discouraged till He has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for His law. 5 Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it: 6 "I am the Lord; I have called You in righteousness; I will take You by the hand and keep You; I will give You as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, ⁷ to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. ⁸ I am the Lord; that is My name; My glory I give to no other, nor My praise to carved idols. ⁹ Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

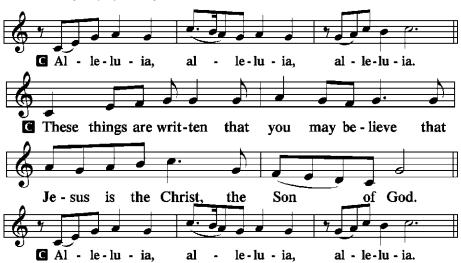
- P: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 42:1-9

EPISTLE READING

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.

P: This is the Word of the Lord. **C:** Thanks be to God.



ALLELUIA and VERSE

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 3rd chapter. **C:** Glory to You, O Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ John would have prevented Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?" ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶ And when Jesus was baptized, immediately He went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on Him; ¹⁷ and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C:** Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN "When All the World Was Cursed" LSB 346

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

GATHERING OF THE OFFERINGS

SACRAMENT 🕸

If you are a confirmed member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation, we invite you to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of an LCMS congregation and would like to come forward with your family and friends during the distribution, please place your hands over your heart and you will receive a blessing.

PREFACE

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally.

Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.

We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

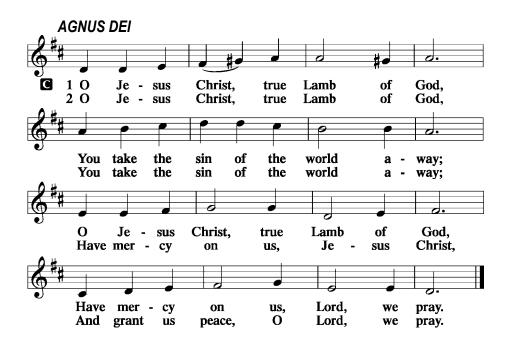
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

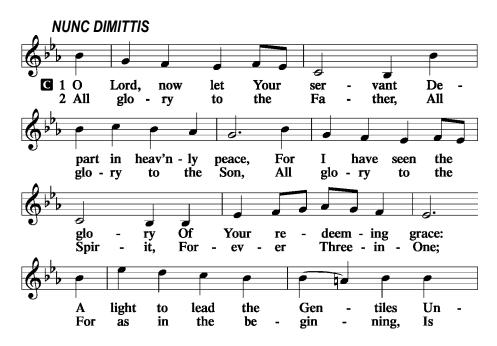
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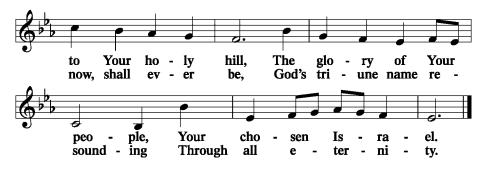
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- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: Amen.



DISTRIBUTION HYMN "To Jordan's River Came Our Lord" LSB 405





POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: 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 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.

C: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN "The Gifts Christ Freely Gives"LSB 602 vs. 1,2,6

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THIS WEEK AT CLC - (1/12/20 - 1/19/20)

Sunday: Worship/HC, 9:00am; Christian Education, 10:30am
 Tuesday: Board of Elders, 6:00pm
 Wednesday: Bible Study, 8:30am; Quilters, 9:30am; 1st year
 Confirmation Class, 5:30pm
 Thursday: Worship/HC, 6:30pm
 Sunday: Worship/HC, 9:00am; Christian Education, 10:30am; New
 Member Potluck

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (Week ending January 5, 2020)

General & Building Funds: \$5522.50; Blessings: \$129.06 Attendance: Thursday: 24; Sunday: 128

CLC ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS AND VISITORS: We are glad you are here! We invite you to join us for fellowship following the service. Bathrooms are located upstairs on each end of the fellowship/Bible study area.

PRO-LIFE SIGNATURE AD: You are invited to participate in the Prolife Signature Ad, which will appear twice in the Wausau Daily Herald (Jan 19 & 22.) Your signature helps let our community know that you believe all human life is precious and should be protected. A donation is asked for each name to pay the cost of the ad. The signature form and collection can are located in the narthex. Thank you for speaking out for the unborn!

We will be observing Life Sunday at CLC on January 26.

LIGHT THE NIGHT FOR THE UNBORN is taking place on Wednesday, January 22, 5:30-6:00. Meet in front of the Court House (500 Forest Street, Wausau.) Signs will be provided. Dress warmly and bring a flashlight. Parking is available near the Court House or the Mall.

A POTLUCK to welcome the new members will be held next Sunday, January 19 following the education hour. Please indicate what you are planning to bring on the sign-up sheet located on the podium in the fellowship hall. Hope to see you there!

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MEDICAL MISSION TRIP - Ann Juliot will be traveling to the Dominican Republic with a group from Aspirus Feb. 19-26 to provide medical care and supplies to the under-served. Please keep the Mission and participants in your prayers. Sheets listing the needed supplies, as well as a box for collecting them can be found near the mailboxes. Thank you for your help!

OPERATION BABY BOTTLE: You may take one of the baby bottles and fill it with coins, bills, or a check. Please have the bottles back at church by Sunday, February 2. All proceeds go to help Hope Life Center.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS FOR CHURCH SERVICES / ACTIVITIES: Please check the Channel 7 or Channel 9 websites, the CLC website or Facebook page, or call the church at 715-848-2040 and press option "6".

CLC BLOOD DRIVE will be taking place on Tuesday, February 4th from 3:30 - 6:00pm in the lower level of the church. A sign-up sheet for donating and helping is located on the podium in the fellowship area. Walk-ins are always welcome. Save a life, donate blood!

THANK YOU to everyone who helped take down the Christmas decorations!

"LIFE QUOTES" from Lutherans For Life

"But the value of children as treasured human beings demonstrated in the ministry of Jesus reflects a God who cherishes the least, the last, and the most vulnerable ... As the Christmas season gives way to Epiphany, Christians around the world are invited to worship the Child Jesus Who was worshipped by kings. And all are invited to wonder and consider the mystery of a faith that proclaims the weakness of God and the foolishness of God to be strength and wisdom. The one who said, 'Suffer the little children and do not hinder them from coming to me' is the God revealed in a Child." *Margaret Manning Shull, Ravi Zacharias International Ministries – (www.lutheransforlife.org)*