

# The Baptism of Our Lord

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## SERVICE OUTLINE (Div. I, Serv. Pg 151)

**INTROIT** *Ps. 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Is. 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 be- | gotten you.**

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your | heritage,\*

**and the ends of the earth your pos- | session.**

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 ref- | uge in him.**

**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.**

Behold my servant, whom | I uphold,\*

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

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

**GRADUAL** *Ps. 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 for- | ever.**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory | due his name;\*

**bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!**

**DAILY READINGS** **January 7:** Ezek. 1:1–14, 22–28; Rom. 1:1–17; **8:** Ezek. 2:1–3:11; Rom. 1:18–32;

**9:** Ezek. 3:12–27; Rom. 2:1–16; **10:** Ezek. 18:1–4, 19–32; Rom. 2:17–29; **11:** Ezek. 33:1–20; Rom. 3:1–18;

**12:** Ezek. 34:1–24; Rom. 3:19–31; **13:** Ezek. 36:13–28; Rom. 4:1–25. The Introit, Collect, and Gradual are from

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### **Old Testament 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. 4And 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.

### **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.

### **Holy Gospel: Mark 1:4–11**

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.”