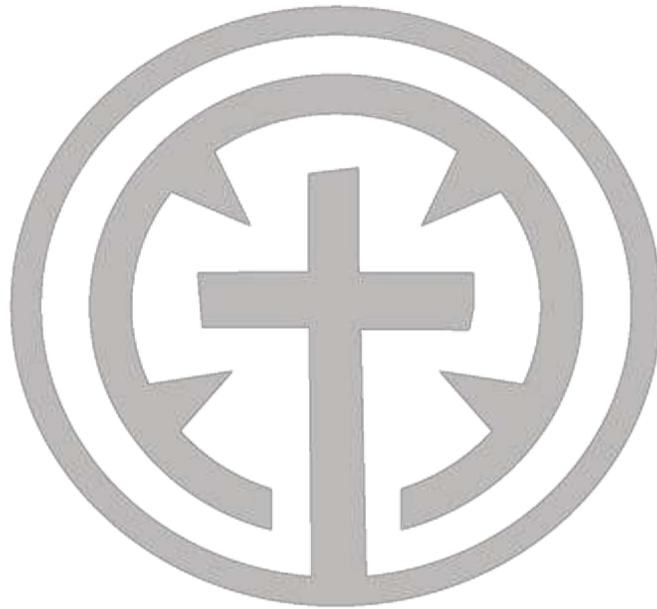


# *Faith Lutheran Church*

The Baptism of Our Lord

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Christian Education 9:15 a.m.; Divine Service 10:15 a.m.

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## ***Prelude***

*(Stand)*

- L** O Lord, open my lips,  
**C** and my mouth will declare Your praise.  
**L** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;  
**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.  
**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.  
Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia.

## **+ PSALMODY +**

- L** Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
**C** O come, let us worship Him.

*VENITE*

LSB 220

- C** O come, let us sing to the Lord,  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.  
Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving,  
let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
- For the Lord is a great God  
and a great king above all gods.  
The deep places of the earth are in His hand;  
the strength of the hills is His also.
- The sea is His, for He made it,  
and His hand formed the dry land.  
O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.
- For He is our God,  
and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
- 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.
- L** The Christ has appeared to us.  
**C** O come, let us worship Him.



*406 TO JORDAN CAME THE CHRIST, OUR LORD*

- 1 To Jordan came the Christ, our Lord,  
To do His Father's pleasure;  
Baptized by John, the Father's Word  
Was given us to treasure.  
This heav'nly washing now shall be  
A cleansing from transgression  
And by His blood and agony  
Release from death's oppression.  
A new life now awaits us.
- 2 O hear and mark the message well,  
For God Himself has spoken.  
Let faith, not doubt, among us dwell  
And so receive this token.  
Our Lord here with His Word endows  
Pure water, freely flowing.  
God's Holy Spirit here avows  
Our kinship while bestowing  
The Baptism of His blessing.
- 3 These truths on Jordan's banks were shown  
By mighty word and wonder.  
The Father's voice from heav'n came down,  
Which we do well to ponder:  
"This man is My belovèd Son,  
In whom My heart has pleasure.  
Him you must hear, and Him alone,  
And trust in fullest measure  
The word that He has spoken."
- 4 There stood the Son of God in love,  
His grace to us extending;  
The Holy Spirit like a dove  
Upon the scene descending;  
The triune God assuring us,  
With promises compelling,  
That in our Baptism He will thus  
Among us find a dwelling  
To comfort and sustain us.
- 5 To His disciples spoke the Lord,  
"Go out to ev'ry nation,  
And bring to them the living Word  
And this My invitation:  
Let ev'ryone abandon sin  
And come in true contrition  
To be baptized and thereby win  
Full pardon and remission  
And heav'nly bliss inherit."
- 6 But woe to those who cast aside  
This grace so freely given;  
They shall in sin and shame abide  
And to despair be driven.  
For born in sin, their works must fail,  
Their striving saves them never;  
Their pious acts do not avail,  
And they are lost forever,  
Eternal death their portion.

7 All that the mortal eye beholds  
Is water as we pour it.  
Before the eye of faith unfolds  
The pow'r of Jesus' merit.  
For here it sees the crimson flood  
To all our ills bring healing;  
The wonders of His precious blood  
The love of God revealing,  
Assuring His own pardon.

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## + READINGS +

### READING

Joshua 3:1–3, 7–8, 13–17

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. At the end of three days the officers went through the camp 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. . . .

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. 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.’” . . .

“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.”

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, 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), 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. 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.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*READING*

1 Corinthians 1:26–31

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. 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; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

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

*READING*

Matthew 3:13–17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. 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; and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

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

*RESPONSORY*

LSB 221

**L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

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

**L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

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

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

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

*SERMON*

**+ CANTICLE +**

*(Stand)*

*TE DEUM*

LSB 223

**☐ We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.  
All the earth now worships You, the Father everlasting.  
To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs therein.  
To You cherubim and seraphim continually do cry:  
  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;  
heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory.  
The glorious company of the apostles praise You.  
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise You.  
  
The noble army of martyrs praise You.  
The holy Church throughout all the world does acknowledge You:  
The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and only Son;  
also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.  
  
You are the king of glory, O Christ;  
You are the everlasting Son of the Father.  
  
When You took upon Yourself to deliver man,  
You humbled Yourself to be born of a virgin.  
When You had overcome the sharpness of death,  
You opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
You sit at the right hand of God  
in the glory of the Father.  
We believe that You will come  
to be our judge.  
  
We therefore pray You to help Your servants,  
whom You have redeemed with Your precious blood.  
Make them to be numbered with Your saints  
in glory everlasting.  
  
O Lord, save Your people and bless Your heritage.  
Govern them and lift them up forever.  
Day by day we magnify You.  
And we worship Your name forever and ever.**

Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.  
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.  
O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.  
O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

*(Sit)*

OFFERING

**"All Who Believe and Are Baptized"**

(LSB 601)

*All who believe and are baptized, Shall see the Lord's salvation;  
Baptized into the death of Christ, They are a new creation.  
Through Christ's redemption they shall stand  
Among the glorious, heav'nly band  
Of every tribe and nation.*

*With one accord, O God, we pray: Grant us your Holy Spirit.  
Help us in our infirmity Through Jesus' blood and merit.  
Grant us to grow in grace each day  
That by this sacrament we may  
Eternal life inherit.*

**+ PRAYER +**

*(Kneel/Stand)*

KYRIE

LSB 227

**C** Lord, have mercy;  
Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy.

LORD'S PRAYER

COLLECTS

**L** O Lord, hear my prayer.  
**C** And let my cry come to You.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 GRACE

**L** 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.

**C** Amen.

*(Stand)*

## BENEDICAMUS

LSB 228

**L** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION

LSB 228

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

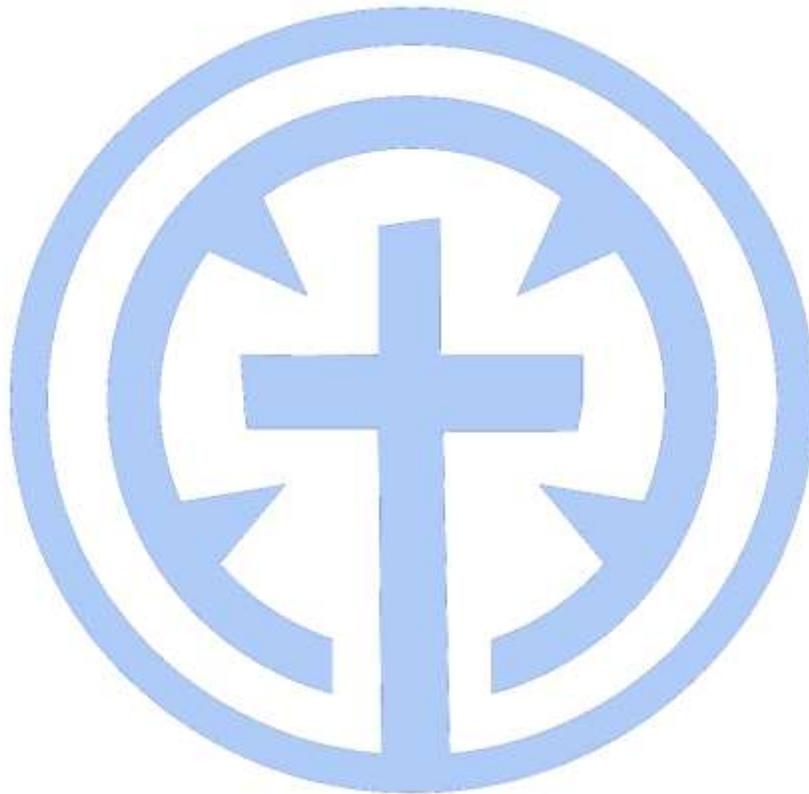
**C** Amen.

## 405 TO JORDAN'S RIVER CAME OUR LORD

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| 1 To Jordan's river came our Lord,<br>The Christ, whom heav'nly hosts adored,<br>The God from God, the Light from Light,<br>The Lord of glory, pow'r, and might. | 4 Then from God's throne with thund'rous<br>sound<br>Came God's own voice with words<br>profound:<br>"This is My Son," was His decree,<br>"The one I love, who pleases Me." |
| 2 The Savior came to be baptized—<br>The Son of God in flesh disguised—<br>To stand beneath the Father's will<br>And all His righteousness fulfill.              | 5 The Father's word, the Spirit's flight<br>Anointed Christ in glorious sight<br>As God's own choice, from Adam's fall<br>To save the world and free us all.                |
| 3 As Jesus in the Jordan stood<br>And John baptized the Lamb of God,<br>The Holy Spirit, heav'nly dove,<br>Descended on Him from above.                          | 6 Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute;<br>This man is Christ, our substitute!<br>He was baptized in Jordan's stream,<br>Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.                  |

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

January 11 <sup>th</sup>	“Masks Requested” Service	10:15 a.m.
January 11 <sup>th</sup>	“Heirs of Faith” Choir Rehearsal	6:30 p.m.
January 11 <sup>th</sup>	“Generations of Faith” Choir Rehearsal	7:30 p.m.
January 12 <sup>th</sup>	Circuit Pastors’ Meeting	9:00 a.m.
January 12 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Elders Meeting	7:00 p.m.
January 13 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday Bible Study (Live/Zoom)	9:15 a.m.
January 14 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday Bible Study (Zoom)	7:00 p.m.
January 17 <sup>th</sup>	Board of Directors Meeting	11:45 a.m.



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