

## **THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**

**Welcome!** Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. In our service we gather before our almighty God to receive strength through hearing God's holy Word. We also gather to offer him our worship and praise.

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**Welcome to our guests & visitors.** We are glad that you are here. Please join us again soon.

**We want you to feel welcome and comfortable.** Here are a few notes to help with that:

**Large print worship folders** are available. You'll find them at the entryway table. Please ask if we can be of help with this.

**Connection cards** are also located on the entryway table. We'd love the opportunity to get connected with you in additional ways – either in person or digitally. **You can hand the card to Pastor Glende, or simply place it into the offering box.**

**Restrooms** are located down the hallway on the right.

*And please ask if there are any other questions we can answer for you.*

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## OPENING HYMN

## SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness shining.  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us; set us free by the truth you now bring us,  
Shine on me, shine on me.  
Shine, Jesus, shine! Fill this land with the Father's glory.  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze! Set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow! Flood the nations with grace and mercy.  
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

Lord, I come to your awesome presence, from the shadows into your radiance.  
By the blood I may enter your brightness; search me, try me, consume all my darkness.  
Shine on me, shine on me.  
Shine, Jesus, shine! Fill this land with the Father's glory.  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze! Set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow! Flood the nations with grace and mercy.  
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

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*Please Stand*

## INVOCATION

- M:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. (2 Corinthians 13:14)
- C:** **And also with you.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS

- M:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C:** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

*Silence for Reflection*

- M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C:** **Amen.**

## HYMN

## SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness.  
Ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.  
Shine on me, shine on me.  
Shine, Jesus, shine! Fill this land with the Father's glory.  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze! Set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow! Flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## THE WORD

### OLD TESTAMENT

### ISAIAH 42:1-7

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations. **2** He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. **3** A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; **4** he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his teaching the islands will put their hope.” **5** This is what God the LORD says—the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out, who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it: **6** “I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, **7** to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.

**M:** The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## PSALM 45

M: My heart is stirred by a noble theme

**C: as I recite my verses for the King.**

M: You are the most excellent of men,

**C: and your lips have been anointed with grace.**

M: Gird your sword upon your side, O Mighty One;

**C: clothe yourself with splendor and majesty.**

M: In your majesty ride forth victoriously.

**C: Let your right hand display awesome deeds.**

M: Your throne, O God, will last forever and ever;

**C: a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom.**

M: You love righteousness and hate wickedness;

**C: therefore God has anointed you with the oil of joy.**

M: I will perpetuate your memory through all generations;

**C: Therefore the nations will praise you forever and ever.**

**ALL: 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.**

## NEW TESTAMENT

## ACTS 10:34-38

Then Peter began to speak: “I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism **35** but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. **36** You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. **37** You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— **38** how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

M: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## VERSE OF THE DAY

## MARK 1:11

Alleluia. You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased. Alleluia.

*Please stand*



**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.**

*sung:*                               **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.**

*Please be seated*

## **OFFERING**

*Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our gifts, purely out of thanks to him.  
Our offering goes to support the gospel ministry of our congregation and our church body, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.*



## **PRAYERS**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

(Matthew 6:9-13, Luke 11:2-4)

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

(Numbers 6:24-26)

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace, Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN 930**

## **GO, MY CHILDREN**

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## Schedule

<b>Today</b>	WELS Connection for January, video clip <b>Women's chat &amp; charcuterie</b>	following worship <b><i>following worship</i></b>
<b>MON</b>	Church Council meeting	6:30pm
<b>TUES</b>	Women's gathering / study	1pm
<b>WED</b>	Youth Catechism Class	6:30pm
<b>SAT</b>	Men's gathering / study <b>Bible Information Class</b> Connecting with Jesus: the importance of faith	9:30am 10:30am
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>MORNING BIBLE HOUR</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>Congregational info &amp; planning gathering:</b>	<b>9am</b> <b>10am</b> following worship

## Other Upcoming Events / looking ahead:

- **Voters' Meeting:** Sunday Jan 25 following worship.

## Announcements:

**Year end offering statements:** Because the number of people who utilize these is relatively small, please catch Teddy (or call / email into the church office) to make sure we know to get a statement printed for you ASAP if you do make use of this for your tax purposes.

**Offering envelopes for the new year:** Since there are fewer individuals/families who make use of envelopes for their regular giving, please notify Teddy (or call / email into the church office) if you'd like to have offering envelopes for the new year.

## Ongoing Volunteer opportunities:

- **Weekly Cleaning - sign up sheet is now online, to better give members who would like to help out in this way the opportunity.** Ask to get on the weekly email update for receiving the link for the google document for signup.
- **Property care - please share your phone number to Dewey Stevenson if you'd like to help with lawn care.** Dewey will add you to the text group that he contacts for covering the mowing, trimming, edging, etc.
- **Weekly snacks** – it's a "Yes!" You're welcome to bring something for snacks on Sundays. People love having a little something while we spend some extra time with one another. Thanks to everyone who does!