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Baptism of Our Lord

Mark 1:9-11

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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Thank you for joining our service today.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Welcome

Call to worship Romans 6:3-4

³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

Hymn “When Jesus Came To Jordan” ELW #305

V1 When Jesus came to Jordan
to be baptized by John,
he did not come for pardon
but as the Sinless One.
He came to share repentance
with all who mourn their sins,
to speak the vital sentence
with which good news begins.

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Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

1st Reading: Genesis 1:1-5

2nd Reading: Acts 19:1-7

Gospel Reading Mark 1:4-11

P: Holy Gospel according to Mark. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. 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 just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

P: The gospel of the Lord **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message

Hymn

"Baptize and Set Free"

ELW #453

V1

We are people created,
chosen by God.
Then we're washed, ever gently,
in mercy and love.
Sin has power no more.
Jesus opened the door
to a fountain bringing healing,
and wholeness and more.

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Prayer

L: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

Leader will lead the prayer.

We lift our prayers for

Lynn Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Delbert Scheider, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Lois Paulsen, Taylor B., Gene Hesselbacher, Lisa Wienand, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Deb Lindeman Harder, Paul Heller, Dave Heinkel, Cindy Tessendorf, the Heimann Family, Janet, Lori, J.T., Dan and Sue White, Ryse Stone, Harry Perra Jr, Nicole, Meghan, Kelly Thurman, Tom, Brian Gobeli, John, Jerred, Bronwein, Matt and Julie, Susan Anderson, Chuck, Joyce, Marcia, Deb, Mary Gerbode, Terri, Carla, Tina, Julie, Karla, J.T., Annie, Jamie, Penny Day, Crystal, Jesse Becke, Sue, Pastor Art Stees, Tina Diddens, Tana, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby and NI U Grace Place Campus Ministry. We pray for those serving overseas, especially Kyle.

Prayer will conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

Sending

God bless us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing and Dismissal

P: God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved fill you; and the Holy Spirit the comforter ☩ keep you in peace. **Amen.**

P: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude “Christ, When for Us You were Baptized” ELW #304

V1 Christ, when for us you were baptized,
 God's Spirit on you came,
 as peaceful as a dove, and yet
 as urgent as a flame,
 as urgent as a flame.

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