

JANUARY 10, 2021  
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD  
BAPTISM

10:00 A.M.



TODAY'S MINISTERS

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Rector

*Preacher*

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# THE ORDER FOR A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION WITH HOLY BAPTISM

## THE PRELUDE

### INSTRUMENTAL

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”

*Chris Massa, marimba; Gary Harger, organ*

by J. S. Bach

## WELCOME

*Canon Jonathan*

### HYMN

“Star in the East”

Words: Reginald Heber

Music: *Star in the East*, from *The Southern Harmony*

1) Hail the blest morn, see the great Mediator,  
down from the regions of glory descend!  
Shepherds, go worship the babe in the manger,  
lo, for his guard the bright angels attend.

*Refrain*      Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,  
dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;  
star in the east, the horizon adorning,  
guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

2) Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining;  
low lies his bed with the beasts of the stall;  
angels adore him, in slumber reclining,  
Maker and Monarch and Savior of all. *Refrain*

3) Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,  
odors of Eden and offerings divine?  
Gems from the mountain, and pearls from the ocean,  
Myrrh from the forest, and gold from the mine? *Refrain*

4) Vainly we offer each ample oblation;  
vainly with gifts would his favor secure;  
richer by far is the heart’s adoration;  
dearer to God are the prayers of the poor. *Refrain*

## THE ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant*      I will make you as a light for the nations,  
*People*            **that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.**  
*Isaiah 49:6*

*Celebrant*      There is one Body and one Spirit;  
*People*            **There is one hope in God’s call to us;**  
*Celebrant*      One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
*People*            **One God and Father of all.**

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*The Celebrant and People pray together*

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE CHILDREN'S TALK

*Alex Banfield Hicks*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*The People are invited to stand or kneel.*

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*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          **And with your spirit.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

*The Celebrant continues*

Eternal Father, at the baptism of Jesus you revealed him to be your Son, and your Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove: Grant that we, who are born again by water and the Spirit, may be faithful as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The People are invited to be seated.*

## THE LESSONS

### THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 42:1-9

*Read by David Kornfield*

42 <sup>1</sup>Here is 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. <sup>2</sup>He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; <sup>3</sup>a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. <sup>4</sup>He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

<sup>5</sup>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 upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: <sup>6</sup>I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, <sup>7</sup>to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. <sup>8</sup>I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. <sup>9</sup>See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

*Reader*          The Word of the Lord.

*People*          **Thanks be to God.**

*The People are invited to stand.*

THE GOSPEL  
Mark 1:7-11  
*Read by Mother Andrea*

*Assisting Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

*Assisting Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON  
*Alex Banfield Hicks*

HOLY BAPTISM

*The congregation remains seated while the Candidate and sponsors are invited to come forward.*

THE EXHORTATION

*Celebrant*

Dearly beloved, Scripture teaches that we were all dead in our sins and trespasses, but by grace we may be saved through faith. Our Savior Jesus Christ said, “Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God;” and he commissioned the Church to “make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” Here we ask our heavenly Father that this Candidate, being baptized with water, may be filled with the Holy Spirit, born again, and received into the Church as living members of Christ’s body. Therefore, I urge you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his abundant mercy he will grant to this Candidate that which by nature she cannot have.

THE PRESENTATION

*Celebrant* The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

INFANTS AND YOUNGER CHILDREN

*Candidates who are unable to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Godparents and Sponsoring Parents as follows.*

I present Talita Lucy Schalm to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*When the following promises are made by Godparents and Sponsoring Parents of infants or young children, the Celebrant addresses them.*

Today, on behalf of this child, you shall make vows to renounce the devil and all his works, to trust God wholeheartedly, and to serve him faithfully. It is your task to see that this child is taught, as soon as she is able to learn, the meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. She must come to put her faith in Jesus Christ, and learn the Creeds, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and all other things that a Christian ought to know, believe, and do for the welfare of her soul. When she has embraced all these, she is to come to the Bishop to be confirmed, that she may publicly claim the Faith for her own and be further strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve Christ and his kingdom.

Are you willing and ready to undertake this?

*Godparents and Sponsoring Parents*

**I am, the Lord being my helper.**

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

*The Celebrant then examines the Godparents and Sponsoring Parents who will speak on behalf of infants or young children, saying*

*Question* Do you renounce the Devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer* **I renounce them.**

*Question* Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer* **I renounce them.**

*Question* Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer* **I renounce them.**

*The Celebrant prays over the Candidate.*

Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and evil, and lead you into the light and obedience of the kingdom of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Celebrant continues*

*Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

*Answer* **I do.**

*Question* Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

*Answer* **I do.**

*Question* Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?

*Answer* **I will, the Lord being my helper.**

*The Celebrant then addresses the congregation*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

*The Congregation responds*

**We will.**

*Celebrant*

Let us join with this Candidate to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**I do.**

**I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

**I do.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**I do.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### LITANY FOR THE CANDIDATE

*Priest*

Let us now pray for this Candidate who is to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*People*

That this child may come to confess her faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

*Priest*

That she may continue in the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers.

*People*

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

*Priest*

That she may walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which she has been called, ever growing in faith and all heavenly virtues.

*People*

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

*Priest*

That she may persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever she falls into sin, repent and return to the Lord.

*People*

**We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

*Priest* That she may proclaim by word and deed the Good News of God in Christ Jesus to a lost and broken world.

*People* **We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

*Priest* That as a living member of the Body of Christ, she may grow up in every way into him who is the head.

*People* **We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

*Priest* That, looking to Jesus, she may run with endurance the race set before her, and at the last receive the unfading crown of glory.

*People* **We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

#### PRAYER FOR THE CANDIDATE

*Celebrant* *Remain standing*  
 Let us pray.  
 Almighty and everlasting Father, in your great mercy you saved Noah and his family in the Ark from the destruction of the flood, prefiguring the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Look mercifully upon this your servant. Wash and sanctify her through your Holy Spirit, that she may be delivered from destruction and received into the Ark of Christ's Church; and being steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love, she may pass through the turbulent floods of this troublesome world and come into the land of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### PROCESSION TO THE BAPTISMAL FONT

“Come, O Spirit (*Ven Espíritu*)” by Max Donoso and Victor Manieri

<p><i>Spanish</i>          Tu te entregaste sin condición;          y diste tu vida para darnos valor.          Ante tu trono          hoy podemos estar;          y como hijos tu nombre exaltar.</p> <p>Ven Espíritu y llenanos;          danos tu voz          para hablar de tu amor.          Que brille tu luz aquí Señor,          y guíanos a cada nación.</p>	<p><i>English</i>          In your surrender, you gave us life;          We are accepted by your sacrifice.          And now in your presence          we are able to stand;          and as we surrender, we lift up your name.</p> <p>Come, O Spirit, come and fill us up;          give us your voice          to speak of your love.          Let your light shine through on us, O Lord,          and send us forth all over the world.</p>
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#### THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And with your spirit.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John in the River Jordan when the Holy Spirit descended upon him as a dove.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are made regenerate by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*The Celebrant touches the water and says*

Now, Father, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit. May all who are baptized here be cleansed from sin, be born again, and continue for ever faithful in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

*The Celebrant says to the sponsors*

Name this child.

*Then the Celebrant pours water upon the Candidate three times, saying*

Talita, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

ANOINTING WITH THE OIL OF CHRISM

*Using the Oil of Chrism the Celebrant makes the sign of the Cross upon the forehead of the newly baptized, saying*

Talita, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF THE BAPTISMAL CANDLE

*The Celebrant lights a candle from the Paschal Candle and gives it to the newly baptized, saying*

Talita, receive the light of our Lord Jesus Christ who said: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

*Celebrant*

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, received her as your own child by adoption, made her a member of your Church, and raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit, that she may enjoy everlasting salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WELCOME OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

*Celebrant*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*All say together*

**We receive you into the fellowship of the Church.  
Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection,  
and share with us in the royal priesthood of all his people.**

#### PROCESSION BACK TO THE FRONT OF THE CHURCH

“Come, O Spirit (*Ven Espíritu*)”

by Max Donoso and Victor Manieri

*Spanish*

Tu te entregaste sin condición;  
y diste tu vida para darnos valor.  
Ante tu trono  
hoy podemos estar;  
y como hijos tu nombre exaltar.

Ven Espíritu y llenanos;  
danos tu voz  
para hablar de tu amor.  
Que brille tu luz aquí Señor,  
y guíanos a cada nación.

*English*

In your surrender, you gave us life;  
We are accepted by your sacrifice.  
And now in your presence  
we are able to stand;  
and as we surrender, we lift up your name.

Come, O Spirit, come and fill us up;  
give us your voice  
to speak of your love.  
Let your light shine through on us, O Lord,  
and send us forth all over the world.

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#### THE PEACE

*The People are invited to stand.*

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*          **And with your spirit.**

*The Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

##### THE OFFERTORY

*The Celebrant says a sentence of Scripture.*

HYMN

“Christ, When for us You were Baptized”

*Music may be found at the end of this bulletin.*

Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895-1884), rev.  
Music: *Caithness*, melody from *The Psalmes of David in Prose and Meeter*, 1635;  
harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

*With Members of the Ascension Virtual Choir*

1) Christ, when for us you were baptized, God’s Spirit on you came,  
as peaceful as a dove and yet as urgent as a flame.

2) God called you his beloved Son, called you his servant true,  
sent you his kingdom to proclaim, his holy will to do.

3) Straightway and steadfast until death you then obeyed his call  
freely as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.

4) Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,  
that, likewise in God's service we may perfect freedom find.

#### THE DOXOLOGY

*The People stand while the offerings are brought forward.*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him, all creatures here below.  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### THE SURSUM CORDA

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And with your spirit.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord, you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### THE SANCTUS

*Celebrant and People*  
**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.**

## THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

*The People are invited to kneel or remain standing.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. And bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*      And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

*Celebrant and People together pray*

**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,**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE FRACTION

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the cross.  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

*The Celebrant gives this invitation*

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The Celebrant invites the livestream congregation who are unable to come to the church  
and receive Communion to pray the following prayer.*

## THE PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

**Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

INSTRUMENTAL

*In Dulci Jubilo*  
*Gary Harger, organ*

arr. Denis Bedard

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*The service in the nave continues and the People are invited to stand or kneel .*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People together pray*

Heavenly Father,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now Father,

send us out to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

*The Celebrant gives this blessing*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The People are invited to stand.*

## THE DISMISSAL

*Assisting Priest* Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## THE POSTLUDE

“Now Dance and Sing, ye Christians All”  
*Gary Harger, organ*

by J. S. Bach

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“Christ, When for us You were Baptized”

*The Hymnal 1982 #121*

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,  
2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,  
3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call  
4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.  
sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.  
free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.  
that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

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Music: *Caithness*, melody from *The Psalms of David in Prose and Meeter*, 1635;  
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