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BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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A few words and a handful of water are the only essential ingredients of baptism. They plunge us into a pool of meaning and mystery deep enough to swim around in forever. ~ David Gambrell

~ GATHERING ~

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Psalm 29)

The voice of the Lord is over the waters, May God bless the people with peace!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT: POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATERS May God be with you there. May God be with you here.

Children are dismissed to Sunday School.

PRELUDE

LITANY FOR BAPTISM OF THE LORD

In the beginning, darkness covered the deep, and God said: Let there be light.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

Through the words of the prophet, the Lord said: When you pass through the waters, I will be with you.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

Do not fear, says the Lord; I am with you. I have called you by name; you are mine.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

When Jesus was baptized by John, suddenly the heavens were opened.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

And as Jesus was coming out of the water, the Spirit of God rested on him like a dove.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

And a voice said: You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters!

Come, let us worship God.

HYMN ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL

GTG #20

English Melody adapt. Martin Shaw; test by Cecil Fracis Alexander (ROYAL OAK)

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In the waters of baptism, O God, you have cleansed us and claimed us. Forgive us for refusing your grace and rejecting your name. We have followed our own paths and they have led us far from you. Help us to live into our baptisms, to trust that all we need is in you, for you have marked us as your own living us without limit. Wash us with your love again, that with clean hearts we may go in the way of Jesus. Amen. [Silent Confession]

*RESPONSE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GTG #551

American folk melody, arr. Richard Proulx

LAND OF REST

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

... This is good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

RESPONSE

GLORY, GLORY, GLORY

GTG #584

by Pablo Sosa (based on Luke 2:14)

CUEQUITA

~ THE WORD ~

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

HEBREW BIBLE

ISAIAH 43:1-7

NRSV

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON

LUKE 3:15-22

NRSV

SERMON Rev. Wigger

~ RESPONDING TO THE WORD ~

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (see Insert)

CARA LOUISE BLAZEK

RESPONSE GLORY, GLORY, GLORY GTG #584

by Pablo Sosa (based on Luke 2:14) CUEQUITA

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

RESPONSE DOXOLOGY GTG #606

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

~ SENDING ~

HYMN SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER GTG #375

by Robert Lowry HANSON PLACE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



Pieces of today's liturgy are from: *Book of Common Worship* (PCUSA); *Call to Worship, Lectionary Aids*; *Presbyterian Outlook*, Teri Ott. Cover Image: *Baptism of Jesus*. Stained glass, Church of Our Savior, MCC, Boynton Beach, Florida

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: CARA LOUISE BLAZEK

PRESENTATION

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

PROFESSION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed: Responsive)

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

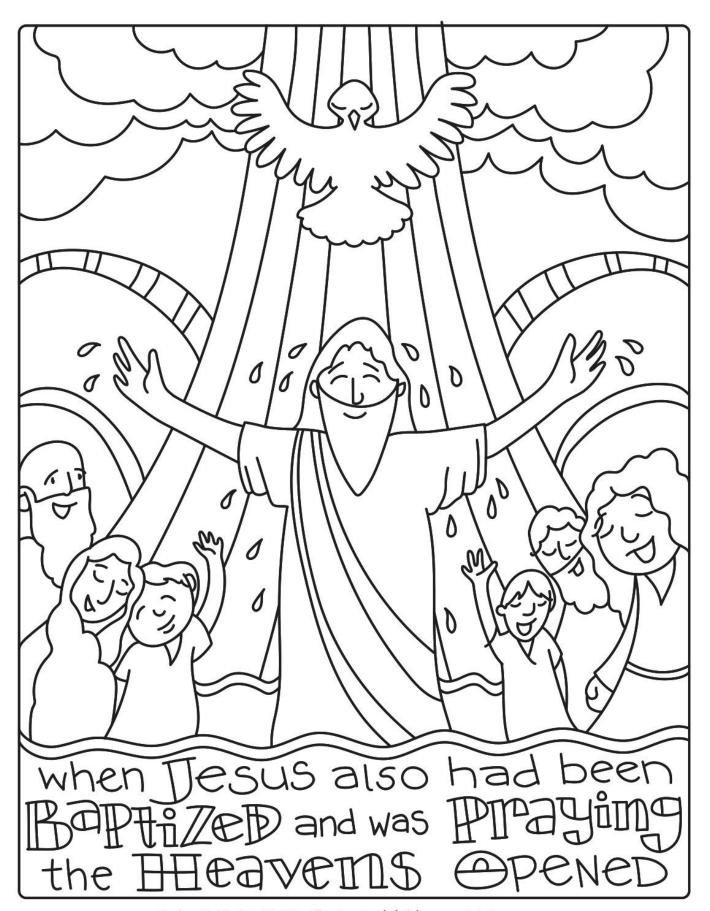
THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE BAPTISM

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING

WELCOME



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