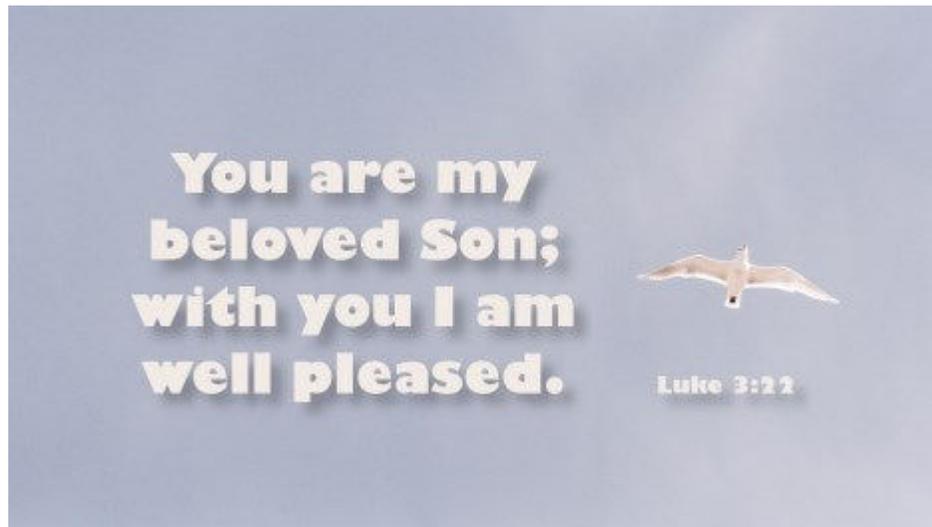


# Welcome

## Baptism of Our Lord

January 13, 2018



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## ORDER OF SERVICE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*Please stand*

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

### Call to Worship

P "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ,

C **so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."**

P Let us prepare our hearts to participate in holy worship.

C **Acknowledging our humanity, our mortality.**

P Filled with gratitude for God's amazing grace, let us come to be cleansed, to be refreshed, to be reassured of his deathless love.

C **"For the promise is for us, for our children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." In the name of the + Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*(Time for silent confession of our personal sins.)*

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Most merciful God, You have given Your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for His sake grant us remission/forgiveness of all our sins. By Your holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, so that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*(Pronouncement of absolution and forgiveness.)*

### HYMN

When Jesus Came to Jordan

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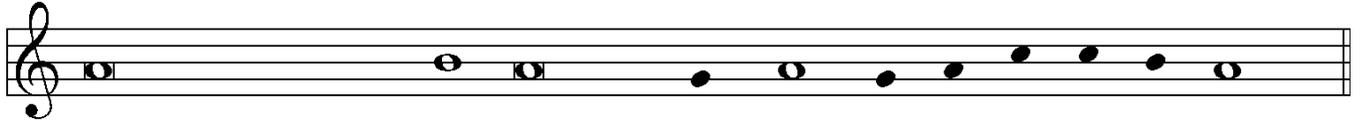
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

KYRIE



**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



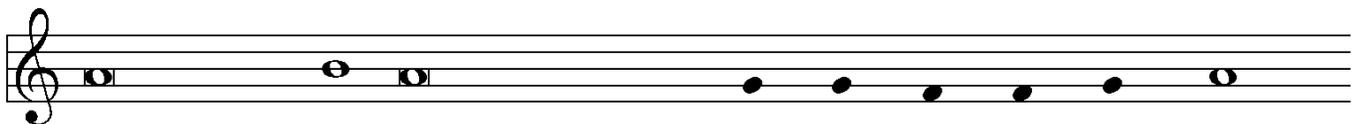
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



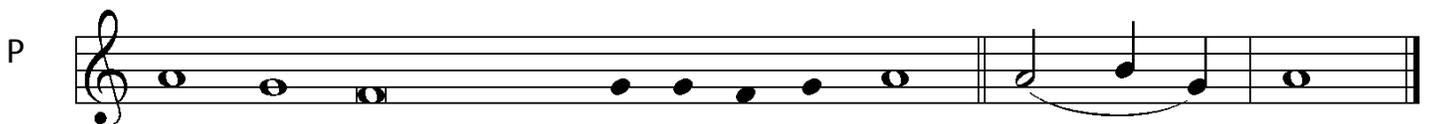
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE This Is The Feast



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



**B** Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, in Jesus' baptism you declared him to be your beloved Son and set him apart as your agent of grace for your creation. May we who are baptized into his life also be sent as agents of grace in your world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### FIRST LESSON Isaiah 43:1-7

1 Now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. 2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. 3 For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. 4 Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. 5 Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you. 6 I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, 7 everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 29 (sung in unison)

- 1 Ascribe to the | Lord, you gods,\*  
ascribe to the Lord glo- | ry and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory | due his Name;\*  
worship the Lord in the beau- | ty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;\*  
the Lord is upon the | mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a pow- | erful voice;\*  
the voice of the Lord is a | voice of splendor.

- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the | cedar trees;\*  
the Lord breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,\*  
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord | shakes the  
wilderness;\*  
the Lord shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the | oak trees writhe\*  
and strips the | forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple | of the Lord\*  
all are | crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;\*  
the Lord sits enthroned as | King forevermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength | to his people;\*  
the Lord shall give his people the bless- | ing of peace.

## SECOND LESSON Romans 6:1-11

1 What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 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. 5 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. 6 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. 7 For one who has died has been set free from sin. 8 Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. 11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 3rd chapter.  
**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Luke 3:15-22

15As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, 16John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." 18So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. 19But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, 20added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison. 21Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, 22and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

**P** The Gospel of our Lord.  
**C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*  
 SERMON

Pastor Thomas W. Corbell

*Please stand*  
 HYMN

*Baptized in Water*

WOV 693

## THE NICENE CREED

A God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.**

## C PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Let us pray for the Church, the world, and for all people according to their needs.

*Following each petition:* A: Lord, in your mercy,     **C: hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

- C Amen.
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

*Please be seated*  
OFFERING

OFFERTORY                      You Are Holy, You Are Whole – Arr. Raabe

*Please stand*  
OFFERTORY

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
 bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be  
 fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you. C And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**P** It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**SANCTUS**

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

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.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**P** In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray;

**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.**

*Please be seated*

## DISTRIBUTION

*All who are baptized and believe Christ is truly present within the elements of the bread and wine are welcome to God's table. Today we receive the sacrament by way of "intinction." After receiving the wafer, dip it into the wine. Grape juice is provided for anyone who is not able to receive the wine.*

## AGNUS DEI



**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, grant us peace.

## HYMNS DURING HOLY COMMUNION

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart	LBW 486
In the Quiet Consecration	LBW 223

*Please stand*

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** **Amen.**

**A** Let us pray.

God of abundance,

**C** **you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and † give you peace.

**C** **Amen.**

## HYMN

Lift High the Cross

LBW 377

## SENDING

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

## Lessons for Next Week:

Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 128; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**Nursing Home Residents** - Brenda Mahaley, Jane Peeler, Zarah Plyler, Pat and Wayne Miller, (Autumn Care), Bob Wilhelm & Ruth Monroe (The Meadows of Rockwell), and Ed & Betty Denker (Trinity Oaks, Apt. 123B). Horace Cross (Genesis).

**Homebound Members** - Ray Chambers, Bill and Mary Brady, Rachel Earnhardt, Ernest Sides, Billy Waller, Michael Walton, Betty Goodwin, Frances Norris, and Jean Kluttz.

**Sick/Surgery/Recovery**— Bob Goodwin, Glenn Eagle, Donnie Miller, Kay Morgan, Steve Hutchens, Larry Shepherd, Harold Miller, Susan & John Knight, Jean Ray, Grace Morgan, Pat Kluttz, Effie Vellines, Karen Plyler, Tommy Kerns, and Bill Broadway.

**Continual Prayer** - Pat Kluttz, Jane Stoner, (Grandmother of Noah Cauble), Marie Gorapic, (sister of Linda Spencer), Carol Cauble, (sister of Judy Walton), Marvin Nunn, Vanna Calloway, friend of Kat Clifton, Ophelia Curlee (sister-in-law of Grace Morgan), Karen DeMunbrun (Niece of Grace Morgan), Hong Nguyen (Pete Nguyen's mother), Justin West and David Mitchell (friends of Pete Nguyen), Austin Mowry, (friend of Karen Barringer), Robert Parker (brother of Jimmy Parker), Pat & J. C. Miller, Marvin Feezor, Derek Maner (friend of the Misenheimers), Ruth McSwaim, Mary Knapp, Suzanne Greene, Benny Myers (friends of Jan Huffman), Della Morgan (mother of Pam Vellines), Nancy Ballew (mother of Kat Clifton), Marc & Donna Collins (friends of Sharon Leazer), Evonne Batten (mother of Lisa Morgan), Robert Cook (uncle of Lisa Morgan).

### **THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

Sun. January 13 , 2019	10:30 am Worship and Holy Communion 3:00 pm Lay Ministry Meeting 4:00 pm Council Meeting
Wed. January 16, 2019	7:00 pm Scouts 7:30 pm Chancel Choir
Fri. January 18, 2019	5:00 pm Game Night
Next Sun. Jan. 20, 2019	9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship & Holy Communion

### **NOTICE TO THE CONGREGATION:**

There will be a congregational meeting on **January 27, 2019** directly after church service. The meeting is in regards to payment of monies borrowed from unrestricted funds for the Narthex Project. We will vote by ballot to select a payback plan.

## **ASSISTANTS SERVING THIS SUNDAY, January 13, 2019—Baptism of Our Lord**

Acolytes: Colin and Evan Misenheimer

Lay Reader: The Eddie Morgan Family

Communion Assistants: Deena Lanning and Karen Morgan

Ushers: Phil and Linda Cauble, Mike and Brenda Cauble, Frank and Dawn Merrell

Loose Offering: Gerald Bame Scholarship Fund

## **ASSISTANTS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, January 20, 2019**

Acolytes: Ethan and Ellie Wilhelm

Lay Reader: The Eddie Morgan Family

Communion Assistants: Deena Lanning and Karen Morgan

Ushers: Phil and Linda Cauble, Mike and Brenda Cauble, Frank and Dawn Merrell

## **UNION WOMEN SHOWING LOVE FOR CHILDREN**

Union Women will be collecting needed school items for the children of Hanford-Dole Community and Schools for our winter project. The following items are most needed: ear buds, boxes of tissues, disinfectant wipes, socks, plain sweat shirts (sizes 6 to kids XL), toboggans, dry erase markers, composition books (not wire bounded) and zip lock bags. Everyone is welcomed to help us with this project. Collection boxes will be placed in the church exits. Thrivent Action Project is assisting us in this project.

