Epiphany 01 Baptism of Jesus

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Celebrate (Introduction)

"In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus is revealed as the beloved Son of God. Through this great epiphany, Jesus fulfills all righteousness and becomes the servant of God who will bring forth justice and be a light to the nations. In the waters of baptism we too are washed by the Word, anointed by the Spirit, and named God's beloved children. Our baptismal mission is to proclaim good news to all who are oppressed or in need of God's healing."

Opening Hymn: <u>ELW 303 – Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning</u>

Psalmody: Psalm 29

The Voice of God in a Great Storm

A Psalm of David.

 ¹ Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
 ² Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendor.

³ The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

⁴The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
⁶ He makes Lebanon skip like a calf and Sirion like a young wild ox.

 ⁷ The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
 ⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. ⁹The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl and strips the forest bare, and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

¹¹ May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Prayer of the Day

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.

Hymn of Praise: ELW 310 – Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

1st Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

2nd Reading: Acts 10:34-43

The Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Hymn: ELW 304 - Christ, When for Us You were Baptized

The Message: (Sermon Audio Link)

Offering*: (<u>On-Line giving Link</u>)

We give thee but thine own, what e'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

The Prayer

We pray for all who need your comforting and healing presence especially Pam Ash, Heidi Brackbill, Parker Brennan, Alexis Erdman, Samantha Erdman, Jeff Fultz, Mary Goehring, Mark Hughes, the Johnson family, Faith Jolly, Robert Karner, Charles Larsen, Charlotte Leer, the McNamara family, Donna Mayhew, Wendy Neumann, Julie Obie, Elise Oliver, Peter Olsen, Debra Pastor, Brenda Penyak, Dottie Reitz, Robert Reitz, Chrissy Roth, Katie Roth, Colin Shea, Jerry Shea Jack Smith, the Spiegler family, Esther Trautwein, and Pastor Jack.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

The Benediction The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face shine upon you;

The Lord lift up His presence upon you and give you peace. Amen

And now my brothers and sisters Live on knowing God's love, The joy of living this life of love, And the peace which only comes through the power of His presence within you. So live on in Love, Joy, Peace, and Power.

Closing Hymn: ELW 301 - Bright and Glorious is the Sky

Announcements

- Christmas Nativity Village final Sunday TODAY! 11:00 am 2:00 pm
- Taking Down the Greens Saturday, 1/14/2023 10:00 am
- Lady Terps Basketball Game Sunday, 2/12/2023 at 1:00 pm, Adults \$30, Kids FREE please contact Bob Hardy ASAP to reserve a ticket

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