

The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ
January 9, 2022 8:45 am

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Baptized in Water

Michael Saward / Marty Haugen

Verse 1

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit, Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
Heirs of salvation, Trusting his promise, Faithfully now God's praise we sing.

Verse 2

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit, Dead in the tomb with Christ our King:
One with his rising, Freed and forgiven, Thankfully now God's praise we sing.

Verse 3

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit, Marked with the sign of Christ our King:
Born of one Father, We are his children, Joyfully now God's praise we sing.

Acclamation

pg. 355 in Book of Common Prayer

Collect for Purity

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

The Lessons

THE EPISTLE: *Acts 8:14-17*

¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Psalm: *Psalm 29*

¹*Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.*

²*Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.*

³*The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.*

⁴*The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.*

⁵*The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;*
⁶*He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.*
⁷*The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; *
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.*
⁸*The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.*
⁹*And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, "Glory!"*
¹⁰*The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King forevermore.*
¹¹*The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.*

GOSPEL: *Luke 3:15-17,21-22*

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

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

The Sermon

Nicene Creed

pg. 358 in Book of Common Prayer

Prayers of the People

Confession of Sin

pg. 360 in BCP

The Peace

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Music

Down to the River to Pray

Krauss

Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People ***And of thine own have we given thee.***

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People ***We lift them to the Lord.***
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing . . . to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

People ***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power 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.***

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God . . .
. . . Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
***We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***
And we offer our sacrifice and thanksgiving . . .
. . . By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours,
Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***
Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Music

Shall We Gather at the River?

Robert Lowry (1826-1899)

Shall we gather at the river, Where bright angel feet have trod;
With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God?

Yes, we'll gather at the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God.

On the margin of the river, Washing up its silver spray,
We will walk and walk and worship ever, All the happy golden day. *Refrain*

Ere we reach the shining river, Lay we ev'ry burden down;
Grace our spirits will deliver, And provide a robe and crown. *Refrain*

Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease,
Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace. *Refrain*

Postcommunion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934)

Dismissal

Postlude

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