

# THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

JANUARY 8, 2023

## FRAMED!

## WELCOME

Welcome in the name of Christ Jesus. As we worship, we pray that you will open your heart in preparation as our Savior comes to us through the word and sacraments. If you are a guest, please sign your name, address and most importantly your phone number in our Guest Book in the entrance and come and worship with us again. If we can be of assistance to you in your spiritual walk through life please let us know. We invite you to join us for refreshments after the service in the room adjoining the worship facility.



## AS WE GATHER

When Jesus was coming up out of the baptismal waters, the voice of the Father proclaimed Him as His Son, in whom He delighted. Those words would be repeated on the Mount of Transfiguration, but with this order to the disciples: “Listen to Him!” Those two events “framed” Jesus’ ministry of obedient service and His revelation of God’s great love even before His sacrifice on the cross. Seeing Him, we learn what it means to be “alive to God in Christ Jesus,” as Paul urges in the Epistle. We are also “framed”—considered God’s children through our Baptism. It is all grace, of course; we never achieve our Lord’s righteousness, but are given it as a gift. Today we listen again to the Gospel, respond with prayer and praise, and are given grace to tell our friends what Christ has done for us all.

## COMMUNION PRACTICE

Lamb of God celebrates the Lord’s Supper in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see MATTHEW 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 CORINTHIANS 11:17-34.

# A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN



***We are very happy that you are here today, whether this is your first or fiftieth time with us. If you need a little help, please ask. There are many people here at Lamb of God who will lend you a hand.***

**Here are some suggestions to help make worship with your children easier:**

**Relax!** Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at Lamb of God.

**Please dare to sit toward the front**, where your children can easily see the pastor, note the colors, embrace the action at the altar, and wonder at the symbols in the great stained-glass windows. What Jesus does here promises to engage them.

**Explain** the parts of the Divine Service to your children, encouraging them to chime in on their parts: *Amen! Lord have mercy! And with your spirit! I believe! Our Father!* All of this belongs to them, too.

**Sing the hymns**, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn by following your lead.

**If you have to leave the service** with your child, feel free to do so – but please hurry back! Like Jesus, we want your children in the Liturgy, not out (there are soft toys and books in the nursery, and activity sheets with colored pencils in the fellowship hall which can be brought into the worship hall to help engage your child)

**Remember** that the way we nurture children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

**Please know** that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus' words **"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these"** (LUKE 18:16)

***We know that your children are a gift to the church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help, and bless you all.***

# + PREPARATION +

## HYMN

605 Father Welcomes

*Refrain*



Fa - ther wel - comes all His chil - dren To His fam - 'ly



through His Son. Fa - ther giv - ing His sal - va - tion,



Life for - ev - er has been won.



1 Lit - tle chil - dren, come to Me, For My king - dom  
2 In the wa - ter, in the Word, In His prom - ise,  
3 Let us dai - ly die to sin; Let us dai - ly



is of these. Life and love I have to give,  
be as - sured: Those who are bap - tized and be - lieve  
rise with Him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,

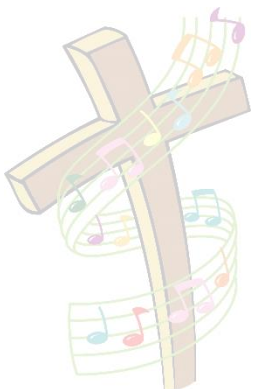


*Refrain*

Mer - cy for your sin.  
Shall be born a - gain.  
Live in the peace of God.

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## 📌 INVOCATION

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

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

## OPENING SENTENCES

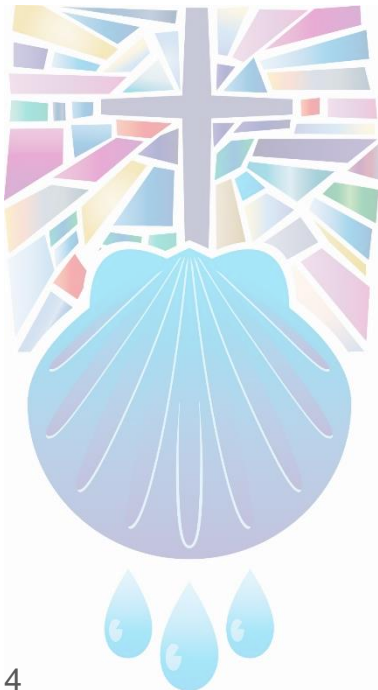
*Romans 6:4; Matthew 3:17*

- P** We were buried therefore with [Christ] by baptism into death,  
**C** 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.
- P** This is My beloved Son,  
**C** with whom I am well pleased.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Romans 6:3, 10*

- P** Isaiah wrote about God's gracious Servant. It was a prophecy about Jesus, who, although He was righteous, exchanged places with us in Baptism and on to death. Let us confess our failures to reflect His obedient servanthood in our daily living. The Father put His Spirit upon His Servant.
- C** We confess, good Lord, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed. We have sought to live by our own strength and will. In our sinful condition, we cannot help ourselves. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus, our Brother.
- P** Paul wrote, "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? . . . For the death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen. Thanks be to God for our Baptism into Christ!



## + INSTALLATION OF CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS +



### ADDRESS

**P** Beloved in the Lord, Holy Scripture admonishes us that “all things should be done decently and in order.”

To that end, the constitution and bylaws of this congregation establish various offices to which men and women are elected and appointed to serve. In so doing, the Church follows the example of the Early Christian Church as described in Acts, chapter six:

*The twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.”*

The apostle Peter writes in his first epistle:

*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies – in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.*

## INTRODUCTION

- P** The members gathered here before you have been duly elected as Mission & Ministry Council officers and members at large, and as Elders.

## QUESTIONING

- P** You have been chosen to fill specific offices and positions of responsibility at Lamb of God Lutheran Church. You are to work with the pastor, that our life together in Christ may be orderly and pleasing in His sight.

You are to see that the services of God's house are held at the proper times, that the Word of God is purely preached and taught according to the Lutheran Confessions, that the Sacraments of Christ are administered according to His institution, that provision is made for the Christian instruction of young and old, that the erring are admonished, and that discipline is maintained.

You are to see that the temporal affairs of the congregation are properly administered and that proper support is provided for the workers of this congregation. You are to assist in caring for the poor and the sick, in cultivating harmony among the members, in promoting the general welfare of the congregation, and in furthering the kingdom of Christ here and throughout the world.

While holiness of life and obedience to Christ are expected of all members of the congregation, it is especially important that you, as office-bearers in His Church, show yourselves, by word and example, to be faithful to Him in service and Christian devotion.

In the presence of God and of this congregation, I therefore ask you: Do you accept the office(s) entrusted to you, and do you promise faithfully to carry out your duties, trusting in the Lord and conforming yourself to His Word in accordance with the faith of the Evangelical Lutheran Church? If so, then answer: I do.

- R** *I do.*

## ADDRESS

- P** Beloved in the Lord, you have heard the promises of faithfulness spoken by these men and women whom you have selected to serve as officers of Lamb of God Lutheran Church. Do you promise to support them in their work, to remember them in your prayers, and to work with them to the best of the abilities that God has given you, so that He may be glorified and His work be done in our midst? If so, then answer: We do.

- C** **We do.**

## INSTALLATION

**P** Brothers and sisters in Christ, I install you as officers of Lamb of God Lutheran Church in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** The almighty and most merciful God enlighten and strengthen you in your offices that you may be good and faithful stewards to the glory of His name and the good of His people.

**C** Amen.

## COLLECT

**P** Let us pray: Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks that You have raised up these servants for work among Your people. We humbly implore You to grant them, by Your Holy Spirit, those gifts needed for the faithful carrying out of their tasks, most especially wisdom, strength, and willing hearts. Let Your blessing rest on this congregation. Strengthen the faith, quicken the love, and enkindle the zeal of its members, that Your name may be glorified and that here and in all places under heaven the kingdom of Your Son may be advanced. We remember with thanksgiving those who have faithfully served Your people and have now completed their time of service. We pray that in the end of days we, with all Your faithful people, may hear the voice of Christ saying: "Come, you who are blessed by My Father; inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world"; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## BLESSING

**P** Go in the name of the Lord. Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

**C** Amen.



## + WORD +

### HYMN

389 Let All Together Praise Our God



1 Let all to - geth - er praise our God Be - fore His  
4 He un - der - takes a great ex - change, Puts on our  
7 Your grace in low - li - ness re - vealed, Lord Je - sus,



glo - rious throne; To - day He o - pens heav'n a - gain To  
hu - man frame, And in re - turn gives us His realm, His  
we a - dore And praise to God the Fa - ther yield And



give us His own Son, To give us His own Son.  
glo - ry, and His name, His glo - ry, and His name.  
Spir - it ev - er - more; We praise You ev - er - more.

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### KYRIE

Mark 10:47

**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**A** 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.

**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C** Amen.

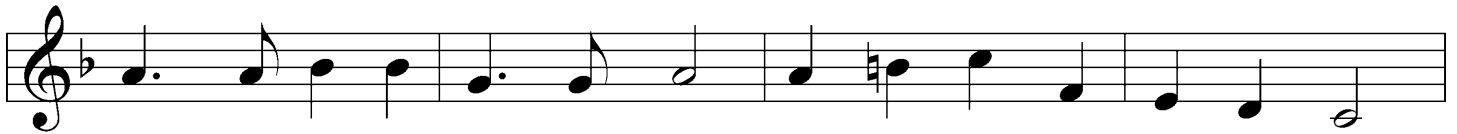


# HYMN

394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,  
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;  
 3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
 4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;  
 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest-ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,  
 And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;  
 Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;  
 Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;  
 Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
 Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
 Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
 All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;  
 That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 Thou by all wilt be con - fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

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## SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- 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.
- C** **Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life;**
- P** 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*

- A** The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, chapter 42.
  - <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,
  - <sup>7</sup>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*

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

## EPISTLE

*Romans 6:1–11*

- A** The Epistle is from Romans, chapter 6.

<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.**



## ♩ ALLELUIA AND VERSE

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**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. 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** **Glory to You, 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 to You, O Christ.**



# HYMN OF THE DAY

407 To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord



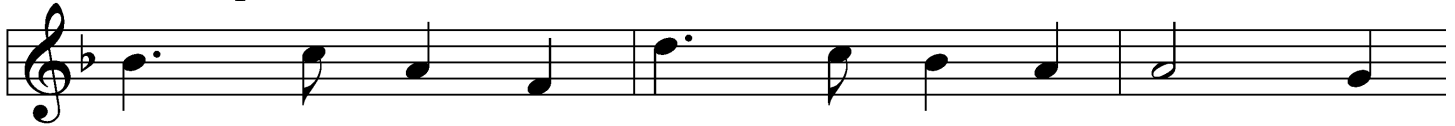
1 To Jor - dan came the Christ, our Lord, To do His Fa - ther's  
 2 O hear and mark the mes - sage well, For God Him - self has  
 4 There stood the Son of God in love, His grace to us ex -  
 7 All that the mor - tal eye be - holds Is wa - ter as we



plea - sure; Bap - tized by John, the Fa - ther's Word  
 spo - ken. Let faith, not doubt, a - mong us dwell  
 tend - ing; The Ho - ly Spir - it like a dove  
 pour it. Be - fore the eye of faith un - folds



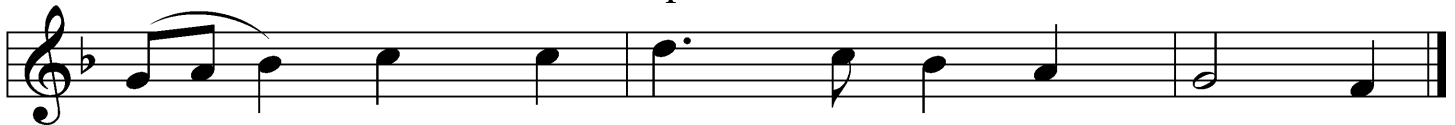
Was giv - en us to trea - sure. This heav'n - ly wash - ing  
 And so re - ceive this to - ken. Our Lord here with His  
 Up - on the scene de - scend - ing; The tri - une God as -  
 The pow'r of Je - sus' mer - it. For here it sees the



now shall be A cleans - ing from trans - gres - sion  
 Word en - dows Pure wa - ter, free - ly flow - ing.  
 sur - ing us, With prom - is - es com - pel - ling,  
 crim - son flood To all our ills bring heal - ing;



And by His blood and ag - o - ny Re - lease from death's op -  
 God's Ho - ly Spir - it here a - vows Our kin - ship while be -  
 That in our Bap - tism He will thus A - mong us find a  
 The won - ders of His pre - cious blood The love of God re -



pres - sion. A new life now a - waits us.  
 stow - ing The Bap - tism of His bless - ing.  
 dwell - ing To com - fort and sus - tain us.  
 veal - ing, As - sur - ing His own par - don.

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## SERMON

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## ↑ CATECHISM

*Baptism, First and Fourth*

**P** What is Baptism?

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

**P** Which is that word of God?

**C** **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."**

**P** What does such baptizing with water indicate?

**C** **It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

**P** Where is this written?

**C** **St. Paul writes in Romans, chapter six: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life."**

## BAPTISMAL REMEMBRANCE

**P** Do you renounce the devil?

**C** **Yes, I renounce him.**

**P** Do you renounce all his works?

**C** **Yes, I renounce them.**

**P** Do you renounce all his ways?

**C** **Yes, I renounce them.**

**P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

**C** **Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?

**C** **Yes, I believe 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.**

**P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**C** **Yes, 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.**

## 📣 PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Romans 6:11; Isaiah 42:6; Psalm 29:11*

**P** Because of our Baptism we “must consider [ourselves] dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.” Let us therefore boldly go to our heavenly Father in prayer for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For all the baptized in the Body of Christ, given “as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations,” that they would be strengthened by the Holy Spirit to respond as His chosen servants with faith-filled thoughts, words, and deeds in both their private and public lives, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the Church here and around the world, that we not feel unworthy in our service, as did John the Baptist, but may spread the news of God’s proclaimed favor in Christ and that those who make, administer, and judge the laws of all the nations would order society in peace and justice so that the Church may flourish, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who work in the healing arts, those who respond first in disasters, and those who protect us at home and while deployed in harm’s way, that God would protect them in time of danger, give them courage to use their gifts for the good of all entrusted to their care, and guide them when making difficult decisions, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who, like bruised reeds or faintly burning wicks, cry out to God for compassion, strength, and healing [including . . .], that God would not let them grow faint or discouraged, but would visit and relieve them according to His gracious will, using us whenever possible to bring renewal of life and joy, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** That “the LORD give strength to His people . . . [and] bless His people with peace”; into Your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## OFFERING

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## + SACRAMENT +

### Ⓜ PREFACE

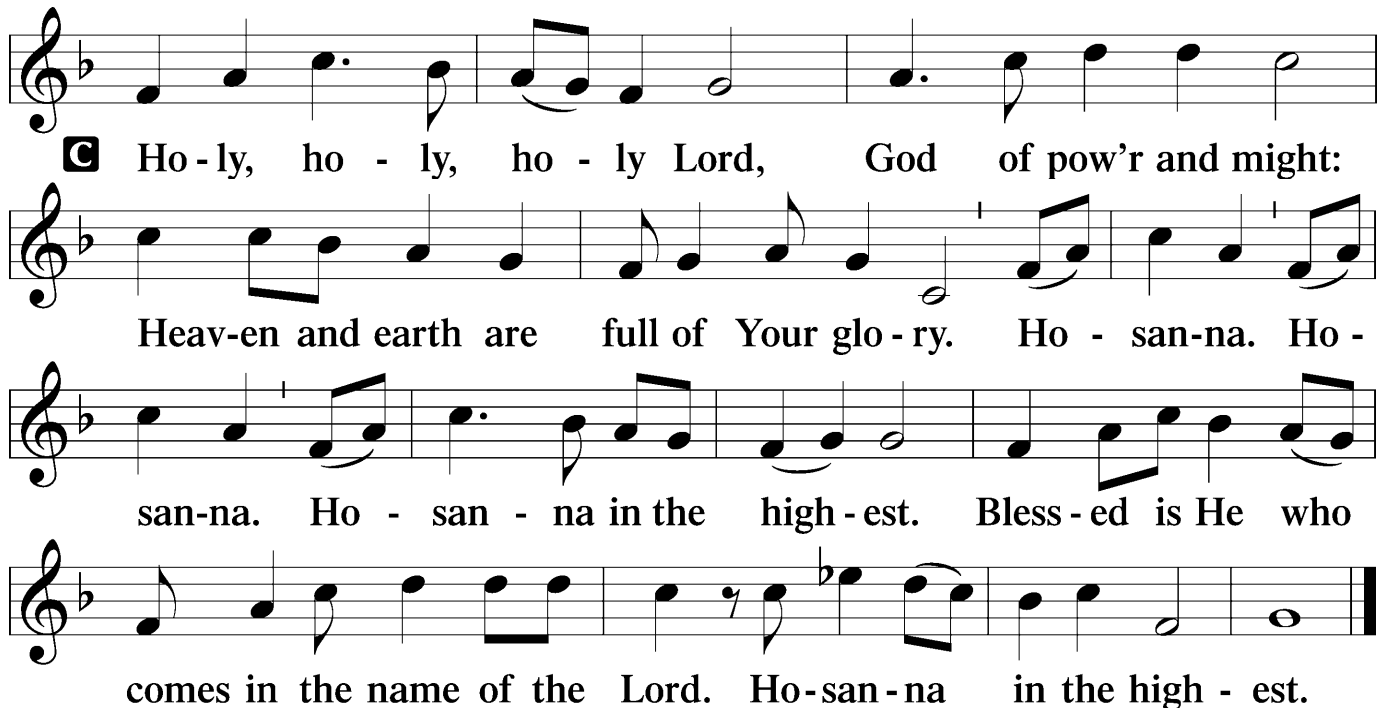
- Ⓜ The Lord be with you.  
Ⓜ **And also with you.**  
Ⓜ Lift up your hearts.  
Ⓜ **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Ⓜ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
Ⓜ **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### PROPER PREFACE

- Ⓜ 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 at His Baptism Your voice from heaven revealed Him as Your beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit descended on Him, confirming Him to be the Christ. 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

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Ⓜ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.





## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**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, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

**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 ✝ 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 ✝ 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

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**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

**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.

## PAX DOMINI

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

## WE SHARE THE PEACE

### U AGNUS DEI

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**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

# DISTRIBUTION HYMN

602 *The Gifts Christ Freely Gives*



1 The gifts Christ free - ly gives He gives to you and me  
2 The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own;  
3 The gifts of grace and peace From ab - so - lu - tion flow;  
4 The gifts are there each day The ho - ly Word is read;



To be His Church, His bride, His cho - sen, saved and free!  
New life He gives that makes Us His and His a - lone.  
The pas - tor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know.  
God's chil - dren lis - ten, hear, Re - ceive, and they are fed.



Saints blest with these rich gifts Are chil - dren who pro - claim  
Here He for - gives our sins With wa - ter and His Word;  
For - give - ness that we need Is grant - ed to us there;  
Christ fills them with Him - self, Blest words that give them life,



That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name.  
The tri - une God Him - self Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.  
The Lord of mer - cy sends Us forth in His blest care.  
Re - stor - ing and re - fresh - ing Them for this world's strife.

5 The gifts are in the feast, Gifts far more than we see;  
Beneath the bread and wine Is food from Calvary.  
The body and the blood Remove our ev'ry sin;  
We leave His presence in His peace, renewed again.

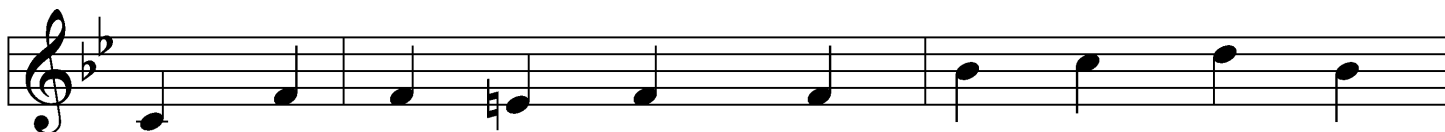
6 All glory to the One Who lavishes such love;  
The triune God in love Assures our life above.  
His means of grace for us Are gifts He loves to give;  
All thanks and praise for His Great love by which we live!

# DISTRIBUTION HYMN

405 To Jordan's River Came Our Lord



1 To Jor - dan's riv - er came our Lord, The Christ, whom  
2 The Sav - ior came to be bap - tized— The Son of  
3 As Je - sus in the Jor - dan stood And John bap -  
4 Then from God's throne with thun - d'rous sound Came God's own



heav'n - ly hosts a - dored, The God from God, the  
God in flesh dis - guised— To stand be - neath the  
tized the Lamb of God, The Ho - ly Spir - it,  
voice with words pro - found: "This is My Son," was



Light from Light, The Lord of glo - ry, pow'r, and might.  
Fa - ther's will And all His righ - teous - ness ful - fill.  
heav'n - ly dove, De - scend - ed on Him from a - bove.  
His de - cree, "The one I love, who pleas - es Me."

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.

6 Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute; This man is Christ, our substitute!  
He was baptized in Jordan's stream, Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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# DISTRIBUTION HYMN

404 Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered



1 Je - sus, once with sin - ners num - bered, Had no blem - ish  
 2 John con - fessed Him as the Sav - ior— “Look, the sin - less  
 3 This the bap - tism that our Sav - ior Great - ly longed to  
 4 Je - sus, once with sin - ners num - bered, Full o - be - dience



of His own; In the wa - ters of the Jor - dan  
 Lamb of God!” Yet he dared not loose the san - dals  
 un - der - go; This the crim - son cleans - ing need - ed  
 was Your path; You, by death, have con - se - crat - ed



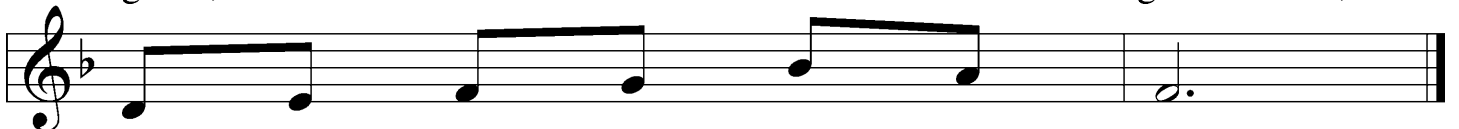
His true worth and work were shown: Heav - en o - pened  
 Of the One God’s love had shod. Oh, how fair the  
 So the world God’s love might know; This the mis - sion  
 Wa - ter in this sav - ing bath: Dy - ing to the



and the Spir - it There de - scend - ed like a  
 feet of Je - sus, Bring - ing news of peace to  
 of Mes - si - ah As He stepped from Jor - dan’s  
 sin of Ad - am, Ris - ing to a life of



dove, As the Fa - ther’s voice re - sound - ed,  
 us, Christ, the her - ald of sal - va - tion,  
 stream, He, the cho - sen and a - noint - ed  
 grace; We are count - ed with the righ - teous,



“Hear My Son, the One I love.”  
 Preach - ing mer - cy from the cross:  
 Son of God, sent to re - deem.  
 O - ver us the cross You trace.

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# ☛ NUNC DIMITTIS

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1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.



## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

**P** Let us pray: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BIRTHDAYS

### BENEDICTION

**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.



THE LORD  
BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU  
MAKE HIS FACE SHINE ON YOU  
AND BE GRACIOUS TO YOU  
LOOK UPON YOU WITH FAVOR  
AND GRANT YOU HIS PEACE

Numbers 6:24-26

# HYMN

722 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;  
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,  
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.  
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.  
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;  
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,  
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.  
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.  
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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## DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God!

