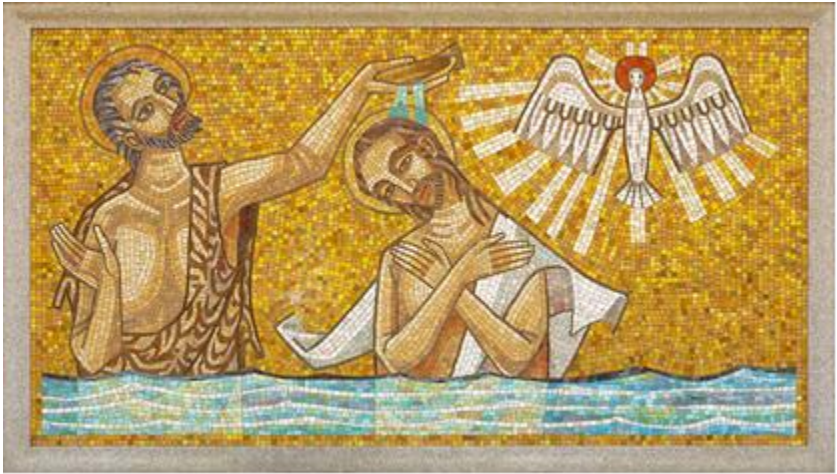


Messiah Lutheran Church
The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



The Baptism of our Lord

January 13, 2019

Divine Service I

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VISITORS WELCOME! A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service, and we pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

ATTENDANCE REGISTER: During the offering we ask that you sign the attendance register located at the center aisle of each pew. **Please hand the filled in sheet to the usher as you exit at the end of the service. Let the usher know if you don't have a pad in your pew.**

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

PRAYERS OF PREPARATION may be found in the opening cover of the hymnals in each pew. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

+SERVING TODAY+

Officiant: Pr. Roemke

Preacher: Bishop Vsevolod Lytkin

Elder: Mark Bernhardt

Greeter: Donna Boyd

Ushers: Mark Mielke, Scott Tobalsky, & Matthew Grenyo

Altar Guild: Diana Dissen & Marilyn Dissen

Adult Choir Director: Monica Scholz **Youth Choir Director:** Christa Hegland

Organist: Evone Hagerman **Brass:** Bob Trapp & Sarah Billings

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by Paul & Mary Rusch in honor of their wedding anniversary.

**+BLESSING OF GOSPEL BOOK+
and
+PROCESSIONAL TORCHES+**

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

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Dearly beloved, the Lord God by His Holy Spirit has caused all Scripture to be "written for our instruction, that through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope." Such learning takes place when we hear "the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience."

We also have this great promise from the Psalms: Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. (Psalm 119:105)

It is fitting that this Book of the Gospels and these processional torches be sanctified by the Word of God and prayer for use in the services of our Lord.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, You have given us Your holy Word to be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. We implore You to bless this Book of the Gospels and these processional torches. Enlighten the hearts and minds of those who read from it, and open the ears of all who hear the Gospel proclaimed from it, that by Your Spirit they may earnestly hold fast to Him who is the way, the truth, and the life, even Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this Book of the Gospels and these processional torches for use in His holy Church.

C **Amen.**

+CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+

Confession and Absolution

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+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Introit

Ps. 89:1, 26-28; antiphon: Liturgical Text; Ps. 89:20



Behold the Lord, the rul- | er, has come,*
and the kingdom and the power and the glory are | in his hand.

I have found David, my | servant;*
with my holy oil I have a- | nointed him.

**I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, for- | ever;*
with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all
gener- | ations.**

He shall cry to me, “You are my | Father,*
my God, and the Rock of my sal- | vation.”

**And I will make him the | firstborn,*
the highest of the kings | of the earth.**

My steadfast love I will keep for him for- | ever,*
and my covenant will stand | firm for him.

**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.**

Behold the Lord, the rul- | er, has come,*
and the kingdom and the power and the glory are | in his hand.

I have found David, my | servant;*
with my holy oil I have a- | nointed him.

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

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.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

Joshua 3:1–3, 7–8, 13–17

¹Then Joshua rose early in the morning and they set out from Shittim. And they came to the Jordan, he and all the people of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over. ²At the end of three days the officers went through the camp ³and commanded the people, “As soon as you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God being carried by the Levitical priests, then you shall set out from your place and follow it.” . . .

⁷The LORD said to Joshua, “Today I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. ⁸And as for you, command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, ‘When you come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.’” . . .

¹³“And when the soles of the feet of the priests bearing the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off from flowing, and the waters coming down from above shall stand in one heap.”

¹⁴So when the people set out from their tents to pass over the Jordan with the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people, ¹⁵and as soon as those bearing the ark had come as far as the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest), ¹⁶the waters coming down from above stood and rose up in a heap very far away, at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan, and those flowing down toward the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, were completely cut off. And the people passed over opposite Jericho. ¹⁷Now the priests bearing the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firmly on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan, and all Israel was passing over on dry ground until all the nation finished passing over the Jordan.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psallite

Adult Choir

*Sing your psalms to Christ,
the only begotten Son of God,
sing your psalms to the Redeemer.*

*A small Child lies in the manger.
All the blessed angels serve Him and sing to Him.*

*Sing your psalms to Christ,
the only begotten Son of God,
sing your psalms to the Redeemer.*

Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:26–31

²⁶For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

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

Stand-Face the Gospel Procession

Alleluia and Verse

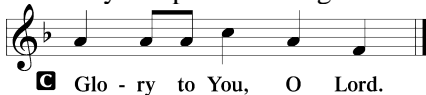


C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:13–17

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹³Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so

now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. ¹⁶And 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; ¹⁷and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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Alleluia and Verse



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To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord

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Youth Choir

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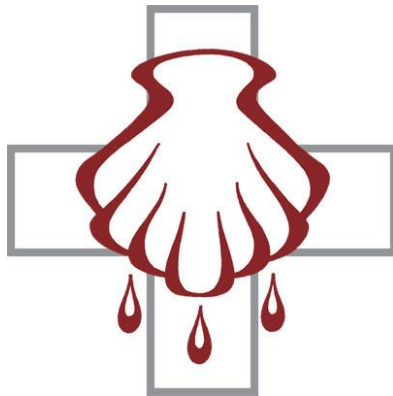
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Face Procession

All Who Believe and Are Baptized

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+PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Austin Nehls, Michael Shafer, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Kevin Boyd, Rianon Padro, Sean Gleason, and for veterans.
- ✘ Shut-ins: Lillian Sciortino, Richard Cleereman, and George Metallo.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Lorraine Swift, Elaine Roloff (Evone Hagerman's mother), Angela Wilz (sister of Monica Scholz), Katy Billings, Carol Hernandez, Rhoda (friend of Anita Brothers), Billy Weathersby, Kathy Judson (recovering from surgery), Helga Schriner (mother of Monica Scholz), Henry Grenyo, David Scholz (Ted's brother), Alberta Helmke, Vern and Judy Stern (uncle and aunt of Sarah Billings), Debbie Snodgrass, Betsy Schmeiser, and Matthew Orr (grandson-in-law of Betty Boness).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 13, 2019+

- ❖ **DOOR OFFERING:** Today we will be collecting a door offering to support the Siberian Lutheran Mission Society.
- ❖ **PLEASE JOIN US** after the service as we enjoy a potluck meal and a presentation by Bishop Lytkin. This afternoon come back at 3:30 for a special Vespers service. Refreshments will follow.
- ❖ **MOBILE DIRECTORY:** Our mobile church directory is now available. It is conveniently accessible from your computer or phone. Simply go to <https://mobiledirectory.lifetouch.com/393717/messiah-lutheran-church> using the browser on your phone or computer and when prompted, enter the access code _____ Simply click on a family to see the contact information you need. If you are on your phone, you can tap on a phone number and it will dial the number for you. Email addresses are similarly hyper-linked. You can also download a pdf of the directory from the mobile site to save to your computer if you like for offline viewing. Lesa is able to update this directory as the need arises, so if any of your information changes, please let her know so we can be continuously up-to-date.
- ❖ **MEETINGS:** The Parish Planning Committee will meet this Thursday, January 17th at 6:00 pm and the Spiritual Life Council will meet the same evening at 6:45 pm.
- ❖ **LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS STUDY** will meet this Saturday, January 19th. We will begin with Matins at 9:30 am.
- ❖ **HIGHER THINGS RETREAT:** The annual retreat at Trinity Sheboygan will take place Feb. 15th – 17th. If your child would like to attend, please see Greg Grenyo for more information.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$4,330
Lord's Work Received 12/30-1/5:	3,201
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-1,129
Lord's Work Received 1/6-1/12:	4,428
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+98
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-1,031

ATTENDANCE 1/6: 132 Communed: 128

+ORGAN FUND UPDATE+

Amount Paid:	-30,000
Donations Received:	+19,090
Balance:	-10,910

BIRTHDAYS

1/14 Jeff Zuehls
1/15 Alex Gerlach
Nyssa Zuehls
1/17 Sandra Babel
Evone Hagerman

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

1/15 Kathy Dickey
1/16 Mike McConville

ANNIVERSARIES

1/17 Paul & Mary Rusch (49 years)