

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 9, 2022



Welcome to

St. Paul Lutheran

Making Disciples of All Ages

*We are happy to have you with us
this morning and pray that your
time of worship will be a blessing to you.*

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER 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. Amen.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER Thatcher Hawk, Carolyn Reisetter, Nathan Baggett, Betty Cornelius, Donna McCulloch, Lonnie Brickey, Cheryl Hallquist, Tony Bruscatto, John Horton, Mike Gibson, Carol Almanza, Lois Lucas, Carlyn Kline, Michelle Biesemeyer, Tim Brammeier, Garrett Goodwin, Mel Cundiff, Annette Thornton, Wally Campbell, Dorothy Caton, David Fritz.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY for the family of Chuck Horstman, who was called home to his Heavenly Father this week.

ABOUT THE COVER The voice from heaven announces, "You are My beloved Son." Jesus, though He has no sin, has joined Himself to sinners in a Baptism for the repentance of sins, which He did not need. Likewise, He was counted among sinners as He hung on the cross in atonement for our sins. He united Himself to us in order that He might bring us into His resurrection life. In Holy Baptism, we each have been united to

His cross and resurrection life so that we are dead to sin and alive to God.

Prelude 5th/6th grade band and 7th/8th grade band (10:45)

Opening Hymn

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Invocation and Confession and Absolution [Stand]

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, hear our confession, have mercy on us, and forgive us according to Your gracious will.

C: I, a poor sinner, plead guilty before God of all sins. I have lived as if God did not matter and as if I mattered most. My Lord's name I have not honored as I should; my worship and prayers have faltered. I have not let His love have its way with me, and so my love for others has failed. There are those whom I have hurt, and those whom I have failed to help. My thoughts and desires have been soiled with sin. I am sorry for all of this and ask for grace. I want to do better.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, peace, and forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Introit

Psalm 2

Behold my servant, who 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. Blessed 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, who I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

Kyrie Sung

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Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Gloria Sung

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**To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You Father; Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory, "Amen!" our glad reply.**

Collect

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

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. **Amen.** [Sit]

Old Testament

Isaiah 43:1-7

¹ But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

³ For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,
Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴ Because you are precious in my eyes,
and honored, and I love you,

I give men in return for you,
peoples in exchange for your life.

⁵ Fear not, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you.

⁶ I will say to the north, Give up,
and to the south, Do not withhold;

bring my sons from afar
and my daughters from the end of the earth,
7 everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

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!

Alleluia. You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.
Alleluia.

Epistle

Romans

6:1-11

¹ What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no

longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God. [Stand]

Alleluia and Verse Sung

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Luke

3:15-22

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁵ As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, ¹⁶ John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

¹⁸ So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. ¹⁹ But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reprovved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰ added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles Creed

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. [Sit]

Children's Message

Hymn
Our Lord

405 To Jordan's River Came

Sermon Rev. David Moore

Offering *You may also give online.*
(card)

(Please sign an attendance

up)
(Please pass the cards to the aisle for an usher to pick

Prayers and Lord's Prayer [Stand]

Each petition ends with:

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our 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 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.

Hymn

596 All Christians Who Have Been Baptized

(8:15)

Special Music 4th-6th grade choir (10:45)

Benediction

Greeting

THANK YOU to the children of grades 4-6 for singing this morning and the 5th-8th grade band for playing. The 4-8 grade children are taught by Mrs. Nicci Engle, Mrs. Lisa Smith, Mr. Noah Auger & Mrs. Sally Dunham. Thanks to our music director, Mrs. Karen Tollefson, and to Mrs. Helen Shade for accompanying the children on the piano and for playing the organ for the service.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	Worship	8:15, 10:45 am
Jan. 9	Bible Study and Sunday School	9:30 am
MONDAY	Sewing	9:30 am
	Ruth Circle	7:00 pm
	Red Lobster Night	5:00 pm
TUESDAY	Women's Bible Study	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	Next Sunday Lessons	7:00 am
	Sunday School Teachers Meeting	7:00 pm
SATURDAY	Men's Bible Study	7:30 am
SUNDAY	Worship <i>Communion</i>	8:15, 10:45 am
Jan. 16	Bible Study and Sunday School	9:30 am

Attendance Last Week: 118	Last Year: 152	Sunday School Attendance: 32
Offering Last Week: \$1,997		Received Year: \$1,997
Debt Owed: \$0		Expenses Year: NA
Building Fund Last Week: \$720		Received Year: \$720
Building Fund Needed Monthly: \$10,000		Received Jan: \$720

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL the children hear how God sent His messenger John to prepare the way for Jesus. John's father, Zechariah finds himself speechless until John's birth, then announces to all the special job of his son. Discuss with your family how John prepared the way for Jesus. What message did he share? How can we, too, be messengers for God?

NYG YOUTH MEETING tonight at 6:30. This is an important meeting as we continue to build relationships and plan our upcoming trip. Your first payment is also due this evening. Please make checks out to St. Paul Youth.

RED LOBSTER FUND RAISING NIGHT – is tomorrow, January 10, from 5:00 until close. Pick up a flyer by the bulletins, then treat yourself to dinner and support the youth at the same time. Red Lobster will donate 10% of dine-in and carry-out purchases made (with flyer) between 5:00 and close. All proceeds go toward the National Youth Gathering.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY begins this Tuesday, January 11, 7:00-8:30. We will meet in the Sr. Youth Room in the YMC. If you have not yet paid for your book, please bring your \$10 Tuesday evening.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS and anyone interested in teaching, please mark your calendars to join us on Wednesday, January 12, 7:00-8:00. We will preview the upcoming lessons and share craft and activity ideas. Dessert, coffee, faith-building and fellowship provided!!

SNOW CREEK FAMILY SKI TRIP is tentatively scheduled for Monday, January 17. We are waiting for more information from Snow Creek. Watch your email and next week's bulletin for updates.

DINNER WITH VICAR The Vicar would again like to invite you and your families to dinner. These will be on Thursday nights at 5:30. Signup sheets will be in the entryway. Each sheet is for a specific date, and will have an attached reminder for you to take home. We look forward to having you in our home.

OFFERING ONLINE Go to splcc.org, click on *Church* then click on the *Gift* at the top. You can also mail your envelope in the mail. If you have any questions on any of this please give us a call.

STEPHEN MINISTRY has started at St. Paul! - Stephen Ministry offers a way to organize and equip congregation members—called Stephen Ministers—to provide one-on-one, Christ-centered care to people in the congregation experiencing life difficulties. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister or receiving care from a Stephen Minister please contact Pastor Cundiff.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for streaming our services each Sunday. Please prayerfully consider using your time and talents to assist with this important part of our ministry. If you are interested in volunteering or learning more about what is involved please contact Mike Flowers at 816-617-8112.

TRASH BAG SALE continues. White and yellow bags are limited, so get yours before they are gone! Look for our table in the back of the lounge area by the fireplace. All proceeds go toward the National Youth Gathering in July.

ALTAR FLOWERS? The 2022 Flower Chart is on the bulletin board to the right as you enter the front doors of the church. Find the date that you wish to dedicate

flowers in celebration of an anniversary, birthday, memorial, or special event and write your name beside “Altar” or “Foot of the Cross”. As your Sunday nears (usually the Monday or Tuesday before), an altar guild member will call you to determine the amount you would like to spend (usually between \$35 and \$50), the event you wish to celebrate, and any special flowers or colors you want in the arrangement. The altar guild member calls the florist with the details. You simply put a check in an envelope with “Altar Flowers” written on the outside, and place it in the offering plate, or mail it to the church office. After the late service, a member of the altar guild then takes the arrangement to the sacristy and places it in a portable can for you to take home or to a loved one. Thank you in advance for providing for our worship services.

GRACE HOUSE URGENT NEEDS Dinner plates, Drinking Glasses, Spatulas n cooking utensils new, Towels in good condition, BIBLES English, Small new testaments, Lamps, Mens boots size 9 to 13 clean, Mens underwear 28 to 36 NEW, Mens jeans 28 to 34, Girls clothing sizes 2t to 8, Boys clothing. Sizes 5 to 12, Blankets good condition. Items can be taken to the Grace House during their normal hours of operation or placed in the tub under the coat rack.

THANK YOU Sincere thanks from Jerry and Wally Campbell for calls, cards, flowers, texts and especially prayers during our ongoing "Covid experience". We are humbled and so thankful for all who prayed and continue to pray for complete recovery. God answers! Thank you, church family!

PRAYER CHAIN Be added to St. Paul’s prayer chain. Keep up to date on church members and their friends and family that need our prayers. Email Kristy at: krrademann@gmail.com.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT UPDATES need to be emailed by *Wednesday morning* to Kristy at secretary@splcc.org.

JANUARY MESSENGER is available to pick up in the entryway and posted on our website.