

The First Sunday after the Epiphany:  
The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ

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## **ONLINE WORSHIP BULLETIN**



# GATHER

## Acclamation

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
**Glory to God for ever and ever.**

There is one Body and one Spirit;  
**There is one hope in God's call to us;**  
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
**One God and Father of all.**

## Collect for Purity

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly  
love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Hymn of Praise *Gloria*

Powell

Glo - ry to God in the high - est,  
and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,  
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:  
re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## **The Collect of the Day**

May God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.  
**Amen.**

## **WORD**

### **The First Reading**      *(Genesis 1:1-5)*

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 29**

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \*

**ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; \*

**worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;

the God of glory thunders; \*

**the Lord is upon the mighty waters.**

The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; \*

**the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \*

**the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;**

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*

**and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;

the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; \*

**the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe \*  
**and strips the forests bare.**  
 And in the temple of the Lord \*  
**all are crying, "Glory!"**  
 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
**the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.**  
 The Lord shall give strength to his people; \*  
**the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

**The Second Reading** (Acts 19:1-7)

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Alleluia** *Celtic Alleluia*

Walker/O'Carroll

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

**The Holy Gospel** (Mark 1:4-11)

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And 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. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a

leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He 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. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And 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. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of Christ.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Homily**

*The Rev. Kristin Krantz*

### **The Renewal of the Baptismal Vows**

Let us join with those who will be committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**I will, with God's help.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*Intercessions for the Christian People (adapted)*

In the waters of baptism, we were called to be God's children and to minister to one another. Let us therefore pray for ourselves, for one another, and for all those in need of our prayers, saying: Loving God, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the church, that it may stand fast in the one faith to which it has been called. Loving God, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the world, that our conflicts may cease and that peace may reign in this new year. Loving God, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for all Christians who have been baptized into the one family of faith, that our lives reflect the forgiveness and love which was first shown us. Loving God, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for all who are blind to the injustices of our world, that their eyes may be opened and that they may work for an end to oppression and injustice. Loving God, **hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions are offered.*

Celebrant:

All-knowing God, you know our thoughts and needs better than we ourselves. Accept the prayers which we now offer, and strengthen us to do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Savior Christ taught us, we now pray:

**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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Peace**

May the peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **Welcome & Announcements**

## **Thanksgivings of the Community**

*You are invited to come forward to offer public thanks for the movement of God's Spirit in your own life: thanks for a birthday, an anniversary, a new job, and unexpected act of compassion, or another grace-filled change in your life. We close this time with the following prayer:*

**O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they mark this day. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

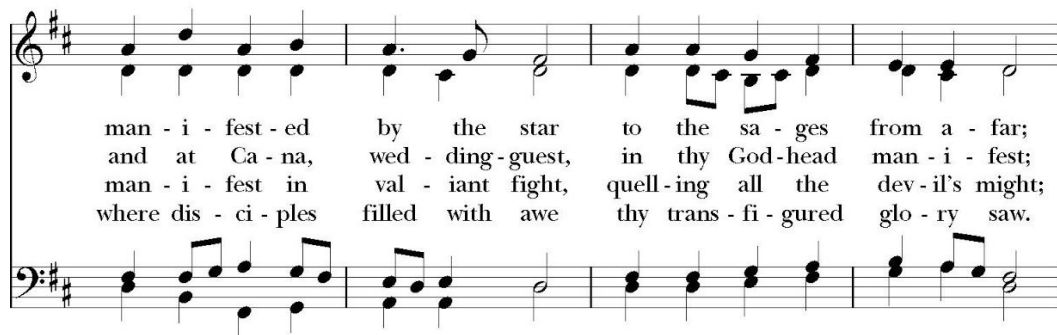
Go in safety, for you cannot go where God is not.  
Go in love, for love alone endures.  
Go in peace, for that is God's gift to those whose hearts and minds are in God's son Jesus.  
And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**Hymn:** *Songs of thankfulness and praise*

Salzburg



1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,  
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;  
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,



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;  
where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;  
man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,



an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
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cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

**Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!**