



# OUR SAVIOUR'S

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Bringing Christ to the people and the people to Christ.*

We are a community of faith, formed in the grace and joy of Jesus Christ.

We are a people involved in God's sure and unfolding promise to mend His creation through the life, death and resurrection of His Son, and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are a church under the cross of Christ, shaped by the ancient rhythms of Christian worship, fellowship, and service to others.

*Come share the joy!*

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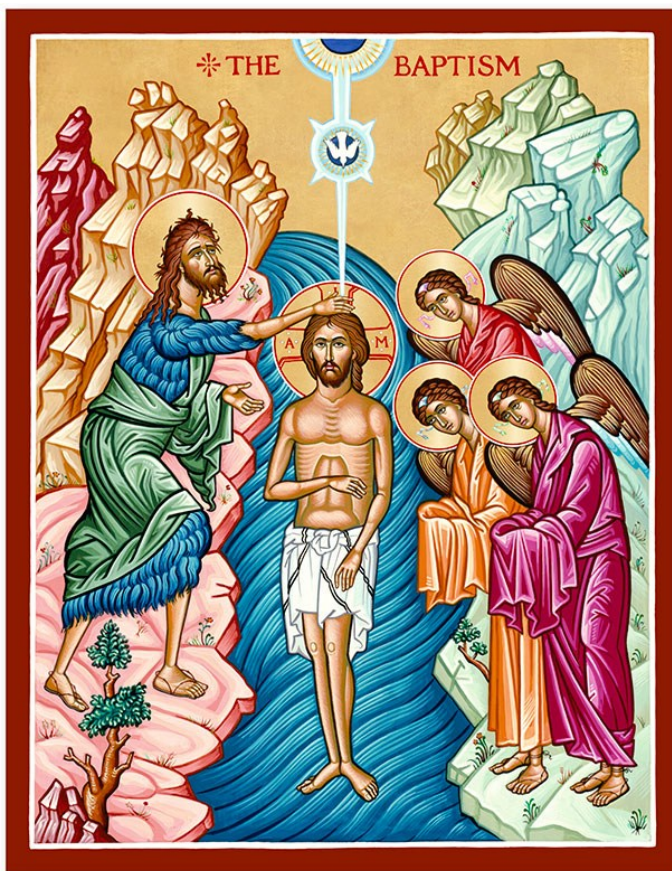
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BAPTISM OF OUR LORD (YEAR A)

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## Our Members, Guests and Visitors

We are all on a journey of faith;

God does not expect us to make the journey alone.

Our Office Hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

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**Prelude - Dr. Jaeyong Daniel Lee**

*You may use this time for silent meditation to prepare your heart for worship*

### Welcome to Our Saviour's

- Welcome! Whether you are a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you are a gift from God to us. Guests, please fill out the yellow Guest Connect Card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate.
- If you have any prayer requests, needs, or concerns, please complete the blue card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate.
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ SEE INSERT

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN ~ "BAPTIZED IN WATER" (*Blue Hymnal #693*)

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,	One with his rising, freed and forgiven,
Cleansed by the blood of Christ, our king:	Thankfully now God's praise we sing.
Heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,	
Faithfully now God's praise we sing.	Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
	Marked with the sign of Christ, our king:
Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,	Born of the Spirit, we are God's children;
Dead in the tomb with Christ, our king:	Joyfully now God's praise we sing.

### INVOCATION

P: We gather in this sanctuary, and we worship, in the name of the Father, and of the  
✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

### WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*As the Pastor says the Invocation, the Sign of the Cross ✠ may be made in remembrance of our Baptisms.*

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom  
no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy  
Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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 us and, for His sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I declare to you the Good News, "Your sins are forgiven," in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit

**C: Amen**

#### **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

#### **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**

**HYMN OF PRAISE ~ “GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST” (Green Hymnal p. 79)**

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.*

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

A: The Lord be with you.    **C And also with you.**

A: Heavenly Father, in Jesus’ baptism You declared Him to be Your beloved Son and set Him apart as Your agent of grace for Your creation. May we who are baptized into His life also be sent as agents of grace in Your world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

*Please be seated*

**THE SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING ~ ISAIAH 42:1-9**

L: The first reading is from the Prophet Isaiah, the 42nd chapter.

*“See Insert”*      L: This is the Word of the Lord.    **C: Thanks be to God!**

**PSALMODY ~ PSALM 29 (CHANTED)**

*“See Insert”*

**SECOND READING ~ ROMANS 6:1-11**

*“See Insert”*      L: This is the Word of the Lord.    **C: Thanks be to God!**

*Please stand*

**GOSPEL CANTICLE ~ “ALLELUIA, LORD” ~ (Green Hymnal p. 83)**

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 3rd Chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Matthew 3:13-17

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.    **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

**CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "I HAVE DECIDED TO FOLLOW JESUS"**

I have decided to follow Jesus;  
I have decided to follow Jesus;  
I have decided to follow Jesus;  
No turning back, no turning back.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE ~ PASTOR JEFFERY CARPENTER**

*Please stand*

**HYMN OF THE DAY ~ "JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE" (Green Hymnal #551)**

Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.	Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.
All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.	Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

**The Apostle's Creed**

A: Let us declare our faith using the words of the Apostle's Creed.

**C: I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I BELIEVE in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus.

Gracious Father, You are Lord of our beginnings and our endings... and of all that lies between. We praise You for the ways in which You find us, even when we want to hide. We praise You for how You have poured out upon us blessing after blessing, whether we're aware of it or not; for how You have reached out to us and come to us; for how You have spoken to us. Help us to commit ourselves to Jesus and to the family He has called us to be a part of – help us to be members of His visible body in our homes and community.

Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: Lord Jesus Christ, help us to discern Your will as individuals and as Your Church. Help us to give honor and glory to You, to be challenged enough that we have to rely on You, to grow enough in faith that Your body may be strengthened and Your Good News be proclaimed. Lord, in your mercy...

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: We hold before You the joys You have blessed us with, our families, our Church, our friends, and our world.

Thank You for the love between husbands and wives and ask You to bless those who are celebrating anniversaries this week.

Thank You for sharing Your children with us for a time and a season. Please bless those we know and love who celebrate birthdays this week.

Lord, In Your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

A: God of healing and hope, anoint the grieving with Your comfort, that they may know Your light even in the time of their deepest darkness.

Anoint those broken in body and spirit with Your healing, so that they may know You as Lord of all their days and as a present help in times of trouble.

Hear our prayers now for those we name now...

Lord, in your mercy...

**C: Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

**C: Amen.**

## THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.     **C: And also with you.**

At this time, we invite you to share the peace of the Lord with your neighbors

*Please be seated*

## OFFERING & OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Please stand and remain standing for Communion*

**Doxology ~ “Glory to God, We Give You Thanks” Ver. 1 (WOV #787)**

Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise;  
Of heav’nly joy and earthly peace we sing.  
We worship you, to you our hearts we raise,  
Lord God, almighty Father, heav’nly King.

## POST OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**C: We present to You these offerings, signs of our stewardship of what You have given us to manage. We know that through these offerings and the sharing of our talents and abilities, the ministries of Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church are made possible and powerful. We pray for those among us who will use these offerings, that the decisions they make will be wise, will build up Your Kingdom, and will please You. So having placed them before You, we pray Your blessing on them in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## THE HOLY MEAL

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 88 LBW**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up 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 indeed good, right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, He lived among us to reveal Your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to His own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow’r and might: Heaven 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.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: *Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in the remembrance of me.*



P: Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: *This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in the remembrance of me.*

P: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of His resurrection, we await His coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus**

P: Send now we pray, Your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of His resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of Your glory and receive our inheritance with all Your saints in light.

**C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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**

*Please be seated*

LAMB OF GOD ~ Green Hymnal P. 92

**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 & COMMUNION HYMNS:**

**"WONDERFUL MERCIFUL SAVIOR"**

Wonderful merciful Savior  
Precious Redeemer and Friend  
Who would have thought that a Lamb  
Could rescue the souls of men  
Oh You rescue the souls of men

*Chorus*

You are the One that we praise  
You are the One we adore  
You give the healing and grace  
Our hearts always hunger for  
Oh our hearts always hunger for

Counselor Comforter Keeper  
Spirit we long to embrace  
You offer hope when our hearts  
Have hopelessly lost the way  
Oh we hopelessly lost the way *Chorus*

Almighty infinite Father  
Faithfully loving Your own  
Here in our weakness You find us  
Falling before Your throne  
Oh we're falling before Your throne  
*Chorus*



"I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE" VSS 1-3 (Blue Hymnal #702)

I am the Bread of life	The bread that I will give
You who come to me shall not hunger,	Is my flesh for the life of the world,
And who believes in me shall not thirst.	And if you eat of this bread,
No one can come to me	You shall live forever,
Unless the Father beckons,	You shall live forever. <i>Chorus</i>

<i>Chorus:</i>	Unless you eat
And I will raise you up,	Of the flesh of the Son of Man
And I will raise you up,	And drink of his blood,
And I will raise you up on the last day.	And drink of his blood,
	You shall not have life within you.
	<i>Chorus</i>

"JESUS THE VERY THOUGHT OF YOU" (Green Hymnal #316)

Jesus, the very thought of you	O Hope of ev'ry contrite soul,
Fills us with sweet delight;	O Joy of all the meek,
But sweeter far your face to view	How kind you are to those who fall!
And rest within your light.	How good to those who seek!

No voice can sing, no heart can frame,	O Jesus, be our joy today;
Nor can the mind recall	Help us to prize your love;
A sweeter sound than your blest name,	Grant us at last to hear you say:
O Savior of us all!	"Come, share my home above."

*Please stand*

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.   **C: Amen**

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE:**

"NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD" VER. 3 GREEN HYMNAL #534

All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,  
The Son, and him who reigns With them in highest heaven,  
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore;  
For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

**C: We give You thanks, Almighty God, that You refreshed us through the healing power of the gift of life; and we pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us through this gift in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**

## BENEDICTION ~ Green Hymnal p. 95

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.

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

**C: Amen**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

“O JESUS, I HAVE PROMISED” Vss 1-3 (Green Hymnal #503)

O Jesus, I have promised

To serve Thee to the end;

Be Thou forever near me,

Master and my Friend.

I shall not fear the battle

If Thou art by my side,

Nor wander from the pathway

If you will be my guide.

Oh, let me feel Thee near me;

The world is ever near.

I see the sights that dazzle,

The tempting sounds I hear.

My foes are ever near me,

Around me and within;

But, Jesus, then draw nearer

To shield my soul from sin.

Oh, let me hear you speaking

In accents clear and still

Above the storms of passion,

The murmurs of self-will.

Now speak to reassure me,

To hasten or control;

Now speak and make me listen,

O Guardian of my soul.

## DISMISSAL

A: Go, live as disciples of Christ Jesus.

**C: Thanks be to God. And, we will!**

## POSTLUDE

### Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter:	Tom & Joyce Lewis and Clara Watkins
Acolyte:	Clara Watkins and Penelope Davis
Ushers:	Cliff and Sally Dengerud
Assistant & Cantor:	Blaine Davis
Reader:	Sarah Cumming
Communion Assistants:	Blaine Davis, Becky Chambers, Karin Davis
AV Booth:	Jason Bothner and Charles Cumming

### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES JANUARY 12-18

Monday	Ladies Night Out	5:30 PM
	Men's Group	8:00 PM
Tuesday	Quilters	9:00 AM
	Videtto small group	4:00 PM
	Spin	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Embroiderers	9:30-3:00
	Capo small group	11:00 AM
	Pastor small group	6:30 PM
Thursday	Bible Study	10:00 AM
	Prime Timers	11:30 AM
	Chambers small group	4:00 PM
	Watkins small group	6:00 PM
	CoDA	6:00 PM
Friday	Classical Conversations	9-3
Saturday	Altar Guild	
	Kern small group	9:00 AM
	Embroiderers	9-3
Sunday	Sunday School, Bible Study, & Choir	9:00 AM
	Worship Service	10:00 AM
	Annual Meeting	11:15 AM

#### Attendance

Sunday, January 4:	109
2026 Average:	109

#### Stewardship

Last Week's Offerings:	\$	4,962
2026 Total Offerings to Date:	\$	7,562

## PRAYER LIST

Our Members: Glory Gopinath, Limuel Norris, Linda Eck, Tom Criswell, Jim & Janet Anthony, Bill Thomas, Ed Lucas, Mary Ferguson, Sam Hough, Amber Tizcareno, Jeanine Franklin, Carol Barner, Gloria Guilfoyle, Kathleen Grant, Phyllis Guysinger, Margo Williams, Joanne Hill, Sarah Lyles, Diane Polley, Curt & Joyce Peterson

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“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” LBW 551 Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852-1933 Tune: Ludwig von Beethoven 1770-1827, adapt.

“Glory to God, We Give You Thanks” WOV 787 Text: Edwin LeGrice, based on *Gloria in excelsis Deo* Music: Walter Greateorex. 1877-1949

“Now Thank We All Our God” LBW 534 Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586-1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829-1878 Tune: Johann Cruger, 1598-1662

“Wonderful Merciful Savior” Authors: Dawn Rodgers, Eric Wyse CCLI Song #106879

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“Jesus, the Very Thought of You” LBW 316 Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814-1878, alt. Tune: John B. Dykes, 1823-1876

“O Jesus, I Have Promised” LBW 503 Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, alt. Tune: Neu-vermehrtes Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693 public domain

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