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**The Baptism of Our Lord**  
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**Prayer Before Worship**

*O Lord, my Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.*

**PRELUDE**

**RINGING BELL CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

**WELCOME**

**OPENING HYMN**    LSB 394 *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*

**CONFESSİON AND ABSOLUTİON**

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P: In the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: AMEN.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: BUT IF WE CONFESS OUR SINS, GOD, WHO IS FAITHFUL AND JUST, WILL FORGIVE OUR SINS AND CLEANSE US FROM ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS.**

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)*

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C: MOST MERCIFUL GOD, WE CONFESS THAT WE ARE BY NATURE SINFUL AND UNCLEAN. WE HAVE SINNED AGAINST YOU IN THOUGHT, WORD, AND DEED, BY WHAT WE HAVE DONE AND BY WHAT WE HAVE LEFT UNDONE. WE HAVE NOT LOVED YOU WITH OUR WHOLE HEART; WE HAVE NOT LOVED OUR NEIGHBORS AS OURSELVES. WE JUSTLY DESERVE YOUR PRESENT AND ETERNAL PUNISHMENT. FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR SON, JESUS CHRIST, HAVE MERCY ON US. FORGIVE US, RENEW US, AND LEAD US, SO THAT WE MAY DELIGHT IN YOUR WILL AND WALK IN YOUR WAYS TO THE GLORY OF YOUR HOLY NAME. AMEN.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: AMEN.**

L O Lord, o - pen my lips,  
C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;  
C make haste to help me, O Lord.

C Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;  
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

Common: Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

**PSALMODY** **Venite** *O Come, Let Us Sing*  
**Antiphon**

L Behold, the Lord comes to save us.

C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

**C** 1 O come, let us sing . . . . . to the Lord,  
 2 For the Lord is a . . . . . great God  
 3 The sea is His, for He . . . . . made it,  
 5 Glory be to the Father and . . . . . to the Son

1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.  
 2 and a great . . . . . king a - bove all gods.  
 3 and His hand . . . . . formed the dry - land.  
 5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spir - it;

1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,  
 2 The deep places of the earth are . . . . . in His hand;  
 3 O come, let us worship and . . . . . bow - down,  
 4 For He . . . . . is our God,  
 5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,

1 let us make a joyful noise to . . . . . Him with songs of praise.  
 2 the strength of the hills is . . . . . His al - so.  
 3 let us kneel before the . . . . . Lord, our mak - er.  
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep - of His hand.  
 5 is now, and will be for - - - ev - er. A - men.

**L** Behold, the Lord comes to save us.

**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

**Second Psalm** Psalm 29*(Sung responsively by verse)*

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly | beings,\*  
    ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

**ASCRIBE TO THE LORD THE GLORY | DUE HIS NAME;\***

**WORSHIP THE LORD IN THE SPLENDOR OF | HOLINESS.**

The voice of the LORD is over the | waters,\*  
    the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many | waters.

**THE VOICE OF THE LORD IS | POWERFUL;\***

**THE VOICE OF THE LORD IS FULL OF | MAJESTY.**

The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedars;\*  
    the LORD breaks the cedars of | Lebanon.

**HE MAKES LEBANON TO SKIP | LIKE A CALF,\***

**AND SIRION LIKE A YOUNG | WILD OX.**

The voice | of the LORD\*  
    flashes forth | 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 deer give birth  
and strips the | forests bare,\*  
    and in His temple all cry, | “Glory!”

**THE LORD SITS ENTHRONED O- | VER THE FLOOD;\***

**THE LORD SITS ENTHRONED AS KING FOR- | EVER.**

May the LORD give strength to His | people!\*  
    May the LORD bless His people | with peace!

**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.**

**OFFICE HYMN**    *LSB 874 O Splendor of God's Glory Bright***THE GOSPEL FOR YOUNG FOLK****FIRST LESSON**

Isaiah 42:1-9

<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.”

**P:**    O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C:**    **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

**SECOND LESSON**

Romans 6:1-11

<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.

**P:**    O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C:**    **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

**GOSPEL VERSE**

Mark 1:11b

P: Alleluia. You are My beloved Son;

**C: WITH YOU I AM WELL PLEASED. ALLELUIA.****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.****RESPONSORY**

*Verse*



**L** 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.  
 2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.  
 3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.

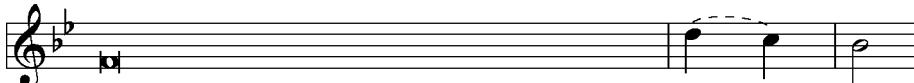
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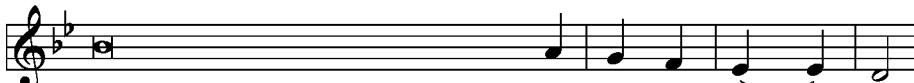
**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

**HYMN OF THE DAY**    *LSB 406 vv.. 1-4 To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord***SERMON****CANTICLE**    **Te Deum**    *(We Praise You O God)*

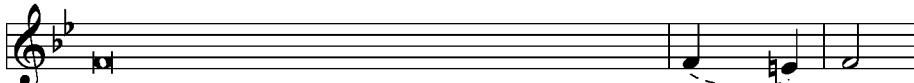
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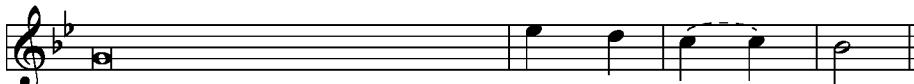
**C** 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.  
 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
 3 The noble army of martyrs praise You.



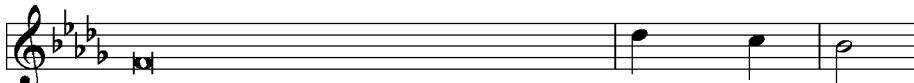
1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.  
 2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.  
 3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



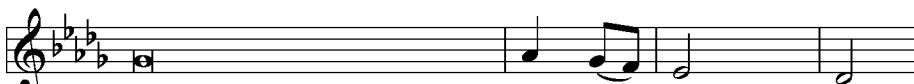
1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.  
 2 The glorious company of the apostles praise You.  
 3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;  
 4 You are the king of glory, O Christ;



1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:  
 2 The goodly fellowship of the proph - ects praise You.  
 3 also the Holy Ghost, the Com - fort - er.  
 4 You are the everlasting Son of the Fa - ther.



5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,  
 6 You sit at the right hand of God



5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.  
 6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.

5 When You had overcome the . . . . . sharpness of death,  
6 We believe that . . . . . You will come

5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.  
6 to . . . . . be our judge.

7 We therefore pray You to help Your . . . . . ser - vants,  
8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.  
9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.

7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.  
8 Govern them and lift . . . them up for - ev - er.  
9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.

7 Make them to be numbered . . . . . with Your saints  
8 Day by day we . . . . . magni - fy You.  
9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.

7 in glory . . . . . ev - er - last - ing.  
8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.  
9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### KYRIE

C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**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.**

**COLLECTS**

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with your spirit.

**Collect of the Day**

**P:** 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.



**C** Amen.

**Collect for Matins**

**P:** Almighty God, heavenly Father, Your mercies are new to us every morning, and You abundantly provide for all our wants of body and soul. Give us we humbly pray, Your Holy Spirit that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Your benefits, and cheerfully serve You.



**C** Amen.

**For Guidance in Our Calling***LSB p. 311*

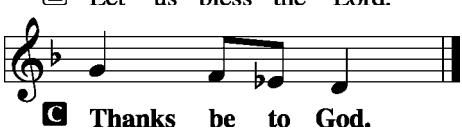
P: Lord God, You have called Your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go but only that Your hand is leading us and Your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**For Responsible Citizenship***LSB p.313*

P: Lord, keep this nation under Your care. Bless the leaders of our land that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to the other nations of the earth. Grant that we may choose trustworthy leaders, contribute to wise decisions for the general welfare, and serve You faithfully in our generation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Collect for Grace***LSB p.228*

P: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**BENEDICAMUS***LSB p. 227*

**BENEDICTION**

**P** The grace of our Lord <sup>†</sup> Je - sus Christ and the love of God  
 and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.  
**C** A - men.

**CLOSING HYMN**    *LSB 398 Hail to the Lord's Anointed***SILENT PRAYER**

*Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.*



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