

# **Messiah Lutheran Church**

## **The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod**



**The Baptism of our Lord**

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**Divine Service I**

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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

**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** are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

**+SERVING TODAY+**

**Elder:** Mike Martin

**Ushers:** Mark Mielke & Brent Jiter

**Greeter:** Irene Bashinsky

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Kris Kochman & LeAnn Varvil

**Altar Flowers:** Today's altar flowers are provided by Mike & Debbie Snodgrass in memory of Bill Colombe.

## LSB 604

## Confession and Absolution

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## Introit

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



**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.**

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

**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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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

*Isaiah 42:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>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.

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

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

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

<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 on it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:  
<sup>6</sup>“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,  
<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.

## Gradual

*Ps. 72:18–19*



**Blessèd be the LORD, the God of | Israel,\*  
who alone does | wondrous things.  
Blessèd be his glorious name for- | ever:\*  
may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and |  
Amen!**

## Epistle

*1 Corinthians 1:26–31*

<sup>26</sup>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. <sup>27</sup>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; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

*Stand*

## **Alleluia and Verse**

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## **Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 3:13–17*

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

*Sit*

## **To Jordan's River Came Our Lord**

*LSB 405*

## **Sermon**

*Stand*

## **Nicene Creed**

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## **Prayer of the Church**

## **Offertory**

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*Sit*

## **The Only Son From Heaven**

*Choir*

## **+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

*Stand*

## **Preface**

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## **Sanctus**

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## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

## **Lord's Prayer**

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## **The Words of Our Lord**

## **Pax Domini**

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**Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

Distribution

**We Know That Christ is Raised**

*LSB 603*

**Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered**

*LSB 404*

**Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

*LSB 739*

**Baptized into Your Name Most Holy**

*LSB 590*

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis**

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**Post-Communion Collect**

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**Benediction**

**Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer**

*LSB 918*

**+ VDMA +**

**Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum**  
**The Word of the Lord endures forever**

### +PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Lena Roemke, Rianon Asbury, Exavier Padro, & veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Rylie Snodgrass, John Funk (friend of Steve and Sarah Billings), Michelle Knull, Linda Polcin, Anita Brothers, the Nevius Family, Nicole Padro (daughter of the Brayas), Jan Sandberg (mother of Jim Sandberg), Sarah Hagerman, Ken Gundlach (uncle of Sarah Billings), Wayne & Jeannie Pannette (brother-in-law and sister of Marilyn Dissen), Linda Davis (sister of Steve Billings), Larry Mills (friend of Mike & Sandy Martin), Jim Knuth, Mary Jo Jiter, Dave Dissen, and Rick Holtz.

### +ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 11<sup>th</sup>+

- ✘ **2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** are in your mailboxes. Please contact our Financial Secretary, Ted Scholz, if you have any questions about your statement.
- ✘ **POINSETTIAS:** Please take one (or more) home with you today if you would like. All others will be discarded.
- ✘ **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES:** The morning study at 9:30 will continue discussion of Zephaniah. The evening study at 6:30 will continue discussion of the Book of Concord and close with Compline.

### ATTENDANCE 1/4: 102

#### BIRTHDAYS

1/11 Aria Roiniotis  
1/12 Sarah Billings  
1/14 Jeff Zuehls  
1/15 Alex Gerlach  
Nyssa Zuehls  
1/17 Evone Hagerman

#### BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

1/12 Tamara Weathersby  
1/16 Mike McConville

#### ANNIVERSARIES

1/12 Mark & LeAnn Varvil (30 years)  
1/17 Paul & Mary Rusch (56 years)