

WELCOME to the House of our Lord!

Rejoice, for the Lord comes to you here in this place to give you His gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation through His precious means of grace — His Holy Word & Sacraments. We pray the Lord's richest blessings as you receive these Divine gifts. Please fill out the **Record of Fellowship Pad** located on the pew so we can note your presence.

If you're visiting with us we're overjoyed that you're here. Please make your visit known to us by introducing yourself to the pastor & elders. After the service, please sign the guest book that is located in the narthex. For all visitors, we ask that you please speak with an elder or pastor before coming forward for communion. We also have a gift for all first time visitors. The Lord be with us all in Divine Service today!



AS WE GATHER...

The Baptism John proclaimed was for repentance, that people might be ready to receive the Messiah. When our Lord asked to be baptized, though, He had nothing of which to repent. In gracious obedience, He was baptized to begin this wonderful exchange with sinners, fulfilling the Law in our place and taking upon Himself God's judgment against sin. His ministry would fulfill the words Isaiah penned centuries earlier. Indeed, the Father was pleased with His servant Son that day but forsook Him on the cross as He took our sins with Him. As Paul writes in the Epistle, that great sacrifice ensures that we are able, now and forever, to be "alive to God in Christ Jesus" (*Romans 6:11*).

~ THOSE SERVING US TODAY ~

Sunday 9:00 am

Pastor Rev. Larry R. Yaw
Organist Kaleb Kohlmeyer
Elder Craig Zuleger
Acolyte Aubrey Paitl

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The family of Hertha Olson in celebration of her 100th birthday. May God's continued blessings be upon her.



SUNDAY, JANUARY 8TH, 2023
 THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
 DIVINE SERVICE THREE



OPENING HYMN

‘Dearest Jesus, We Are Here’

Hymn #592
vs. 1-3

HOLY BAPTISM

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‘Dearest Jesus, We Are Here’

Hymn #592
vs. 4-5

*Parts of our service have been omitted
 because they have already been covered in the Baptismal Rite
 (i.e. Confession & Absolution, the Creed, & the Lord’s Prayer)*

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

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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.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING



Isaiah 42:1-9

EPISTLE



Romans 6:1-11

✠ Alleluia

HOLY GOSPEL



St. Matthew 3:13-17

SERMON HYMN

‘Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered’

Hymn #404
(Alt Tune: LSB #849)

SERMON

OFFERING / OFFERTORY

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

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| ✘ Preface | ✘ Lord's Prayer | ✘ Pax Domini |
| ✘ Sanctus | ✘ The Words of Our Lord | ✘ Agnus Dei |

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

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| 'What a Friend We Have in Jesus' | Hymn #770 |
| 'I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light' | Hymn #411 |
| 'O Love, How Deep' | Hymn #544 |

CLOSING OF THE SERVICE

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| ✘ Nunc Dimittis | ✘ Post-Communion Prayer | ✘ Benedicamus |
| ✘ Thanksgiving | ✘ Salutation | ✘ Benediction |

CLOSING HYMN

'I Am Jesus' Little Lamb'

Hymn #740

✘ *Soli Deo Gloria!* ✘



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NOTE FOR THOSE DESIRING TO COMMUNE



Our practice of close communion is the Biblical & Historic practice of the Christian church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word & for His people since it seeks to prevent spiritual damage to those who do not recognize the true body & blood of Christ in, with, & under the bread & wine in this Holy Supper (1 Cor. 11:29).

Furthermore, it does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) & the Bible's witness that the Lord's Supper is the highest expression of fellowship & doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42). For this reason, guests who are not a member of a sister LCMS church are asked to please speak with our pastor or an elder before communing.

If you're not communing this morning, but still desire to come forward for a blessing; please indicate by crossing your arms over your chest so the pastor may give you a blessing.