

**1ST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
DIVINE SERVICE II
JANUARY 10, 2021 9:00 A.M.**

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN: “*All Christians Who Have Been Baptized*” [LSB: 596]

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!

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.

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.

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.

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.

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!

✠ SERVICE OF CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION ✠

INVOCATION..... [Pg. 167]

P In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.** *[Matthew 28:19b, 18-20]*

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION..... [LSB: pg. 167]

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.** *1 John 1:8-9*

P Let us then 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 I 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.**

ABSOLUTION..... [LSB: pg. 204]

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.**

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

PSALM: P = Pastor C = Congregation

P ¹ Ascribe to the LORD, O Heavenly | beings,*
 ascribe to the LORD Glo- | ry and Strength.
 C ² Ascribe to the LORD the Glory | due His Name;*
 worship the LORD in the splendor of | Holiness.

C ³ **The voice of the LORD is over the | waters;*
 the God of Glory Thunders, the LORD, over many | waters.**
 C ⁴ **The voice of the LORD is | Powerful;*
 the voice of the LORD is Full of | Majesty.**

P ⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedars;*
 the LORD breaks the cedars of | Lebanon.
 C ⁶ He makes Lebanon to skip | like a calf,*
 and Sirion like a young | wild ox.

C ⁷ **The voice | of the LORD*
 flashes forth | flames of fire.**
 C ⁸ **The voice of the LORD shakes the | wilderness;*
 the LORD shakes the wilderness | of Kadesh.**

P ⁹ The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth and strips the | forests bare,*
 and in His Temple all cry, | “Glory!”
 C ¹⁰ The LORD sits Enthroned o- | ver the flood;*
 the LORD sits Enthroned as King For- | ever.

C ¹¹ **May the LORD Give Strength to His | People!*
 May the LORD Bless His People | with Peace!**
 C ¹ **Ascribe to the LORD, O Heavenly | beings,*
 ascribe to the LORD Glo- | ry and Strength.**

C **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
 and to the Holy | Spirit;
 as it was in the be- | ginning,*
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

L The Word became flesh and Dwelt among us, and we have seen His | Glory,*
 Glory as of the only Son from the Father, Full of | Grace and Truth.
 C ¹ Ascribe to the LORD, O Heavenly | beings,*
 ascribe to the LORD Glo- | ry and Strength.

KYRIE ≈ ≈ LORD, Have Mercy [Mark 10:47] [LSB: pg. 168]

P In peace let us pray to the LORD.
 C **LORD, have Mercy**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the LORD.
 C **LORD, have Mercy**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the LORD.
 C **LORD, have Mercy**

P For this Holy House and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the LORD.
 C **LORD, have Mercy**

P Help, Save, Comfort, and Defend us, Gracious LORD.
 C **Amen.**

THIS IS THE FEAST [Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9] [LSB: pg. 171]

P This is the Feast of Victory for our God. Alleluia.
 C **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb Who was slain, Whose Blood set us free to be People of God. Power, Riches,
 Wisdom and Strength, and Honor, Blessing, and Glory are His. This is the Feast of Victory for our God.
 Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing, Honor, Glory, and
 Might be 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.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY [Pg. 172]

P *Sung:* The LORD be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22
 C **And also with you.**

P 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.

FIRST 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. ⁴

And 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."

A This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

L Praise the LORD, all | nations!*
Extol Him, all | peoples!
For Great is His Steadfast | Love toward us,*
and the Faithfulness of the LORD Endures For- | ever.
Ascribe to the LORD the Glory | due His Name;*
bring an offering, and come in- | to His Courts!
Praise the LORD, all | nations!*
Extol Him, all | peoples!

EPISTLE: *Romans 6:1-11*

"¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that Grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been Baptized into Christ Jesus were Baptized into His Death? ⁴We 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. ⁵For if we have been united with Him in a Death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a Resurrection like His. ⁶We 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. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have Died with Christ, we Believe that we will also Live with Him. ⁹We know that Christ being Raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. ¹⁰For the Death He Died he Died to sin, once for all, but the Life He Lives He Lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and Alive to God in Christ Jesus."

A This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE *John 6:68* [LSB: pg. 173]

C Alleluia. LORD, to whom shall we go? You have the Words of Eternal Life. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL: *Mark 1:4-11*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.
C Glory to you, O LORD.

"⁴John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a Baptism of Repentance for the Forgiveness of sins. ⁵And 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. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷And 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. ⁸I have baptized you with water, but He will Baptize you with the Holy Spirit.' ⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was Baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when He came up out of the water, immediately He saw the Heavens opening and the Spirit Descending on Him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from Heaven, 'You are My Beloved Son; with You I am Well Pleased.'"

P This is the Gospel of our LORD.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "*O God, O LORD of Heaven and Earth*" [LSB: 834]

1.
O God, O LORD of Heav'n and earth,
Thy Living finger never wrote
That life should be an aimless mote,
A deathward drift from futile birth.

Thy Word meant Life Triumphant hurled In
splendor through Thy broken world. Since Light
awoke and Life began, Thou hast desired Thy life
for man.

2.
Our fatal will to equal Thee,
Our rebel will wrought death and night.
We seized and used in prideful spite
Thy Wondrous Gift of Liberty.
We housed us in this house of doom,
Where death had royal scope and room,
Until Thy servant, Prince of Peace,
Breached all its walls for our Release.

4. ▲
O Spirit, who didst once Restore
Thy Church that it might be again
The Bringer of Good News to men, Breathe on Thy
cloven Church once more, That in these gray and
latter days There may be those whose life is praise,
Each life a High Doxology To Father, Son, and unto
Thee.

3.
Thou camest to our hall of death,
O Christ, to breathe our poisoned air,
To drink for us the dark despair
That strangled our reluctant breath.
How Beautiful the feet that trod
The road that leads us back to God!
How Beautiful the feet that ran
To bring the Great Good News to man!

SERMON

NICENE CREED [LSB: pg. 174]

C 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.

Us men means all people
Christian: the ancient text reads "catholic," meaning the whole
Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH [I timothy 2:1-4] [LSB: pg. 175]

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

OFFERTORY [Psalm 116:12-13; 17-19] [LSB: pg. 176]

C What shall I render to the LORD for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the Name of the LORD.
I will take the Cup of Salvation and will call on the Name of the LORD.
I will pay my vows to the LORD now in the presence of all His People,
In the courts of the LORD's House, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

☩ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ☩

PREFACE [LSB: pg. 177]

P The LORD be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22
C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1
C We lift them to the LORD.

P Let us give thanks to the LORD our God. Psalm 136
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE (seasonal)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy LORD, Almighty Father, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our LORD; for in the Mystery of the Word made flesh

You have given us a New Revelation of Your Glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your Glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:.

SANCTUS ≈ *Holy, Holy, Holy* [Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9] [LSB: pg. 178]

**Holy, Holy, Holy LORD, God of Pow'r and Might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your Glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the LORD.
Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING [LSB: pg. 178]

- P Blessed are You, LORD of heaven and earth, for You have had Mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the Salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing Sacrifice of His Body and His Blood on the Cross. Gathered in the Name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O LORD, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His Body and drink His Blood as He bids us do in His Own Testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the Marriage Feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom,
- C **Amen.**

THE WORD'S OF OUR LORD [LSB: pg. 179]

- P “Our LORD Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: ‘Take, eat; this is My Φ Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.’ In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: ‘Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My Φ Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST [LSB: pg. 179]

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the LORD’s death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*
- C Amen. Come, LORD Jesus. *Revelation 22:20*
- P O LORD Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your Body and Blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your Holy Cross and Passion, Your Blessed Death, Your Rest in the tomb, Your Resurrection from the dead, Your Ascension into Heaven, and Your Coming for the final Judgment. So remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYER [LSB: pg. 179]

- C **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** *Matthew 6:9-13*

PAX DOMINI ≈ *The Peace of the LORD* [LSB: pg. 180]

- P The Peace of the LORD be with you always.
- C Amen.

AGNUS DEI ≈ *Lamb of God* [LSB: pg. 180]

- C **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have Mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have Mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, grant us Thy Peace.** *John 1:29*

DISTRIBUTION [LSB: pg. 181]

DISTRIBUTION HYMN #1: “*The Star Proclaims the King is Here*” [LSB: 399]

1. The Star Proclaims the King is here; But, Herod, why this senseless fear?	For He who offers Heav’nly Birth Seeks not the kingdoms of this earth.
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2.
The eastern sages saw from far
And followed on His Guiding Star;
And, led by Light, to Light they trod
And by their gifts confessed their God.

4.
And oh, what Miracle Divine,
When water reddened into wine!
He spoke the Word, and forth it flowed
In streams that nature ne'er bestowed.

5. ▲
For this Thy glad Epiphany
All Glory, Jesus, be to Thee,
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Spirit Evermore.

3.
Within the Jordan's Sacred Flood
The Heav'nly Lamb in Meekness stood
That He, of Whom no sin was known,
Might Cleanse His People from their own.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN #2 "To Jordan's River Came Our LORD" [LSB: 405]

1.
To Jordan's river came our LORD,
The Christ, Whom Heav'nly hosts Adored, The
God from God, the Light from Light, The LORD of
Glory, Pow'r, and Might.

3.
As Jesus in the Jordan stood
And John baptized the Lamb of God,
The Holy Spirit, Heav'nly Dove,
Descended on Him from Above.

5.
The Father's Word, the Spirit's Flight
Anointed Christ in Glorious sight
As God's Own Choice, from Adam's fall
To Save the world and Free us all.

2.
The Savior came to be Baptized—
The Son of God in flesh disguised—
To stand beneath the Father's Will
And all His Righteousness Fulfill.

4.
Then from God's Throne with thund'rous sound
Came God's Own voice with Words profound:
"This is My Son," was His Decree,
"The One I Love, Who Pleases Me."

6.
Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute;
This man is Christ, our Substitute!
He was Baptized in Jordan's stream,
Proclaimed Redeemer, LORD Supreme.

THE DISMISSAL [LSB: pg. 181]

P The Body and Blood of our LORD Jesus Christ Strengthen and Preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.
Depart ☩ in Peace.
C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: [LSB: pg. 181]

C Thank the LORD and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let ev'ryone who seek the LORD rejoice and proudly bear His Name.
He recalls His Promises and leads His people forth in Joy
With shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT [LSB: pg. 181]

P Let us pray ... O God the Father, the Fountain and Source of all Goodness, Who in Loving Kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us Pardon and Peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your Children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our LORD, ☩ Who Lives and Reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

BENEDICTION [LSB: pg. 183]

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.

CLOSING HYMN: "If Your Belovèd Son, O God" [LSB: 568]

1.

If Your Belovèd Son, O God,
Had not to earth descended
And in our mortal flesh and blood
Had not sin's power ended,
Then this poor, wretched soul of mine
In hell Eternally would pine
Because of my transgression.

3.

I trust in Him with all my heart;
Now all my sorrow ceases.
His Words Abiding Peace Impart;
His Blood from guilt Releases.
Free Grace through Him I now obtain;
He Washes me from ev'ry stain,
And Pure I stand before Him.

5.

My guilt, O Father, You have laid
On Christ, Your Son, my Savior.
LORD Jesus, You my debt have paid
And Gained for me God's Favor.
O Holy Spirit, Fount of Grace,
The Good in me to You I trace;
In Faith and Hope Preserve me.

2.

But now I find sweet peace and rest;
Despair no more reigns o'er me.
No more am I by sin oppressed,
For Christ has borne sin for me.
Upon the Cross for me He died
That, Reconciled, I might abide
With You, my God, Forever.

4.

All righteousness by works is vain;
The Law brings condemnation.
True Righteousness by Faith I Gain;
Christ's Work is my Salvation.
His Death, that Perfect Sacrifice,
Has paid the All-Sufficient price;
In Him my Hope is Anchored.