

The Baptism of Our Lord  
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596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized

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- 1 All Christians who have been baptized,  
Who know the God of heaven,  
And in whose daily life is prized  
The name of Christ once given:  
Consider now what God has done,  
The gifts He gives to ev'ryone  
Baptized into Christ Jesus!
- 2 You were before your day of birth,  
Indeed, from your conception,  
Condemned and lost with all the earth,  
None good, without exception.  
For like your parents' flesh and blood,  
Turned inward from the highest good,  
You constantly denied Him.
- 3 But all of that was washed away—  
Immersed and drowned forever.  
The water of your Baptism day  
Restored again whatever  
Old Adam and his sin destroyed  
And all our sinful selves employed  
According to our nature.
- 4 In Baptism we now put on Christ—  
Our shame is fully covered  
With all that He once sacrificed  
And freely for us suffered.  
For here the flood of His own blood  
Now makes us holy, right, and good  
Before our heav'nly Father.
- 6 So use it well! You are made new—  
In Christ a new creation!  
As faithful Christians, live and do  
Within your own vocation,  
Until that day when you possess  
His glorious robe of righteousness  
Bestowed on you forever!

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Introit

*Psalm 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a*

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,  
**my chosen, in whom my soul delights.**  
I will tell of the decree:  
**The LORD said to me, “You are my Son; today I have begotten you.**  
Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,  
**and the ends of the earth your possession.**  
You shall break them with a rod of iron  
**and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”**  
Now therefore, O kings, be wise;  
**be warned, O rulers of the earth.**  
Serve the LORD with fear,  
**and rejoice with trembling,**  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.  
**Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.**  
**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.**  
Behold my servant, whom I uphold,  
**my chosen, in whom my soul delights.**

## Kyrie

- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**  
**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**  
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**  
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** **Lord, have mercy.**  
**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**C** **Amen.**

## This Is the Feast

- A** This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.  
**C** **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**  
**Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His.**  
**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**  
**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**  
**This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also 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.  
**C** **Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 42:1–9*

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

## Gradual

*Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8*

- Praise the LORD, all nations!  
**Extol him, all peoples!**  
For great is his steadfast love toward us,  
**and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.**  
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
**bring an offering, and come into his courts!**

## Epistle Reading

*Romans 6:1–11*

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

## Alleluia and Verse

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- C** **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**  
**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel Reading

*Matthew 3:13–17*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.  
**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**  
  
**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## 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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## Sermon "Jesus' Baptism" Matthew 3:13-17

### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the  
dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and  
glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

### Prayer of the Church

- P** ...Lord, in your mercy:  
**C** Hear our prayer.  
**P** ...through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**C** Amen.

### Offering

#### Offertory (from Setting One)

- C** What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the  
Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

#### Preface (spoken)

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them to the Lord.  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.  
**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all  
places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared,  
proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes  
away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might  
escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory.  
Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven  
we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and  
saying:

#### Sanctus

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom ... O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when ... This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

**C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace,  
grant us peace.

## Distribution

## Thank the Lord

**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.  
Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and

we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## 537 Beautiful Savior

1 Beautiful Savior,  
King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee,  
Truly I'd serve Thee,  
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

2 Fair are the meadows,  
Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer,  
Jesus is purer,  
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine,  
Fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter,  
Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels in the sky.

4 Beautiful Savior,  
Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor,  
Praise, adoration  
Now and forevermore be Thine!

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