

# St. John's Lutheran Church and School

January 13, 2019

*The Baptism of Our Lord*

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**NOTES ON THE SERVICE:** Today we recall and celebrate when Jesus himself was baptized in the Jordan river. Baptism is one of the most important rites of the Christian faith, and so today we take some time to review our teaching on Baptism, as well as consider why Jesus, the one who needed no remission of sin, was also baptized. Our sermon hymn this week, “To Jordan Came the Christ Our Lord,” is especially written to help us understand these two topics. It is written by Luther, who wrote a specific teaching hymn for each of the six chief parts of the Small Catechism: The Ten Commandments, the Creed, the Lord’s Prayer, the Lord’s Supper, Confession and Absolution, and Baptism. The other five hymns we have sung recently, but today’s hymn on baptism has not been used in this congregation for a long time, until the children sang it on John the Baptist Sunday back in Advent. Today, the choir will sing half of the stanzas for us, to help us re-learn this older melody. Because the subject is so important to our faith, be sure to follow along with the words in your hymnal while the choir sings their stanzas, in order to get the full picture of the blessing that this gift of grace from God bestows upon us!

**Prelude** “To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord” setting by Stephen Rosebrock  
“When All the World Was Cursed” settings by Michael D. Costello & Jan Bender  
“Rolling Jordan (To Jordan Came the Christ...)” -J. William Greene

## Announcements

**Opening Hymn: “When All the World Was Cursed”**

*LSB 346*

*Please stand for last verse*

## Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Confession and Absolution

**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.

### Opening Versicles

**P** This is the day which the Lord has made;

**C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**P** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

**C** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

**P** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

**C** Teach me Your paths.

**P** Sanctify us in Your truth.

**C** Your Word is truth.

**P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

### Kyrie

LSB 168

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

**C** Lord, have mercy.

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

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** 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.

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

**C** Lord, have mercy.

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

**C** Amen.

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 170



**A** Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav - en - 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 Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Sit

## Readings from Holy Scripture

### Old Testament Reading

*Joshua 3:1–3, 7–8, 13–17*

<sup>1</sup>Then Joshua rose early in the morning and they set out from Shittim. And they came to the Jordan, he and all the people of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over. <sup>2</sup>At the end of three days the officers went through the camp <sup>3</sup>and commanded the people, “As soon as you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God being carried by the Levitical priests, then you shall set out from your place and follow it.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD said to Joshua, “Today I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you.

<sup>8</sup>And as for you, command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, ‘When you come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.’”

<sup>13</sup>“And when the soles of the feet of the priests bearing the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off from flowing, and the waters coming down from above shall stand in one heap.”

<sup>14</sup>So when the people set out from their tents to pass over the Jordan with the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people, <sup>15</sup>and as soon as those bearing the ark had come as far as the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest), <sup>16</sup>the waters coming down from above stood and rose up in a heap very far away, at Adam, the

city that is beside Zarethan, and those flowing down toward the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, were completely cut off. And the people passed over opposite Jericho. <sup>17</sup>Now the priests bearing the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firmly on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan, and all Israel was passing over on dry ground until all the nation finished passing over the Jordan.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm** by Philip Magness

**THE PSALM**

Refrain: verse 8a,b (ESV)

Psalm 85

Phillip Magness

Let me hear what God the Lord will  
speak, \_\_\_\_\_ for he will speak peace \_\_\_\_\_ to his  
peo - - ple, to his saints.

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*A: refrain*

*A: LORD, you were favorable to your land;*

*you restored the fortunes of Jacob.*

*You forgave the iniquity of your people;*

*you covered all their sin.*

*You withdrew all your wrath;*

*you turned from your hot anger.*

**C: refrain**

*A: Restore us again, O God of our salvation,*

*and put away your indignation toward us!*

*Will you be angry with us forever?*

*Will you prolong your anger to all generations?*

*Will you not revive us again,*

*that your people may rejoice in you?*

**C: refrain**

*A: Show us your steadfast love, O LORD;  
and grant us your salvation.*

*Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,  
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;  
but let them not turn back to folly.*

*Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,  
that glory may dwell in our land.*

**C: refrain**

*A: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;  
righteousness and peace kiss each other.*

*Faithfulness springs up from the ground,  
and righteousness looks down from the sky.*

*Yes, the LORD will give what is good,  
and our land will yield its increase.*

*Righteousness will go before him,  
and make his footsteps a way.*

**C: refrain**

**Epistle**

*1 Corinthians 1:26–31*

<sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

**P**This is the Word of the Lord.

**C**Thanks be to God.

**Choral Anthem** “Down Galilee’s Slow Roadways” by Michael Burkhardt & Sylvia Dunstan

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse



The image shows a musical score for the Alleluia and Verse. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: Al-le - lu - ia. 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 be to Thee, 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

**P** The Lord will arise upon you, and His glory will be seen upon you.

**C** **Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.**

**P** Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

**C** **Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.**

**P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.**

## Creed

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

And 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.

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. Amen.

## Catechism – *The Lord's Prayer*

**P** The Second Petition

**C** Thy kingdom come.

**P** What does this mean?

**C** The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

**P** How does God's kingdom come?

**C** God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

*Sit*

## Children's Message

Hymn of the Day "To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord" Choir only on St. 1-3, 6

LSB 406

Sermon

*Baptism*

## Offering

Voluntary

**“All the Saints Adore Thee”**

*by Jeffrey N. Blersch*

*Stand*

**Doxology:** “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

LSB 805

## Prayer of the Church

### Lord’s Prayer

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** **Our Father who art in heaven...**

## Collect 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. 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, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## Collect for the Word

**P** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## Morning Prayer

**C** **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**



**C** Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

### Blessing

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### 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 His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

### Closing Hymn "Baptized into Your Name Most Holy"

LSB 590

Postlude "Preabulum in F" by Jakob Praetorius

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<b>Organist</b>	Miguel Ruiz	Miguel Ruiz
<b>Head Elder</b>	Mark Ewald	Mark Ewald
<b>Assisting Elder</b>	Rick Shepard	Rick Shepard
<b>Ushers</b>	8:00 am: Joel DuFrain 10:30 am: Todd Thoman	8:00 am: Joel DuFrain 10:30 am: Todd Thoman
<b>Acolytes</b>	8:00: Chloe Fuller & Jada Cobb 10:30 am: Abigail Niemeyer & Nina Stortzum	8:00: Ashlynn Smith 10:30 am: Aiden Cook & Vaughn Prince
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Toni Miller & Therese Miller	Toni Miller & Therese Miller
<b>Driver</b>	Karen Stoll 258-6377	Karen Stoll 258-6377

## Numbers will re-appear next Sunday.

### *Those In Need of Comfort, Health, & Recovery (Recently Added):*

Paul Welton

Linda Fleming – Friend of Derald & Sara Doehring

Steve Epperson – Brother of Pam Hensley

Helen Conrady – Niece of Derald & Sara Doehring

Nate Maxedon – Larry & Nancy Maxedon's Grandson

### Schedule for January 13 – January 20

<b>Sun</b>	8:00 & 10:30 am Worship 9:15 am Education Hour 1:00 pm Martin – FH 4:00 pm Rankin – Gym 6:00 pm 1 <sup>st</sup> Confirmation Questioning 7:00 pm Pickup B-ball	9:15 am Thursday AM Bible Study 1:00 pm Ladies Aid 5:00 pm Archery Tournament Meeting 6:00 pm Bball Game 7:00 pm Bball Game
<b>Mon</b>	8:00 am LOL 6:00 pm Bball Game	<b>Fri</b> 6:00 pm Bball Game
<b>Tue</b>	6:30 am Men's Bible Study @ Denny's 8:30 am Exercise Class 10:00 am Cards 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study	<b>Sat</b> 9:00 am Larson – Gym 1:00 pm Huddleston FH & Gym
<b>Wed</b>	7:00 pm Farmer – Gym	<b>Sun</b> 8:00 & 10:30 am Worship 9:15 am Education Hour 10:30 am Installation of Church Officers 4:00 pm Rankin – Gym 7:00 pm Pickup B-ball
<b>Thu</b>	8:30 am Exercise Class	

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## Church & School News, Events, & Announcements:

**Office Closed:** The office will be closed for staff development on Monday, January 14.

**The 1<sup>st</sup> Confirmation Questioning** will be today, Sunday, January 13 at 6:00 pm. Students should be in the family room by 5:45 pm.

**Voter's Meeting:** Our next voters meeting will be Monday, February 11 at 7:00 pm.

**Auction:** Ticket sales for the auction will go on sale February 1. Tickets will be available in the school and church office. Tickets are \$30 per person, \$50 per couple, and \$200 per table of 8. If anyone has any questions you may contact Andrea Walker at 273-8425 or Chantel Thompson in the school office at 234-4911. Thank you!

**Save the Date:** On March 16 the school will be hosting our Second-Annual Archery Tournament at the EIU Recreation Center. We will be in need of volunteers to assist in various tasks. We have our 1<sup>st</sup> organizational meeting on January 17 at 5:00 pm in the fellowship hall. If you can assist or need more info, please contact Trent Duckett or Larry miller. Thank you!

**Save the DATE! Chili Cook-Off/Supper:** If you are interested in entering your chili in the cook-off, call the church or school office. The date is January 27 after 10:30 am service.

**August Stortzum** has been moved to Mattoon Rehabilitation Center and would greatly appreciate visitors. His room number is 114.

**Installation of New Officers** will be next Sunday, January 20 at the 10:30 am service. If you were elected to any church board, please be at the 10:30 am service for the installation.

**Annual Reports:** All church organizations with a checking account must turn in a 2018 annual report to the church office. These reports are due no later than the end of February.

**Thank you** to Pastor Jacobsen, and our St. Johns family for all the kind words, cards, food, memorials, and condolences in the death of my brother, Scott Thomley. We are so thankful for all of you.

~ Corinne Thomley, Carole Wilson, and the family of Scott Thomley

**Box Tops:** Don't forget the school collects Box Tops. There are boxes at each entrance or you can take to the church or school office. Thanks!