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+ THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD +

Service of Prayer and Preaching

January 9, 2022

As We Gather ~ In His Baptism, Jesus Takes His Place with Sinners

Our Lord Jesus is baptized "to fulfill all righteousness" (*Matt. 3:13–17*). He partakes of a baptism for sinners in order that He might be our substitute and bear the judgment we deserve. In the water, Jesus trades places with us. Our sin becomes His sin. His righteousness becomes our righteousness. Our glory, therefore, is in "Christ Jesus, who became to us . . . righteousness and sanctification and redemption" (*1 Cor. 1:26–31*). Jesus is the "chosen" One sent from the Father to release us from the prison house of sin and death (*Is. 42:1–7*). Baptized into Christ, we also become the chosen ones, beloved of the Father. We cross the Jordan with Jesus (*Joshua 3*) through death into the promised land of new life with God.

Hymn "All Who Believe and Are Baptized"

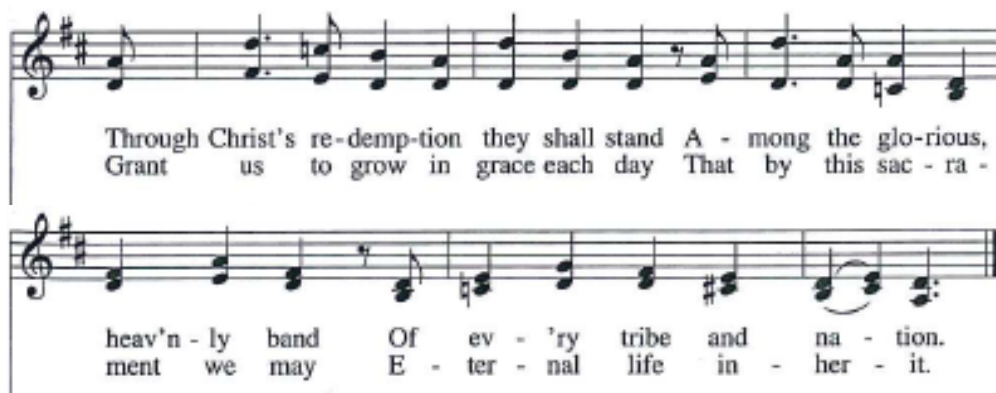
LSB 601



1 All who be - lieve and are bap - tized Shall see the Lord's sal - va - tion;
2 With one ac - cord, O God, we pray: Grant us Your Ho - ly Spir - it.



Bap - tized in - to the death of Christ, They are a new cre - a - tion.
Help us in our in - fir - mi - ty Through Je - sus' blood and mer - it.



Text: Thomas Hansen Kings, 1634–1703; n: George A. T. Rygh, 1860–1942, alt.
Tune: Eilich Cristlich Geler, Wittenberg, 1524; setting: The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941

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Musik 16:16; Cak 2:12–13; Acts 2:36; Rev. 7:13–15

Opening Versicles: Common

LSB 260

L This is the day which the Lord has made;

C **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C **Teach me Your paths.**

L Sanctify us in Your truth.

C **Your Word is truth.**

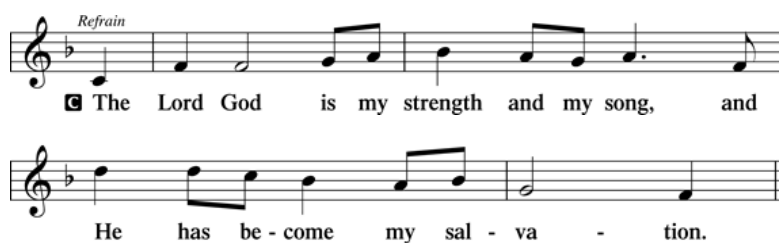
L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

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.**

Old Testament Canticle

LSB 261



With joy will you draw wa - ter from the
wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that
day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,
make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -
claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done
glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the
earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -
hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the
Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son



Reading

Isaiah 42:1–7

- 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 quench;
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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Introit *Psalm 89:1, 26-28; antiphon: Liturgical Text; Psalm 89:20*

Behold the Lord, the ruler, has come,

and the kingdom and the power and the glory are in his hand.

I have found David, my servant;

with my holy oil I have anointed him.

I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever;

with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

He shall cry to me, "You are my Father,

my God, and the Rock of my salvation."

And I will make him the firstborn,

the highest of the kings of the earth.

My steadfast love I will keep for him forever,

and my covenant will stand firm for him.

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.

Behold the Lord, the ruler, has come,

and the kingdom and the power and the glory are in his hand.

I have found David, my servant;

with my holy oil I have anointed him.

Reading

1 Corinthians 1:26–31

26For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. 27But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; 28God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, 29so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. 30He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. 31Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Reading

Matthew 3:13–17

13Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. 14John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” 15But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. 16And 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; 17and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Responsory: Common

LSB 263

L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

Ten Commandments

C **You shall have no other gods.**

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

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 ✠everlasting. 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.

Sermon

'Let Is Be So Now'

Isaiah 42:1-7

Hymn "To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord"

LSB 406

1 To Jor - dan came the Christ, our Lord, To do His
 2 O hear and mark the mes - sage well, For God Him -
 3 These truths on Jor - dan's banks were shown By might - y
 4 There stood the Son of God in love, His grace to
 Fa - ther's plea - sure; Bap - tized by John, the Fa - ther's Word
 self has spo - ken. Let faith, not doubt, a - mong us dwell
 word and won - der. The Fa - ther's voice from heav'n came down,
 us ex - tend - ing; The Ho - ly Spir - it like a dove
 Was giv - en us to trea - sure. This heav'n - ly wash - ing
 And so re - ceive this to - ken. Our Lord here with His
 Which we do well to pon - der: "This man is My be -
 Up - on the scene de - scend - ing; The tri - une God as -
 now shall be A cleans - ing from trans - gres - sion
 Word en - dows Pure wa - ter, free - ly flow - ing.
 lov - ed Son, In whom My heart has plea - sure.
 sur - ing us, With prom - is - es com - pel - ling,
 And by His blood and ag - o - ny Re - lease from death's
 God's Ho - ly Spir - it here a - vows Our kin - ship while
 Him you must hear, and Him a - lone, And trust in full -
 That in our Bap - tism He will thus A - mong us find
 op - pres - sion. A new life now a - waits us.
 be - stow - ing The Bap - tism of His bless - ing.
 est mea - sure The word that He has spo - ken."
 a dwell - ing To com - fort and sus - tain us.

5 To His disciples spoke the Lord,
 "Go out to ev'ry nation,
 And bring to them the living Word
 And this My invitation:
 Let ev'ryone abandon sin
 And come in true contrition
 To be baptized and thereby win
 Full pardon and remission
 And heav'nly bliss inherit."

6 But woe to those who cast aside
 This grace so freely given;
 They shall in sin and shame abide
 And to despair be driven.
 For born in sin, their works must fail,
 Their striving saves them never;
 Their pious acts do not avail,
 And they are lost forever,
 Eternal death their portion.

7 All that the mortal eye beholds
 Is water as we pour it.
 Before the eye of faith unfolds
 The pow'r of Jesus' merit.
 For here it sees the crimson flood
 To all our ills bring healing;
 The wonders of His precious blood
 The love of God revealing,
 Assuring His own pardon.

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Prayer

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy

L For...[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]...let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

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

Collect of the Day

L 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.

Collect for the Word

L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

New Testament Canticle

LSB 266

Refrain



C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.

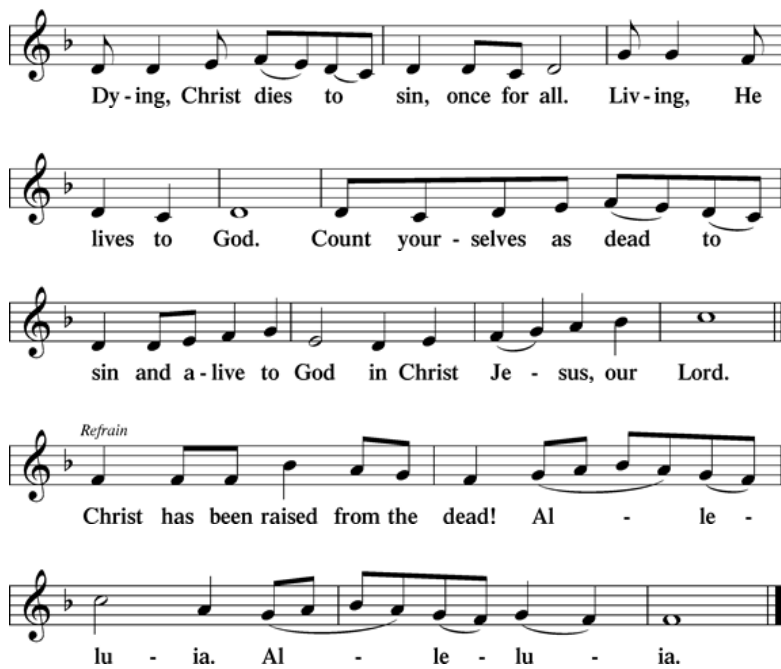
Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Benedicamus

LSB 267

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 267

L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

C Amen.

Hymn "God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

LSB 594





Gave my full re - demp - tion price. Do I need earth's
 Je - sus' cleans - ing sac - ri - fice. Should a guilt - y
 I am not so soon en - ticed. Now that to the
 To in - her - it par - a - dise! Though I lie in
 E - ven there I'll sleep se - cure. Though my flesh a -

trea - sures man - y? I have one worth
 con - science seize me Since my Bap - tism
 font I've trav - eled, All your might has
 dust and ash - es Faith's as - sur - ance
 waits its rais - ing, Still my soul con -

more than an - y That brought me sal -
 did re - lease me In a dear for -
 come un - rav - eled, And, a - gainst your
 bright - ly flash - es: Bap - tism has the
 tin - ues prais - ing: I am bap - tized

va - tion free Last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!
 giv - ing flood, Sprin - kling me with Je - sus' blood?
 tyr - an - ny, God, my Lord, u - nites with me!
 strength di - vine To make life im - mor - tal mine.
 in - to Christ; I'm a child of par - a - dise!

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Welcome! We are so glad to have you with us today!
If you are visiting us for the first time, please sign our
guest book, or a guest card in the pew
and place in the offering plate before leaving.
Please join us for fellowship after the worship service.

Scripture Lessons for next Sunday: Exodus 33:12-23, Romans 12:6-16 and John 2:1-11.

Stewardship: Matthew 3:15 – “But Jesus answered him, ‘Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.’ ” Fulfilling all righteousness is not a task we are up to. The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us and do what we could not do. The whole of Jesus’ life, everything He did and said, was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us. With our righteousness fulfilled in Jesus and given to us in Baptism, our hearts now overflow with thanksgiving and praise.

Sunday School: Today, we will study “A Judge Leads.” God called Gideon to lead His chosen people against their Midianite enemies. God leads Gideon to reduce his army from 32,000 men to a mere 300. Reassured by the Lord, Gideon moves forward with God’s improbable plan. Armed with only torches and trumpets, Gideon’s mini army defeats the mighty Midianite force without lifting a sword. Discuss ways God can use even small groups of people to accomplish great things.

We are not having LWML or our Evangelism Board meetings on Monday, January 10th.

There will be no podcast or online streaming service for January 16th.

Pastor will be in St. Louis January 10 -- January 14. If a need arises, please contact an Elder, Pastor’s cell, or Pastor Provost at Our Savior in Newton at 641-792-1084.

Building Healthy Families for Jan. 9th: Date night...what's that, you say? If you've been married for 1 year or 65 years and think date night is just for those unmarried couples who are still dating, think again! When was the last time you and your spouse went on a date? Take some time for just the two of you to spend together. If you ever need help reconnecting or resolving issues, LFS has experienced counselors who are ready to help. ~ **Lutheran Family Service of Iowa: Des Moines (515) 251-4900. www.LutheranFamily-Service.org**

Life Quote for Jan 9th: "[E]very human life, no matter the size, level of development, environment, or degree of dependency, is indispensable in fulfilling God's plans." Lynette Auch, president of Lutherans For Life ~ **A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org**

Life Thought in the Church Year for Jan. 9th: The voice of the Lord makes the deer give birth (Psalm 29:9). And does not His Word likewise will the conception of every child (Genesis 30:22)? He creates, redeems, and calls each one (Isaiah 43:1) even more precious than the other creatures. His incarnate Son displays His desire to claim every human life as His beloved son or daughter (Luke 3:22). That includes you, me, and all other neighbors!

Lutheran Hour Ministries for Jan. 16th: Hear "Hazed and Confused" based on Luke 4:1-37 by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God is against our pride because He wants to give Himself to us. ~ **Listen next Sunday on 600 WMT at 6:30 a.m., 1190 KFJB at 8:30 a.m., WHO-1040 at 7:30 a.m., & 1410 KGRN at 7:30 a.m.**

MORE TOPICS, MORE GUESTS, MORE JESUS... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Persecution of Christians in India, The Introit, What Can We Learn from "The Benedict Option"?, Jesus Healing Ten Lepers and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

Giving statements for 2021 will be sent out this week.

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Cleaning: Household(s) responsible for the week of 1/9--1/15 is **Cloyed**. Household(s) responsible for the week of 1/16--1/22 is **Eichenberger**. If you cannot clean the week you have been assigned, it is your responsibility to trade with others on the list. If it is your week to clean church and you have other obligations or you prefer to write a check rather than cleaning, a substitute is available for \$50. Please contact Amber Carnine ASAP or at least by the Thursday before the week you are scheduled to clean.

Celebrating Birthdays This Week

Thursday...Darlo Kelting

Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays This Week

Saturday...Caden Christinson

We pray God's blessings upon you in the coming year.

Voters' Assembly after the service Sunday, January 16th

If you are not a member and desire to become one:

4.3.1 Definition: Voting members are communicants who have reached the age of 18 years and who have been received by the Voters' Assembly.

4.3.2 Reception: Applicants for voting membership shall have received a copy of the constitution and be given time to review it. They shall be received as voting members by presenting themselves at a meeting of the Voters' Assembly and signing the constitution.

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

For the week of December 22, 2021

Attendance	30
General Fund	\$455.00

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

For the week of December 24, 2021

General Fund	\$300.00
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ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

For the week of December 25, 2021

Attendance	17
Communion	13
General Fund	\$65.00

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

For the week of December 26, 2021

Attendance	22
General Fund	\$325.00
Building Improvement	\$2500.00

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

For the week of January 6, 2021

Attendance	14
Communion	10
General Fund	\$585.00
Missions	\$25.00

WEEK AHEAD

Today	8:00am	Council Meeting
	9:00am	The Baptism of Our Lord Installation of Officers and Board Members
	10:30am	Bible Study/Sunday School
	11:30am	Board of Education Meeting Greeter: Tammy S. Usher: Chris C. Servers: Bev H./Stephanie E. Acolyte/Crucifier: Finn/Sloane Elder: Darlo K.

Pastor in St. Louis through Friday

Next Sun.	9:00am	Second Sunday after the Epiphany
	10:30am	Bible Study/Sunday School
	10:30am	Voters' Assembly Greeter: Stanek Usher: Oliver L. Servers: Emily L./Sophia L. Acolyte/Crucifier: Kaitlynn/Cole Elder: Steve H.

Dear Pastors and friends in the Iowa District East,

Our annual High School Weekend Retreat at College Hill Lutheran Church had to be moved and slightly modified this year due to a change in the academic calendar at UNI.

We are still inviting your high school students to join our college students for an overnight stay at the Brammer Student Center on Friday, January 28th into the morning of Saturday, January 29th. We are pleased to have former UNI student, Deaconess Tiffany Manor, return to join us for the evening. She now serves as the Director of Life Ministries for The Lutheran Church-- Missouri Synod and will speak to the students about how God continues to draw people to faith through LCMS campus ministries. The event is free. Please RSVP to Deaconess Faith Swenson by Tuesday, January 21st so that we may make appropriate accommodations. You may contact her by email at deaconess.swenson@gmail.com or by phone at (319) 266-1274.

Blessed Epiphany!
Rev. John Wegener

Friday, January 28

7:00 p.m. Welcome/registration and snacks

7:30 p.m. Ice Breakers

8:00 p.m. Deaconess Tiffany Manor – Transforming Hearts Through Campus Ministry

9:00 p.m. Litany

9:30 p.m. Pizza, Games and socializing

RSVP for those wanting to stay the night (January 21)

Saturday, January 29

9 a.m. Breakfast

10 a.m. Optional Campus Tour

11 am Pack up and return home

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CHRISTIANS IN A WOKE WORLD

YOUTH RETREAT

January 21-22, 2022

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

1100 Market St, Carlisle, IA

Registration Friday at 5:30 p.m. Cost: \$25

A Call to Courage, Confession and Love



Rev. Paul Dare

Rev. Paul Dare has served as a parish pastor for more than 20 years. He has been featured in a series of interviews on the national podcast *Issues, Etc.* regarding Christians living in a woke world and has been invited to speak at multiple conferences.

- PRIVILEGE•
- POLITICALLY CORRECT•
- WOKE•
- CRITICAL RACE THEORY•
- ANTI-RACIST•
- SOCIAL JUSTICE•

IN THIS RETREAT WE WILL DISCUSS THE IMPACT "CULTURAL MARXISM" HAS HAD ON OUR CHRISTIAN YOUTH. WE, AS GOD'S PEOPLE, WILL GO INTO SCRIPTURE IN ORDER TO EXAMINE AND UNDERSTAND THIS IDEOLOGY FROM A DISTINCTLY CHRISTIAN POINT OF VIEW AND EQUIP OUR YOUTH TO FIND NEEDED COURAGE TO RESPOND IN TRUTH AND LOVE IN CHRIST ALONE.

For more information contact Rev. Kevin Johnson, pastorj.holycross@yahoo.com or 515-721-6675

Online registration available at www.holycrosscarlisle.org