

**Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Imperial NE**

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The Baptism of Our Lord

Introit

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 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*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 for- | ever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;*

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

Verse*Mark 1:11b*

Alleluia. You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased. Alleluia.

About the Readings:

Description: The Triune God Is Manifested and Reveals Himself to Us in Holy Baptism. The Baptism of our Lord is an "epiphany" of the one true God in the flesh and blood of Jesus. He is the chosen Servant of the Lord, anointed with the Spirit for the rescue of God's people to "bring forth justice to the nations" (Is. 42:1). Thus, He makes all things new, and He is given "as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations" (Is. 42:6). In the waters of the Jordan, He takes His place with sinners and takes all the sins of the world upon Himself. He undergoes the baptism of repentance in order to "fulfill all righteousness" for us (Matt. 3:15). He submits Himself to the curse of sin and death in order to redeem us. We are baptized with a Baptism like His, thereby dying and rising with Him, so that "we will also live with him" (Rom. 6:8). Indeed, all of us who are baptized into Christ Jesus are anointed with His Spirit and named by His Father as beloved and well-pleasing sons and daughters.

Readings:

This Week

Next Week

Old Testament

Isaiah 42:1-9

Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalm

Psalm 29

Psalm 40:1-11

Epistle

Romans 6:1-11

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Gospel

Matthew 3:13-17

John 1:29-42a

Hymns:

This Week

Next Week

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What am I listening for in the sermon? (space left for notes)

Instruction: What did the Word of God teach you in this sermon?

Confession: Having heard this sermon, what sins should I confess?

Thanksgiving: After hearing this sermon, for what should I give thanks?

Prayer: After hearing this sermon, what should I pray for? (For myself and others)

THIS WEEK IN CHRIST ACADEMY I, II, & III

Bible Story: Solomon Builds the Temple—1 Kings 5-6 and 8
120 Bible Stories, 104-105

Catechism: The Nature of Baptism

What is Baptism?

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Which is that word of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (**Matt. 28:19**)

For further study, see *Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation (2017)*, pp. 285-290.

FAMILY DEVOTION

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

PSALM

READING

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

TEN COMMANDMENTS

APOSTLE'S CREED

LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

