



**Pilgrim**  
LUTHERAN  
**Church**

## Divine Service



January 11, 2026  
Baptism of Our Lord

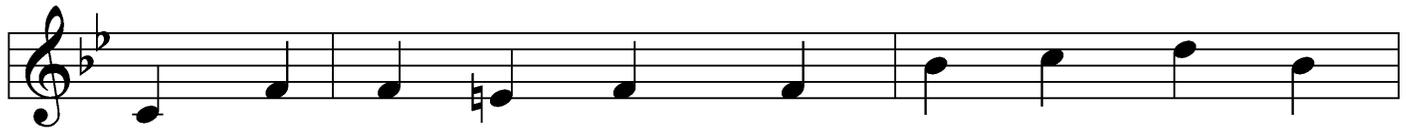
# Welcome

## Opening Hymn

### To Jordan's River Came Our Lord



1 To Jor - dan's riv - er came our Lord, The Christ, whom  
2 The Sav - ior came to be bap - tized— The Son of  
3 As Je - sus in the Jor - dan stood And John bap -  
4 Then from God's throne with thun - d'rous sound Came God's own



heav'n - ly hosts a - dored, The God from God, the  
God in flesh dis - guised— To stand be - neath the  
tized the Lamb of God, The Ho - ly Spir - it,  
voice with words pro - found: "This is My Son," was



Light from Light, The Lord of glo - ry, pow'r, and might.  
Fa - ther's will And all His righ - teous - ness ful - fill.  
heav'n - ly dove, De - scend - ed on Him from a - bove.  
His de - cree, "The one I love, who pleas - es Me."

## 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 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

### Come and See

Come and see the glory of the Lord  
Come behold the Lamb  
Come and see the mercy of the King  
Bowling down before Him

Come and give thanks unto the Lord  
Come behold the Lamb  
Come and sing the praises of the King  
Bowling down before Him

For He is Lord above the heavens  
Lord in all the earth  
Lord of all the angels  
Worthy to be served

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### **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...

O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, 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 42

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;  
I have put my Spirit upon him;  
he will bring forth justice to the nations.

2 He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice,  
or make it heard in the street;

3 a bruised reed he will not break,  
and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;  
he will faithfully bring forth justice.

4 He will not grow faint or be discouraged  
till he has established justice in the earth;  
and the coastlands wait for his law.

5 Thus says God, the LORD,  
who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
who gives breath to the people on it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:

6 "I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness;  
I will take you by the hand and keep you;

I will give you as a covenant for the people,  
a light for the nations,

7 to open the eyes that are blind,  
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

8 I am the LORD; that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to carved idols.

9 Behold, the former things have come to pass,  
and new things I now declare;

before they spring forth  
I tell you of them."

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

### Romans 6

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We 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.

5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 We 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. 7 For one who has died has been set free from sin. 8 Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. 11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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. Matthew the third chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord!**

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. 14 John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" 15 But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. 16 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; 17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

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

## 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, in your mercy, **receive 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...

## Ways to Commune

**Intinction** – Pastor places bread in hands. Communicant dips bread in chalice held by Communion Assistant.

**Sealed Cups** – Gluten-Free in Blue and Alcohol-Free in Pink are available (take to seat, and we will commune together).

**Prayer** – Approach the communion table with arms crossing your chest.



## Communion Song

### Come to the Water

O let all who thirst, let them come to the water.  
And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord:  
without money, without price.

Why should you pay the price, except for the Lord?

And let all who seek, let them come to the water.  
And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord:  
without money, without strife.

Why should you spend your life, except for the Lord?

And let all who toil, let them come to the water.  
And let all who are weary, let them come to the Lord:  
all who labor, without rest.

How can your soul find rest, except for the Lord?

All who are poor, let them come to the water,  
Bring the ones who are laden, bring them all to the Lord:  
Bring the children without might.

Easy the load and light:

Come to the Lord.

Come to the Lord.

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Come to the Lord.

I will run to you. I will run to you. I will run to you, my Lord.  
I will run to you. I will run to you. I will run to you, my Lord.

## Blessing

# Closing Hymn

## Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,  
2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;  
3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;  
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest-ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,  
And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;  
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;  
Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;  
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:  
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;  
That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
Thou by all wilt be con - fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

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## Announcements

## Indescribable

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea  
Creation's revealing Your majesty  
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring  
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings  
All exclaiming

Indescribable uncontainable  
You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name  
You are amazing God  
All powerful untamable  
Awestruck we fall to our knees  
As we humbly proclaim  
You are amazing God

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go  
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow  
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light  
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night  
None can fathom

Indescribable uncontainable  
You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name  
You are amazing God  
Incomparable unchangeable  
You see the depths of my heart  
And You love me the same  
You are amazing God  
(Repeat)

You are amazing God

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

# Sermon Notes



# Serving at Worship Today

## **Preaching & Presiding**

Rev. Lew Upchurch

## **Director of Music**

Mary Harper

# Upcoming Events



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