



**Pilgrim**  
LUTHERAN  
**Church**

## Divine Service



January 12, 2025  
Baptism of our Lord

# Opening Hymn

## O Living Breath of God



- 1 O liv-ing Breath of God, wind at the be-gin - ning up-on the wa - ters;
- 2 O liv-ing Breath of God, by whose pow'r the Son came to birth a - mong us;
- 3 O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing us to life through bap-tis-mal wa - ters;



- O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing the cre - a - tion to won-drous birth:
- O liv-ing Breath of God, who to the cre - a - tion gives life a - new:
- O liv-ing Breath of God, sigh-ing with cre - a - tion for free-dom's birth:

### *Refrain*



Come now, and fill our spir - its; pour out your gifts a - bun - dant.



O liv-ing Breath of God, Ho-ly Spir-it, breathe in us as we pray.

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## Confession and Forgiveness

*The assembly stands. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 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 and self-examination.*

Most merciful God,

**We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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**

*The minister stands and addresses the congregation.*

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

## The Sign of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## Songs of Praise

### Spirit Song

Oh let the Son of God enfold you  
With His Spirit and His love  
Let Him fill your life and satisfy your soul  
Oh let Him have those things that hold you  
And His Spirit like a dove  
Will descend upon your life and make you whole

Jesus oh Jesus  
Come and fill Your lambs  
Jesus oh Jesus  
Come and fill Your lambs

Oh come and sing this song with gladness  
As your hearts are filled with joy  
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name  
Oh give Him all your tears and sadness  
Give Him all your years of pain  
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name

Jesus oh Jesus  
Come and fill Your lambs  
Jesus oh Jesus  
Come and fill Your lambs

### Son of God

Son of God shaper of the stars  
You alone the dweller of my heart  
Mighty King how beautiful You are  
How beautiful

Son of God the Father's gift to us  
You alone were broken on the altar of love  
Precious Lamb our freedom's in Your blood  
It's in Your blood

Jesus oh Holy One  
I sing to You forgiven  
Savior I'm overcome  
With Your great love for me

Son of God strength beyond compare  
You alone the darkness cannot bear  
Lord of love Your kindness draws me near  
It draws me

Son of God prophecy of old  
You alone Redeemer of my soul  
Come again and lead Your people home  
Come lead us home

Jesus oh Holy One  
I sing to You forgiven  
Savior I'm overcome  
With Your great love for me

You are worthy You are worthy  
You are worthy of all my praise  
You are beautiful You are beautiful  
I will lift up my hands and sing  
(Repeat)

Jesus oh Holy One  
I sing to You forgiven  
Savior I'm overcome  
With Your great love for me

## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray...

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## First Reading

### Isaiah 43

1 But now thus says the Lord,  
he who created you, O Jacob,  
he who formed you, O Israel:  
Do not fear, 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,  
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

4 Because you are precious in my sight,  
 and honored, and I love you,  
 I give people in return for you,  
 nations in exchange for your life.

5 Do not fear, 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 them up,"  
 and to the south, "Do not withhold;  
 bring my sons from far away  
 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."

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

### Psalm 29

#### Tone



#### Refrain



#### Refrain: Your voice, O lord, is a voice of splendor.

- 1 Ascribe to the • Lord, you gods,  
 ascribe to the Lord glo- • ry and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory • due God's 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.**

#### Refrain: Your voice, O 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 the Lord makes Lebanon skip • like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a • young wild ox.**

7 The voice • of the Lord  
bursts forth in • lightning flashes.

**8 The voice of the Lord •| shakes the wilderness;  
the Lord shakes the wilder- • ness of Kadesh.**

**Refrain: Your voice, O lord, is a voice of splendor.**

9 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!"

**10 The Lord sits enthroned a- • bove the flood;  
the Lord sits enthroned as king for- • evermore.**

11 O Lord, give strength • to your people;  
give them, O Lord, the bless- • ings of peace.

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

**Refrain: Your voice, O lord, is a voice of splendor.**

## Second Reading

### Acts 8

14 Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. 15 The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit 16 (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). 17 Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Children's Message

**Gemma Rodriguez**

## Gospel Acclamation

**Your voice, O lord, is a voice of splendor.**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord!**

15 As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, 16 John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17 His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

18 So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people. 19 But Herod the ruler, who had been rebuked by him because of Herodias, his brother's wife, and because of all the evil things that Herod had done, 20 added to them all by shutting up John in prison.

21 Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, 22 and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

## Sermon

**Rev. Lew Upchurch**

## Confession of Faith

### Apostles' Creed

**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**

## Prayers of Intercession

*Following each prayer petition:*

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

## Offering



## The Sacrament of the Altar

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed our duty and our joy...evermore praising You and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of Your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed + is He who comes in the Name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.**

We proclaim the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

## Words of Institution

### 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.**

### O Lamb of God...



## Communion Song

### You Are Mine

I will come to you in the silence  
I will lift you from all your fear  
You will hear My voice  
I claim you as My choice  
Be still, and know I am near

I am hope for all who are hopeless  
I am eyes for all who long to see  
In the shadows of the night,  
I will be your light  
Come and rest in Me

Do not be afraid, I am with you  
I have called you each by name  
Come and follow Me  
I will bring you home  
I love you and you are mine

I am strength for all the despairing  
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame  
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free  
And all will know My name

I am the Word that leads all to freedom  
I am the peace the world cannot give  
I will call your name, embracing all your pain  
Stand up, now, walk, and live

Do not be afraid, I am with you  
I have called you each by name  
Come and follow Me  
I will bring you home  
I love you and you are mine

### Blessing

# Closing Hymn

## Go, My Children, with my Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.  
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

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## Announcements

### Glory to the King

I hear the nations sing holy  
Exalting the risen Lord  
Every heart rejoicing  
Jesus is our King forevermore

We lift our hands in worship  
We lift our voice in praise  
We stand before the throne of grace  
As we proclaim

Glory glory glory to the King  
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*Please use the basket in the Narthex to dispose of your used  
Holy Communion Cups as you leave the Sanctuary*



## Serving at Worship Today

### **Preaching & Presiding**

Rev. Lew Upchurch

### **Director of Music**

Mary Harper

### **Reader**

### **Greeters**

### **Ushers**

### **Acolytes**

## Upcoming Events



**Learn more about all upcoming events at [pilgrimsm.org/calendar](https://pilgrimsm.org/calendar)**

## Pilgrim Giving



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## Serve at Pilgrim



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## Bible App



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## Happening this Week

### **Sunday, January 12**

Bible Study, 9:00 am  
Divine Service, 10:00 am

### **Monday, January 13**

Alpha Prayers, 9:00 am  
*Online*  
*Contact Barbara P. to join.*

### **Tuesday, January 14**

### **Wednesday, January 15**

### **Thursday, January 16**

### **Friday, January 17**

### **Saturday, January 18**



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**we are an intergenerational community of  
worship and service**  
that invites the people of  
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**to flourish in the love of Jesus Christ  
through Word and Sacraments.**

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