

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 12, 2025

PRELUDE

*Three settings of St. George's, Windsor
(Songs of Thankfulness and Praise)*

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GATHERING SONG

This Is Our God

Wickham, Furtick, Lake, Barrett

WELCOME

Paula Weiss

OPENING HYMN

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

LSB 394 (vv. 1-2, 5)

1 Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
Manifested by the star To the sages from afar,
Branch of royal David's stem In Thy birth at Bethlehem:
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

2 Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
And at Cana wedding guest In Thy Godhead manifest;
Manifest in pow'r divine, Changing water in to wine;
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Present in Thy holy Word –
Grace to imitate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;
That we might become like Thee At Thy great epiphany
And may praise Thee, ever blest, God in man made manifest.

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10:45

***House of the Lord
This Is Our God***

*Wickham, Smith
Wickham, Furtick, Lake, Barrett*

OPENING

Pastor Patton

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

(Matthew 28:19b)

People: Amen.

Pastor: **(do not print or project)** Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, we were buried into Christ by Baptism into His death and raised with Him to newness of life. On this day when we remember the baptism of our Lord Jesus, we also remember our own baptism. I now call upon you to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we were first forgiven of our sin and made children of God.

Pastor: Do you renounce the devil?

People: Yes, I renounce him.

Pastor: Do you renounce all his works?

People: Yes, I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you renounce all his ways?

People: Yes, I renounce them.

Pastor: Is it your intention to continue steadfast in this faith and in the promise of Your Baptism and, as a member of the church, to be diligent in the use of the means of grace and prayer?

People: Yes, with the help of God.

Pastor: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting.

People: Amen.

Pastor: May He who began this good work within you bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray...**(do not print or project)** 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.

People: Amen.

HYMN

All Who Believe and Are Baptized

LSB 601

- 1 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 ev'ry tribe and nation.
- 2 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.

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RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

Aubrey and Aiden Loerop

Pastor Patton

BAPTISM HYMN

Jesus Loves Me

LSB 588

- 1 Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.
- 2 Jesus loves me! He who died Heaven's gates to open wide.
He has washed away my sin, Lets His little child come in.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

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APOSTLES' CREED (8:15 only)

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 where He shall 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.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Isaiah 43:1-7

But now, this is what the LORD says he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. ³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I give Egypt for your ransom, Cush and Seba in your stead. ⁴Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west. ⁶I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not hold them back. Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Romans 6:1-11

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

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Romans 6:9

8:15 - ALLELUIA

LSB 156

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 3rd chapter.

People: 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."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED (10:45 only)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, True God of True God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Paula Weiss

SERMON HYMN

To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord

LSB 407 (vv. 1-2)

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.

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GOD'S MESSAGE FOR YOU

What's in a Name?

Pastor Penny

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS AND SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

Everyone, please sign the friendship pad, then pass the pad from the outside aisle to the inside aisle.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Flourish
Handbell Choir

J. Krug

PRAISES AND PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN/SONG

8:15

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

LSB 922 (vv. 1-2, 4)

- 1 Go, My children with My blessing, Never alone.
 Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are my own.
 In my love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever.
 Go, my children, with My blessing – You are My own.
- 2 Go, My children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
 Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure.
 Here you heard My dear Son's story; Here you touched Him, saw His glory.
 Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.
- 4 I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace;
 I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace:
 I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
 Go, My children; I will keep you And give you peace.

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10:45

Forever Reign

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CLOSING EXHORTATION

POSTLUDE

Ar Hyd y Nos
(Go, My Children, With My Blessing)

F. Stoldt

EXIT SONG

Prodigals

Gruber, Curran, Finnesand