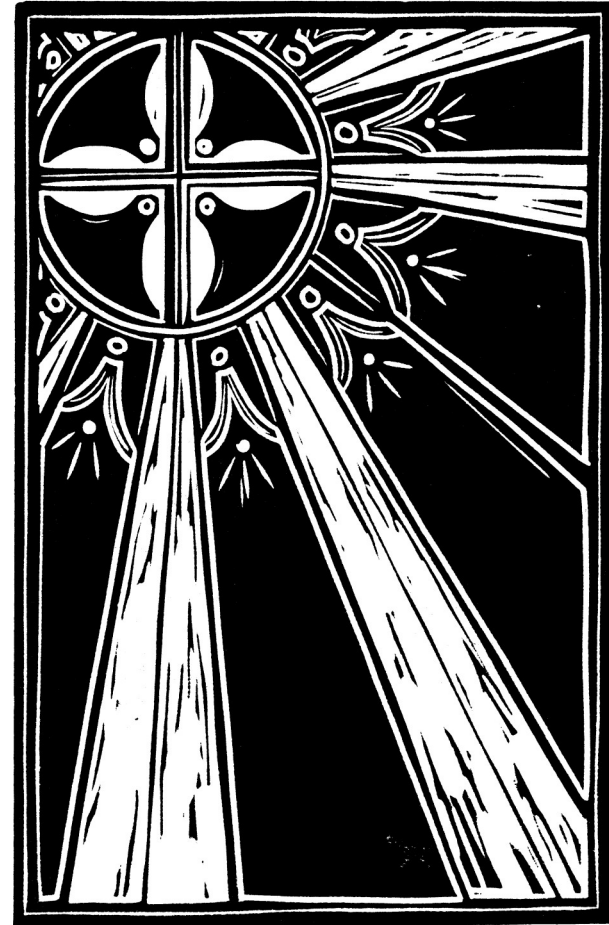


Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2020



Prayer of the Day

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

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Gathering

Welcome

Call to Worship: Psalm 29:1-4, 9-11 p.866

*Song of Praise: "Joy to the World" LUYH 92:1,2,4

*God Greets Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: "Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer" LUYH 660

Renewal

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:13-17 p.1499

Silent Prayers of Confession

Statement of Assurance: Romans 6:1-11 p.1754

Offertory Prayer and Offering of our Gifts

Each week at Covenant we receive a monetary offering to support the mission and ministry of the church. This morning's offering will support the Christian Education Fund which provides funds for the education of our children at one of our local Christian schools to help keep tuition down to a level that is affordable for most of our families.

Offertory Song: "Yet Not I But Christ Through Me"

1. What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer.

There is no more for heaven now to give.

***He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.***

To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus. For my life is wholly bound to his.

Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!

Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

2. The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,

for by my side the Saviour, he will stay.

I labour on in weakness and rejoicing,

for in my need his power is displayed.

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Distribution of the Elements

Communion Song: "Come to the Water"

1. O let all who thirst, let them come to the water.

***And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord:
without money, without price.***

Why should you pay the price, except for the Lord?

2. And let all who seek, let them come to the water.

***And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord:
without money, without strife.***

Why should you spend your life, except for the Lord?

3. And let all who toil, let them come to the water.

***And let all who are weary, let them come to the Lord:
all who labor without rest.***

How can your soul find rest, except for the Lord?

4. And let all the poor, let them come to the water.

***Bring the ones who are laden, bring them all to the Lord:
bring the children without might.***

Easy the load and light: come to the Lord.

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Communion Song: "I Will Give You Rest"

LUYH 666

The Thanksgiving: Psalm 103:1-4

Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the Lord, my soul; and forget not all his benefits—

who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the pit

and crowns you with love and compassion.

*Closing Song: "Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand"

LUYH 708

*Benediction

Table

We invite all who believe in Jesus as their Lord and Savior to come to the table to be fed and nourished. We believe that this is a family meal. Children who do not yet take communion may join their parents for a spoken blessing. If your children have shown an interest in taking communion, please contact Pastor Joel or your elder. This morning we will come forward to receive the elements. If you are in need of gluten-free bread, please indicate that to the servers.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Lord, you have compassion on every creature you have made;
Father in heaven, you sent your Son not to condemn
but so that the world can be saved.

Triune God, you are forming us to live in your love and reflect your glory.

Loving God, we thank you, now and forever, through Christ our Lord.

Therefore, we join our voices with all the saints and angels
and the whole creation to sing:

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

LUYH 538:1

The Institution (I Corinthians 11)

The Consecration

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died; Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Dying, he destroyed our death;

rising, he restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Prayer of Consecration concluding with the Lord's Prayer

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Invitation

***To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me.
Through the deepest valley he will lead.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.***

***3. No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,
the future sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
and he was raised to overthrow the grave.***

***To this I hold: my sin has been defeated. Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.***

***4. With every breath I long to follow Jesus,
for he has said that he will bring me home.
And day by day I know he will renew me
until I stand with joy before the throne.***

***To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus. All the glory evermore to him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.***

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Word

Children's Blessing: "Christ, Be Our Light" (*chorus only*)

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Children ages 3 years old through Kindergarten are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary to receive a prayer of blessing before going downstairs to the Multi-Purpose Room for a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Scripture: Isaiah 42:1-9

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Sermon: "Ah, Bright Wings"

Pastor Joel Kok

*Song of Response: "Arise, Shine, for Your Light Is Come"

LUYH 103:1-3

*We Profess Our Faith: The Apostles' Creed

LUYH 783A

We Share Our Joys & Concerns and Pray for Each Other