

*Immanuel Lutheran Church, Altamont, Illinois*

**The Baptism of Our Lord**

First Sunday after the Epiphany

**Saturday, January 7, 2023 at 6:00 PM**

**Sunday, January 8 at 8:30 AM**

*Lutheran Service Book Divine Service Three*

*Music Prelude*

*Ringing of the Bell*

*Welcome*

**HYMN 406 TO JORDAN CAME THE CHRIST, OUR LORD**

sts. 1–4

- 1 To Jordan came the Christ, our Lord,  
    To do His Father's pleasure;  
Baptized by John, the Father's Word  
    Was given us to treasure.  
This heav'nly washing now shall be  
    A cleansing from transgression  
And by His blood and agony  
    Release from death's oppression.  
A new life now awaits us.
- 2 O hear and mark the message well,  
    For God Himself has spoken.  
Let faith, not doubt, among us dwell  
    And so receive this token.  
Our Lord here with His Word endows  
    Pure water, freely flowing.  
God's Holy Spirit here avows  
    Our kinship while bestowing  
The Baptism of His blessing.
- 3 These truths on Jordan's banks were shown  
    By mighty word and wonder.  
The Father's voice from heav'n came down,  
    Which we do well to ponder:  
"This man is My belovèd Son,  
    In whom My heart has pleasure.  
Him you must hear, and Him alone,  
    And trust in fullest measure  
The word that He has spoken."

4 There stood the Son of God in love,  
    His grace to us extending;  
The Holy Spirit like a dove  
    Upon the scene descending;  
The triune God assuring us,  
    With promises compelling,  
That in our Baptism He will thus  
    Among us find a dwelling  
To comfort and sustain us.

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(*Stand. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*)

## INVOCATION

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

## EXHORTATION

LSB 184

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**  
**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

(*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*)

## CONFESSiON OF SINS

LSB 184

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

## ABSOLUTION

LSB 185

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I

forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

¶ Amen.

## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

### INTROIT (Read by response) Psalm 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,  
**my chosen, in whom my soul delights.**

I will tell of the decree:

**The LORD said to me, “You are my Son; today I have begotten  
you.**

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,  
**and the ends of the earth your possession.**

You shall break them with a rod of iron  
**and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”**

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;

**be warned, O rulers of the earth.**

Serve the LORD with fear,

**and rejoice with trembling,**

for his wrath is quickly kindled.

**Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.**

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,

**my chosen, in whom my soul delights.**

### GLORIA PATRI ♫

LSB 186

¶ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world  
without end. Amen.

### KYRIE ♫

LSB 186

¶ Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ♫

LSB 187

¶ Glory be to God on high:  
¶ and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav’ly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have  
mercy upon us.

**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you. ♫

**C** And with thy spirit. ♫

**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.

(*Sit*)

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Isaiah 42:1–9

<sup>1</sup>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.  
<sup>2</sup>He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice,  
    or make it heard in the street;  
<sup>3</sup>a bruised reed he will not break,  
    and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;  
    he will faithfully bring forth justice.  
<sup>4</sup>He will not grow faint or be discouraged  
    till he has established justice in the earth;  
    and the coastlands wait for his law.  
<sup>5</sup>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:  
<sup>6</sup>"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,  
    to open the eyes that are blind,  
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
    from the prison those who sit in darkness.  
<sup>8</sup>I am the LORD; that is my name;  
    my glory I give to no other,  
    nor my praise to carved idols.  
<sup>9</sup>Behold, the former things have come to pass,

and new things I now declare;  
before they spring forth  
I tell you of them."

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL

Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all nations!  
Extol him, all peoples!  
For great is his steadfast love toward us,  
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.  
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
bring an offering, and come into his courts!

## EPISTLE

Romans 6:1–11

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>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.

<sup>5</sup>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. <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So 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.

(Stand)

## ALLELUIA

LSB 190

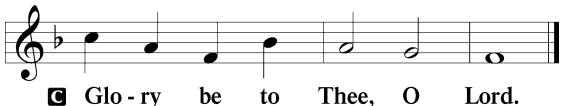


**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 3:13–17

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>13</sup>Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup>John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” <sup>15</sup>But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. <sup>16</sup>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; <sup>17</sup>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 be to Thee, O Christ.

## APOSTLES' CREED

**C** 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.

(*Sit*)

## THE CHILDREN'S TALK

## **HYMN 594 GOD'S OWN CHILD, I GLADLY SAY IT**

- 1 God's own child, I gladly say it:  
I am baptized into Christ!  
He, because I could not pay it,  
Gave my full redemption price.  
Do I need earth's treasures many?  
I have one worth more than any  
That brought me salvation free  
Lasting to eternity!
- 2 Sin, disturb my soul no longer:  
I am baptized into Christ!  
I have comfort even stronger:  
Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.  
Should a guilty conscience seize me  
Since my Baptism did release me  
In a dear forgiving flood,  
Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?
- 3 Satan, hear this proclamation:  
I am baptized into Christ!  
Drop your ugly accusation,  
I am not so soon enticed.  
Now that to the font I've traveled,  
All your might has come unraveled,  
And, against your tyranny,  
God, my Lord, unites with me!
- 4 Death, you cannot end my gladness:  
I am baptized into Christ!  
When I die, I leave all sadness  
To inherit paradise!  
Though I lie in dust and ashes  
Faith's assurance brightly flashes:  
Baptism has the strength divine  
To make life immortal mine.
- 5 There is nothing worth comparing  
To this lifelong comfort sure!  
Open-eyed my grave is staring:  
Even there I'll sleep secure.  
Though my flesh awaits its raising,  
Still my soul continues praising:  
I am baptized into Christ;  
I'm a child of paradise!

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## SERMON

(Stand)

### OFFERTORY ♫

LSB 192

- ¶ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

(Sit)

### HYMN DURING THE GATHERING OF THE OFFERING

#### HYMN 411 I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

- 1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world.  
The star of my life is Jesus. Refrain
- ref In Him there is no darkness at all.  
The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.
- 2 I want to see the brightness of God.  
I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,  
And show me the way to the Father. Refrain
- 3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.  
I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race,  
We shall know the joy of Jesus. Refrain

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### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

### PREFACE

LSB 194

- ¶ The Lord be with you. ♫



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts. ♫



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. ♫



C It is meet and right so to do.

## PROPER PREFACE

LSB 194

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS ♫

LSB 195

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the  
name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

## LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 196

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 197

## PAX DOMINI

LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. ♫



C A - men.

## AGNUS DEI ♫

LSB 198

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the  
world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the  
world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the  
world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

(Sit)

**Communion is served in a continuous line at the altar.**

## HYMNS DURING THE LORD'S SUPPER

### 590 BAPTIZED INTO YOUR NAME MOST HOLY

- 1 Baptized into Your name most holy,  
    O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
I claim a place, though weak and lowly,  
    Among Your saints, Your chosen host.  
Buried with Christ and dead to sin,  
Your Spirit now shall live within.
- 2 My loving Father, here You take me  
    To be henceforth Your child and heir.  
My faithful Savior, here You make me  
    The fruit of all Your sorrows share.  
O Holy Spirit, comfort me  
When threat'ning clouds around I see.
- 3 My faithful God, You fail me never;  
    Your promise surely will endure.  
O cast me not away forever  
    If words and deeds become impure.  
Have mercy when I come defiled;  
Forgive, lift up, restore Your child.
- 4 All that I am and love most dearly—  
    Receive it all, O Lord, from me.  
Let me confess my faith sincerely;  
    Help me Your faithful child to be!  
Let nothing that I am or own  
    Serve any will but Yours alone.

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### 605 FATHER WELCOMES

- ref Father welcomes all His children  
    To His fam'ly through His Son.  
Father giving His salvation,  
    Life forever has been won.

- 1 Little children, come to Me,  
For My kingdom is of these.  
Life and love I have to give,  
Mercy for your sin. Refrain
- 2 In the water, in the Word,  
In His promise, be assured:

Those who are baptized and believe  
Shall be born again. Refrain

- 3 Let us daily die to sin;  
Let us daily rise with Him,  
Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,  
Live in the peace of God. Refrain

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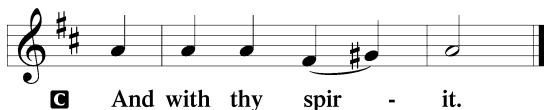
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## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

### SALUTATION

LSB 201

P The Lord be with you. ♫



C And with thy spir - it.

### BENEDICAMUS

LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord. ♫



C Thanks be to God.

### BENEDICTION ♫

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

## 399 THE STAR PROCLAIMS THE KING IS HERE

- 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.
- 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.

- 3 Within the Jordan's sacred flood  
The heav'ly Lamb in meekness stood  
That He, of whom no sin was known,  
Might cleanse His people from their own.
- 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.

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