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THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

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405 To Jordan's River Came Our Lord

- 1 To Jordan's river came our Lord, The Christ, whom heav'nly hosts adored,
The God from God, the Light from Light, The Lord of glory, pow'r, and might.
- 2 The Savior came to be baptized—The Son of God in flesh disguised—
To stand beneath the Father's will And all His righteousness fulfill.
- 3 As Jesus in the Jordan stood And John baptized the Lamb of God,
The Holy Spirit, heav'nly dove, Descended on Him from above.
- 4 Then from God's throne with thund'rous sound Came God's own voice with
words profound: "This is My Son," was His decree,
"The one I love, who pleases Me."
- 5 The Father's word, the Spirit's flight Anointed Christ in glorious sight
As God's own choice, from Adam's fall To save the world and free us all.
- 6 Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute; This man is Christ, our substitute!
He was baptized in Jordan's stream, Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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Opening Versicles

- L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
 - C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**
 - L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
 - C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
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- L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

- C** **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**
 - L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
 - C** **Teach me Your paths.**
 - L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
 - C** **Your Word is truth.**
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- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
 - C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**
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- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Old Testament Canticle *LSB 261*

- C** **The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.**

With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.

And you will say in that day:

**"Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name,
make known His deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that His name is exalted."**

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

**Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.**

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitants of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

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

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Readings From Holy Scripture

Reading *Psalms 85*

LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin.
You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.

Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us!
Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations?
Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?
Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people,
to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly. Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.
Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.
Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.
Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

Reading *Isaiah 42:1–7*

L A reading from Isaiah, the forty-second chapter.

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.
He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be discouraged
till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.
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: "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,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Reading *1 Corinthians 1:26–31*

For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards,
not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world
to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong;
God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing
things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God.
He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God

made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption.
Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

Reading *Matthew 3:13–17*

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

Responsory

L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

G Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

G Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

G Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Ten Commandments

G You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant,
his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

G 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.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Sermon "Your Baptism and His"

398 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

- 1 Hail to the Lord's anointed, Great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, To set the captive free,
To take away transgression And rule in equity.
- 2 He comes with rescue speedy To those who suffer wrong,
To help the poor and needy And bid the weak be strong;
To give them songs for sighing, Their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying, Were precious in His sight.
- 3 He shall come down like showers Upon the fruitful earth;
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, Spring in His path to birth.
Before Him on the mountains Shall peace, the herald, go;
And righteousness in fountains From hill to valley flow.

- 4 Kings shall fall down before Him And gold and incense bring;
All nations shall adore Him, His praise all people sing.
To Him shall prayer unceasing And daily vows ascend;
His kingdom still increasing, A kingdom without end.
- 5 O'er ev'ry foe victorious, He on His throne shall rest,
From age to age more glorious, All blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never His covenant remove;
His name shall stand forever—
That name to us is Love.

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Prayer

- L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

L Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Collect for the Word

L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

New Testament Canticle *LSB 266*

C Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed.
Raised from the dead, He will never die again.
Death has no more dominion over Him.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all.
Living, He lives to God.
Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Blessing

L Let us bless the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

G Amen.

739 Precious Lord, Take My Hand

- 1 Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night,
Lead me on to the light. Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.
- 2 When my way grows drear, Precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone, Hear my cry, hear my call;
Hold my hand lest I fall. Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.
- 3 When the darkness appears And the night draws near
And the day is almost gone, At the river I stand;
Guide my feet, hold my hand, Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

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Logan – Tues; 8-12 **Tavistock** – Sunday: 3-4
Individual communion is available to anyone wishing to receive the Lord's body and blood, please e-mail or phone Pastor to schedule. As always, Pastor will be available any time to anyone needing spiritual support.

Lutheran Hour for next Sunday, Jan. 17th
"Lost in Wonder, Love, and Praise!" Mark 3
Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer
Hear this inspirational message on 820 CHAM at 8am or 920 CKNX at 9am next Sunday morning. Streaming audio and podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca

As legislated by the Province of Ontario, both churches are closed for in-person worship. All services will be virtual online only until further notice.

ANNUAL MEETINGS BOTH CHURCHES:

Unless things change drastically, annual meetings will be postponed till further notice due to COVID. **PLEASE still submit your reports by Jan. 20th** for Logan to Darlene and for Monkton to Vanessa or Marjory as we will still need to get the reports printed.

Please continue to contribute to your church as the financial responsibilities are ongoing.

Members of Logan, you can mail your contributions to Lorrie or drop them off in her letter box. You can phone (519-347-2587) her to let her know you have dropped something off.

Monkton members can mail cheques to the church or E-transfer to rlcmonkton@gmail.com (transfers will automatically be deposited, no need for security question).

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