# January 10, 2021

The Baptism of Our Lord



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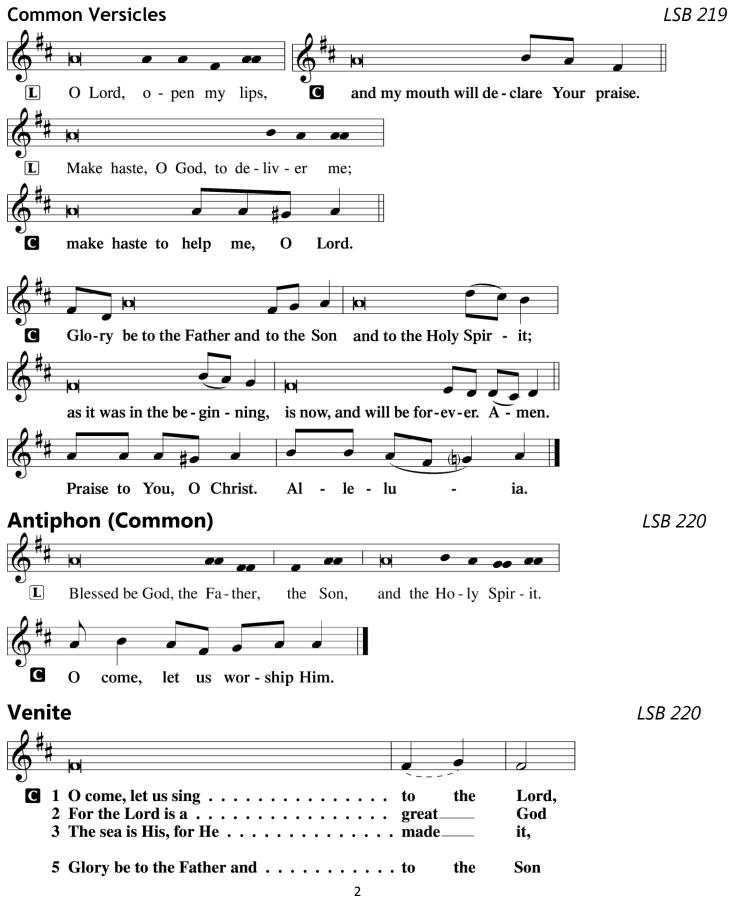
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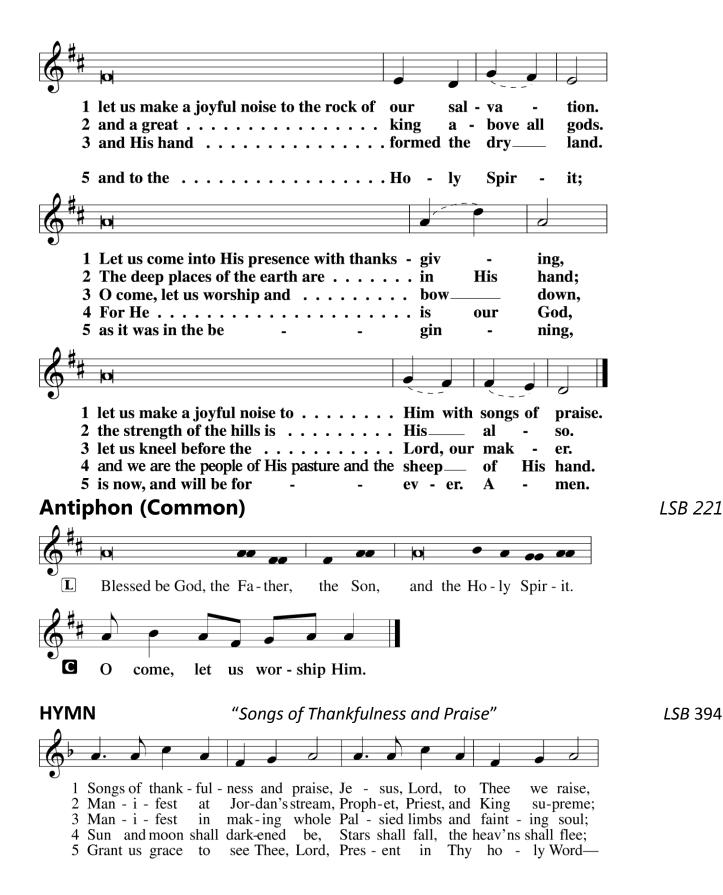
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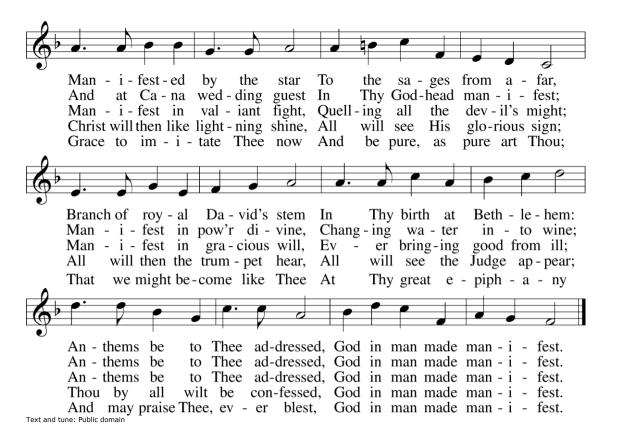
Our mission is sharing the saving love of Jesus



#### The Mightier One Has Come







#### **Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 1:1–5

*Romans* 6:1–11

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup>And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

### **C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>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. <sup>5</sup>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. <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 1st chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

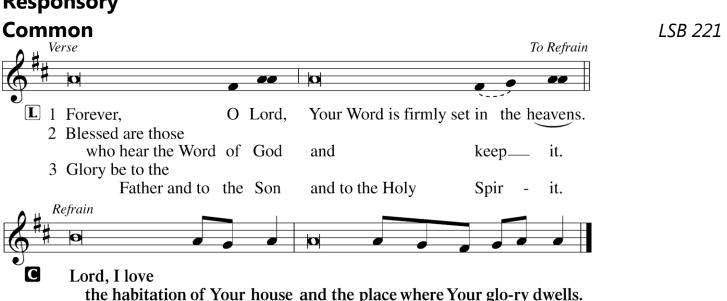
# **Holy Gospel**

#### Mark 1:4–11

<sup>4</sup>John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup>And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>6</sup>Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup>And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. <sup>8</sup>I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." <sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup>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.





# Responsory

SERMON HYMN "As with Gladness Men of Old" LSB 397 1 As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold; 2 As with joy - ful steps they sped, Sav - ior, to Thy low - ly bed, 3 As they of - fered gifts most rare At Thy cra - dle, rude and bare, Je - sus, ev - 'ry Keep us in 4 Ho - ly day the nar-row way; 5 In the heav'n-ly coun - try bright Need they no cre - at - ed light; As with joy they hailed its light, Lead - ing on - ward, beam-ing bright; There to bend the knee be - fore Thee, whom heav'n and earth a - dore; So may we with ho - ly joy, Pure and And when earth-ly things are past, Bring our free from sin's al - loy, ran-somed souls at last light, its joy, its crown, Thou its Thou its sun which goes not down; most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev - er - more be led by Thee. may we with will - ing feet Ev - er seek Thy mer - cy seat. our cost-liest trea - sures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'n-ly King. So, So All Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glo - ry hide. There for - ev - er may we sing Al - le - lu - ias to our King. Tune and text: Public domain

Sermon

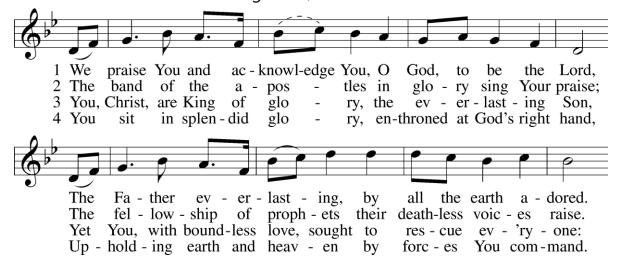
"The Mightier One Has Come"

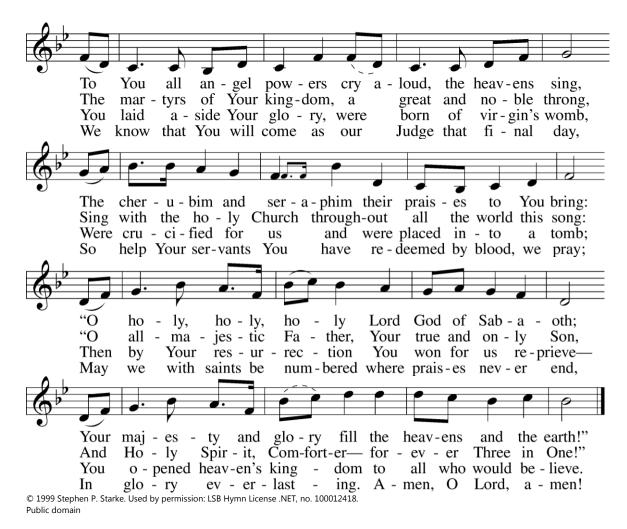
(Mark 1:4-11)

LSB 941

### Canticle

"We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God"





## Offering

(The offering plate and generic offering envelopes are available on the table in the narthex. For electronic giving, please see "Resources" tab at the top of the home page on Trinity's website - - www.trinityaubne.org)



### 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 forever and ever. Amen.

### Salutation



### **Collect of the Day**

**C** 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.

### **Prayer of the Church**

### **Collect for Grace**

I O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

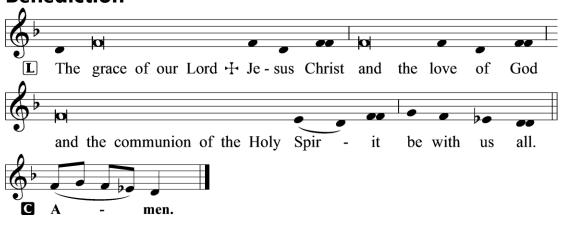
C Amen.

#### Benedicamus

Let us bless the Lord.

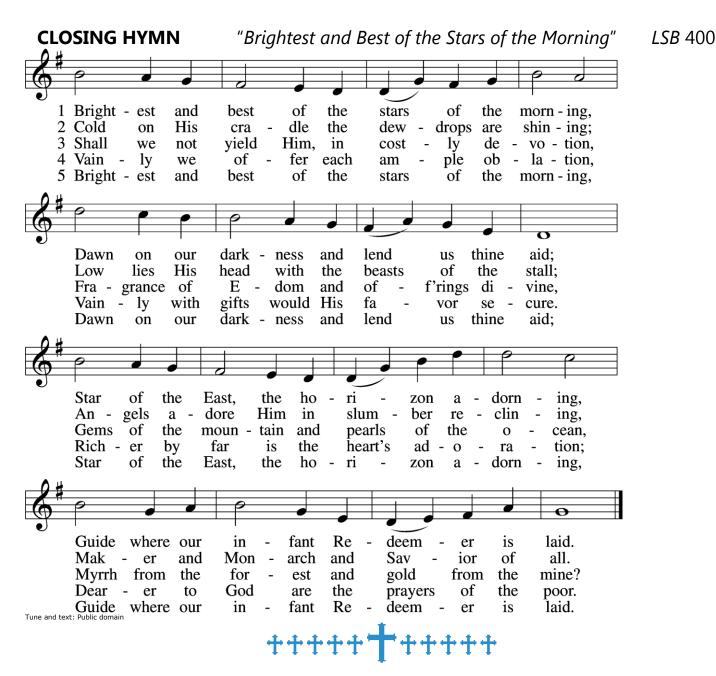
**C** Thanks be to God.

### **Benediction**



LSB 228

LSB 234



IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK, we pray to our merciful Heavenly Father for:

- Healing and strengthened faith in Christ for those who are ill: Bruce Ackerman (John's dad), Kyle Becker, Jack Humphrey, and all those in special need.
- Encouragement, strengthened faith and healing for those with long-term illnesses: Raburn Benton (Todd's dad), Diana Birdsley (former member of Trinity), Bill Bomberger (friend of the Humphreys), Devona Burklund (Amber Meyer's mom), Leroy Caspers (friend of the Meyer family), Teri Epler (worker at KOHK), Janet Gerardi (Gina Stutheit's aunt), Mary Gerardi (Gina's step-mom), Hadley (former pastor Rev. John Denninger's granddaughter), Charles Haun (friend of Gary & Karen Kamtz), Craig Hoadley (Merri Johnson's brother-in-law), Donna Hogan (Susan Johnston's sister), Ed Johnston, Presley Kieler (Kim Kieler's great niece), Jami Klingelhoefer (Pastor's cousin), Doug Kohlmeyer (Rev. Marcel Kohlmeyer's brother), Lora Kuhlmann (Marlene Dietrich's sister-inlaw), David Leavitt (friend of Rich Scotter), Marjie Lewis (Elta Whitney's friend), Albert (friend of

Paula Martin), Harold Moyer, Rev. Bob and Robin Schermbeck, Richard & Lola Schlichtman (Vicki Ackerman's father & mother), Chuck Sierks (friend of the Chaneys), Shari Stonacek (friend of the Kamtz family), Debbie Thilliander (sister of Becky Lueders, Sandy Wilson, and Eric Bohling), Tietjen Family (Vicki Ackerman's Uncle's family), Deb Woods (friend of Paula Martin).

#### THOSE CELEBRATING SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK:

**Birthdays:** 1/11: Pat Collins, Jim Parrish; 1/12: Jerry Ruskamp Baptisms: 1/12: Micah Bogdanoff; 1/13: Memphis Pingel, Elaina Riley 1/14: Rodney Gauchat

**Anniversaries:** none this week

SUN - 1/10	MON –	TUE – 1/12	WED – 1/13	THU –	FRI –	SAT –	SUN – 1/17
	1/11			1/14	1/15	1/16	
9:00 AM	8:15 -	8:15 - 11:45	8:15 - 11:45	8:15 -		9:00 AM	9:00 AM
Worship	11:45 AM	AM Preschool	AM Preschool	11:45 AM		Trustees	Worship with
	Preschool			Preschool		tentative	Holy
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Sunday		of Education					10:15 AM
School &			5:30 PM				Sunday
Adult Bible		7:30 PM	Confirmation				School &
Study		Stewardship					Adult Bible
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#### THE GOSPEL AT WORK

#### **Christ's Servants Today:**

#### **Our Thankful Response to Christ's Love:**

ElderMike Zaruba	Worship attendance			
Asst ElderDoug Lueders	Sunday School attendance Holiday			
OrganistSandy Wilson	Offering (1/3)NA			
AcolyteJustin Meyer	(Weekly Budget\$4434.00)			
	Offering End-of-Year (12/31)\$1021.65			

Lessons for next Sunday: 1 Samuel 3:1-20; 1 Cor. 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

Adult Bible Study: Our study of Philippians continues today. Please join us!

Pastor's home phone service is now functioning again! The number remains the same, 402 274-5445. I apologize for any inconvenience during this transition! Pastor



Sunday School 2020-2021: Sunday School classes are in session! Join us after worship!

ATTN All Members: Please check out the Trinity website for photos of Sunday School activities. Despite Covid-19 obstacles, we are conducting classes. www.trinityaubne.org.

**Radio Broadcast in the Church Parking Lot:** You can listen to and participate in the worship service in "real time" on Sunday mornings by tuning in at 88.9 on the FM band in your vehicle in the church parking lot.

A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org "The world needs your voice to declare Jesus' words of eternal life. The world needs your voice to declare God's value of life in all of its stages. The world needs your voice to declare God's convictions born of His Word. The world needs your voice to declare that God's word of forgiveness purchased with the blood of Jesus extends to all of us sinners, including those who have chosen abortion. The world needs your voice!" Rev. David Eibel, Living Word Lutheran Church, Grapevine, Texas

#### Announcements January 10, 2021 The Baptism of Our Lord

#### Thank you to:

- Merri Johnson for her work to send a mailing to Preschoolers and their families over Christmas.
- Jerry Ruskamp and Tim Becker for clearing snow last week.
- **Rich Scotter** for all his work to help us make the transition to the new phone, internet and email systems.

**New Church Email Is Coming!** As part of new cost-saving upgrades to the church phone and internet systems, we will be moving to a new email system. The new email address is <u>trinityaub@outlook.com</u>. Here in the office we will be getting acquainted with the new email system and encourage you to start sending test greetings to the new address as well. Plans are to be fully using only the new email address **as of February 1, 2021.** Any questions or difficulties, please contact the church office.

**Preschool Life-Learning Project** – <u>You Can Help!</u>: Our Preschoolers will be working hard to earn and save "tickets" for a one-day event at the end of the school year. We need new or gently used small toys (fit easily in a shopping bag), books, and fun items to set up a 'store' in the preschool. *Please place items to donation in the box in the Fellowship Hall.* (Everything will be sanitized as the store is organized and set-up!) Thank you for all your support of our little ones in the Trinity Preschool family!

**This week on KFUO.org,** study the Gospel of Mark on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), continue in 2 Corinthians on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and take a moment in creation, scripture, faith, and family on Midday Moments (weekdays at 12:00 p.m. CT). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org or your favorite podcasting app.

**Issues, Etc.** is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: The Sacred Names of God, The Epiphany Hymn "The Only Son from Heaven," Critical Theory, Responding to the Argument Against Miracles and more. You can listen ondemand at <u>issuesetc.org</u>, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

**LWML Cards for sale:** There are new cards for sale in the Fellowship Hall on the small table outside the library. For your convenience, the cards are available anytime the church is open. Find nice scripture-based cards while you support LWML missions!



#### "The Lord is My Refuge" Bible Verse of the Week:

Romans 6:3–4, *ESV*: Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 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.