



The Baptism of the Lord
January 10, 2021– 9:30 a.m.
Order of Service – Mattins

Prelude: Herr Christ, der einig Gotts Sohn by Dietrich Buxtehude (c.1637 - 1707)

Hymn –When Christ's Appearing

Please remain seated as the opening hymn is sung

*When Christ's appearing was made know, King Herod trembled for his throne.
but he who offers heavenly birth sought not the kingdoms of this earth.*

*The eastern sages saw from far and followed on his guiding star;
by light their way to Light they trod, and by their gifts confessed their God.*

*Within the Jordan's sacred flood the heavenly Lamb in meekness stood,
that he, to whom no sin was know, might cleanse his people from their own.*

*And O what miracle divine, when water reddened into wine!
He spake the word, and forth it flowed in streams that nature ne'er bestowed.*

*All glory, Jesus, be to thee for this, thy glad Epiphany:
whom with the Father we adore and Holy Ghost for evermore.*

The earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

Habakkuk 2:14

Officiant: Dearly beloved, the Scripture moves us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul.

Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace.

Please kneel or be seated

General Confession

**Almighty and most merciful Father,
We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,**

**We have offended against thy holy laws,
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
And we have done those things which we ought not to have done;
And there is no health in us.
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.
Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults.
Restore thou them that are penitent;
According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord.
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

Officiant: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desires not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live, hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins. He pardons and absolves all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

V O Lord, open thou our lips;
R **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

V O God, make speed to save us;
R **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Please stand

V Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
R **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

V Praise ye the Lord;
R **The Lord's Name be praised.**

Please stand as choristers sing: The Surge, Illuminare *Isaiah 60:1*

*Arise, shine, for thy light is come, /
and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.
For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, /
and gross darkness the people.
But the Lord shall arise upon thee, /
and his glory shall be seen upon thee.*

*And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, /
and kings to the brightness of thy rising.
Thy gates shall be open continually; /
they shall not be shut day nor night.
The sons also of them that afflicted thee /
shall come bending unto thee;
And all they that despised thee /
shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet.
And they shall call thee the City of the Lord, /
the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, /
wasting nor destruction within thy borders.
But thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, /
and thy gates Praise.
The sun shall be no more thy light by day, /
neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee,
But the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light, /
and thy God thy glory.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, /
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, /
world without end. Amen.*

First Lesson – Genesis 1: 1-5 **Henry Popp**

Please be seated

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

V / The Word of the Lord. R / **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29:

*Please stand and recite the verses in **bold**.*

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, *
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; *
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

**The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; *
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the Lord splits the 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 oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.**

And in the temple of the Lord * all are crying, "Glory!"

**The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.**

The Lord shall give strength to his people, *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,* and to the Holy Ghost;

**As is was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, *
world without end. Amen.**

Te Deum Laudamus

Please stand as the Te Deum is sung

*We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.
To thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens and all the Powers therein.
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee;
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee;
The noble army of Martyrs praise thee;
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee,
The Father, of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true, and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.*

*Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of
heaven to all believers.*

*Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints, in glory everlasting.*

*O Lord save thy people and bless thine heritage;
Govern them and lift them up for ever.
Day by day we magnify thee; and we worship thy Name, ever world with-out end.
Vouchsafe O Lord to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in thee.
O Lord in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.*

Second Lesson – Mark 1: 4-11

Please be seated

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

V / The Word of the Lord. R / **Thanks be to God.**

Jubilate Deo

Please stand as we recite the Jubilate together.

**O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.**

**Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep
of his pasture.**

**O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise;
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.**

**For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting;
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.**

Apostles' Creed.

Please stand

**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 Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Catholic Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

Officiant The Lord be with you;
People And with thy spirit.
Officiant Let us pray.

Please kneel or be seated

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

V O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
R **And grant us thy salvation.**

V O Lord, save the Queen;
R **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

V Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;
R **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

V O Lord, save thy people;
R **And bless thine inheritance.**

V Give peace in our time, O Lord;
R **And evermore mightily defend us.**

V O God, make clean our hearts within us;
R **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

Collect of the Day

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant, that we, who know thee now by faith, may be led onward through this earthly life, until we see the vision of thy heavenly glory; through the same Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost lives and reigns, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

The Collect for Peace

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom stands our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect for Grace

O Lord our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated

Sermon: The Venerable Harry Dawson

Anthem: "Tomorrow shall be my dancing day" by John Gardner (1917 - 2011)

*Tomorrow shall be my dancing day: I would my true love did so chance
to see the legend of my play, to call my true love to my dance:*

Refrain: *Sing, O my love, O my love, my love, my love; this have I done for my true love.*

*Then I was born of a virgin pure, of her I took fleshly substance;
thus was I knit to man's nature, to call my true love to my dance: (Refrain)*

*In a manger laid and wrapped I was, so very poor this was my chance,
betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass, to call my true love to my dance: (Refrain)*

*Then afterwards baptized I was; the Holy Ghost on me did glance,
my Father's voice heard from above, to call my true love to my dance: (Refrain)*

[Words: Traditional English Carol]

Prayers: **Amber Foulkes**

Please kneel or be seated

O God, you brought the Gentiles to your light to make known the One who is the true Light: We pray for the church and for the world, that the radiance of your love may be known to all peoples.

Let us pray for Peace on earth:

Heavenly Father, who by the glorious birth of your Son enlightened the darkness of the world: We pray that the light of his presence may shine more and more in the lives of all people, that being filled with his spirit of goodwill, the nations may inherit that gift of peace which he came to bring; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for the Church, and God's people throughout the world; especially for Susan, our bishop, for Harry and Mark, our priests, and for the people of Saint Jude's and our diocese:

Remember, O Lord, according to the multitude of your mercies, your whole Church, all who join with us in prayer, and all our brothers and sisters, wherever they may be, who stand in need of your grace and succour. Pour down upon us all the riches of your mercy, so that, preserved in soul and body, and steadfast in faith, we may ever praise your wonderful and holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** *From a prayer of the*

Eastern Church

Let us pray for our Queen and all who serve in her name:

O Lord, whose light reveals righteousness and truth, grant to our Queen and her government, to members of parliament and all in positions of responsibility, the guidance of your Holy Spirit. May they never lead the nation wrongly through love of power, desire to please, or unworthy ideals, but always love righteousness and truth; so may your kingdom be advanced and your name be hallowed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for our province; asking God's wisdom to inspire all who are working to contain the spread of the corona virus; and patience and comfort for us all in this time of lock-down:

O God, our refuge and strength in every hour of need, send upon us your Holy Spirit to guide, strengthen, and comfort the people of our province; grant us courage and patience; and instill in us the desire to love and serve others, as we desire to love and serve you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for all who suffer; giving thanks for doctors and nurses, and for all who work to heal and restore the sick; In our parish we ask God's healing grace for those in hospital, and those recovering from surgery and illness; remembering in particular *Darryl, Brenda, Peter Ashely, Jennifer, Sebastian, Pat, Anise and Kathy...*

O God of love, whose compassions fail not: We bring before you the sufferings of all mankind; the necessities of the homeless; the sighing of prisoners; the pains of the sick and injured; the sorrows of the bereaved; the helplessness of the aged and weak; the loneliness of those shut-in. Comfort and relieve them, according to their several needs, and your great mercy, and help us to do our part; for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Let us remember before God the faithful departed, especially those who have died in recent days: [*Norma White, Winifred Beck, Pierre, Leigh Stojakovich*].

O Father of all, we pray to you for those whom we love but see no longer. Grant them your peace; and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for our homes and families:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: We ask you to bless our homes, and our families, and to keep us in our going out and in our coming in. Grant us day by day your strength and protection; watch over us in times of danger and necessity; and unite us with each other in your steadfast faithfulness and love; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us join together in giving thanks to God for His goodness, in the words of the General Thanksgiving.

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
We thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
For all thy goodness and loving-kindness
To us and to all people;
We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;
But above all for thine inestimable love
In the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
For the means of grace,
And for the hope of glory.
And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
That our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful,
And that we show forth thy praise,
Not only with our lips, but in our lives;
By giving up ourselves to thy service,
And by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
To whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without
end. Amen.**

A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.** 2 Corinthians 13:14

The Blessing

May Almighty God, who led the Magi by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you in your pilgrimage to find the Lord. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the River Jordan, pour out the same Spirit upon you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.**

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn –As With Gladness Men of Old

Please be seated

*As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;
as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright;
so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.*

*As with joyful steps they sped, Saviour, to thy lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before thee, whom heaven and earth adore;
so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy seat.*

*As they offered gifts most rare at that cradle rude and bare,
so may we with joyful song, raising voices pure and strong,
all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee our heavenly king.*

*In the heavenly country bright need they no created light:
thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down;
there forever may we sing alleluias to our king.*

Postlude: Prelude in C ("9/8")

by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

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