

Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church!



To glorify God, to grow in faith,
to give in service, together in Christ

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January 9, 2022
The Baptism of Our Lord
8 and 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Nancy M. Raabe, Pastor
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Lynn Fasick, Office Administrator
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Asterisks denote those parts of the service in which the congregation is invited to stand.*

Prelude: Aria

Flor Peeters

Michael Langston, oboist, (10:30 only)

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who creates us, redeems us,
and calls us by name.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you
and your beloved children.**

**We have turned our faces away from your glory
when it did not appear as we expected.**

**We have rejected your word
when it made us confront ourselves.**

**We have failed to show hospitality
to those you called us to welcome.**

**Accept our repentance for the things we have done
and the things we have left undone.**

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

**Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe
in the glory of your Son born among us,
and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

Rejoice in this good news:

In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.

You are descendants of the Most High,
adopted into the household of Christ,
and inheritors of eternal life.

Live as freed and forgiven children of God. **Amen.**

* HYMN: Gather Us In

ELW 532 (stanzas 1 and 2 only)



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

*Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

*Hymn of Praise: O Morning, Star, How Fair and Bright! (st. 4) ELW 308 (10:30 only)

Al - might-y Fath - er, in your Son you loved us, when not

6 yet be - gun was this old earth's foun - da - tion! Your

10 Son has ran - somed us in love to live in him here

15 and a - bove: this is your great sal - va - tion. Al - le - lu - ia!

21 Christ the liv - ing, to us giv - ing life for - ev - er,

24 keeps us yours and fails us nev - er!

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The tempo is marked 'And also with you.' The lyrics are printed below the staff, with line numbers 6, 10, 15, 21, and 24 indicating the start of new lines of music. The score ends with a double bar line.

***Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

¹But now thus says the LORD,

he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

³For I am the LORD your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,

Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴Because you are precious in my sight,

and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,

nations in exchange for your life.

⁵Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east,

and from the west I will gather you;

⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up,"

and to the south, "Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away

and my daughters from the end of the earth—
7everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.”

Word of God, Word of life.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29



- 1Ascribe to the | Lord, you gods,
ascribe to the Lord glo- | ry and strength.
- 2**Ascribe to the Lord the glory | due God’s name;
worship the Lord in the beau- | ty of holiness.**
- 3The 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 pow- | erful voice;
the voice of the Lord is a | voice of splendor. R**
- 5The voice of the Lord breaks the | cedar trees;
the Lord breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;
- 6**the Lord makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.**
- 7The voice | of the Lord
bursts forth in | lightning flashes.
- 8**The voice of the Lord | shakes the wilderness;**

the Lord shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh. R

9The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the | forests bare.

And in the temple of the Lord all are | crying, “Glory!”

10The Lord sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;

the Lord sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.

11O Lord, give strength | to your people;

give them, O Lord, the bless- | ings of peace. **R**

Psalm Prayer

Second Reading: 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.

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation**



The Gospel of the Lord, according to Luke, the third chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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 Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: Baptism With Fire

Pastor Nancy Raabe

***HYMN of the DAY: This is the Spirit's Entry Now**

ELW 448



- 1 This is the Spir - it's en - try now: the wa - ter and the word,
- 2 This mir - a - cle of life re - born comes from the Lord of breath;
- 3 Let wa - ter be the sa - cred sign that we must die each day
- 4 Re - new - ing Spir - it, hear our praise for your bap - tis - mal pow'r



the cross of Je - sus on your brow, the seal both felt and heard.
the sin - less one from life was torn; our life comes through his death.
to rise a - gain by his de - sign as fol - l'wers of his way.
that wash - es us through all our days. Come, cleanse a - gain this hour.

***PRAYERS**

To the petition “God of grace” please respond, “Hear our prayer.”

***GREETING OF THE PEACE**

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church, gathered today.

*We rely on your gifts to sustain Grace and all its ministries!
Please leave your offering in the basket at the rear of the sanctuary.*

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Gracious God,
your Word-made-flesh brings harmony to the earth.
As we offer ourselves and these your gifts,
prepare us to receive the grace and truth
you offer at this table
and renew in us the song of your salvation,
in Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra-zón te_a - do - ra.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.



Mi co - ra-zón te sa - be de-cir: San - to_e-res Se - ñor.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

In the night in which he was betrayed...

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your
kingdom, and teach us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven....

Invitation to Communion

In Christ's manger, at Christ's table,
come, see what God makes known for you.

Today we are using pre-packaged communion elements. Following the Lamb of God, as we hear together the words "The body of Christ, given for you" and "The blood of Christ, shed for you," open and consume the wafer and grape juice. Please alert an usher if you did not receive one.

LAMB OF GOD

♩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

The body of Christ, given for you...Amen.

Please consume the wafer.

The blood of Christ, shed for you...Amen.

Please consume the juice.

Prayer after Communion

We thank you, wondrous God, for Jesus,
God with us, in these gifts of bread and wine.
As we have shared this feast of love,
strengthen us to share your love with all the world.
In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring (10:30 only)

Grace Choir; Michael Langston, oboist

J.S. Bach

Jesus, joy of our desiring,
holy wisdom, love most bright;
drawn by thee, our souls aspiring
soar to uncreated light.
Word of God, our flesh that fashioned,
with the fire of life impassioned,
striving still to truth unknown,
soaring, dying round thy throne.

Announcements

***BLESSING**

The God of hope
fill us with all joy and peace in believing,
so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit,
through Christ Jesus, the Word made flesh.

Amen.

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Rejoice in Christ, our Savior!

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern

19th century anonymous

Serving today

Preacher and presider, Rev. Nancy M. Raabe

Minister of Music, Kevin Freaney

Oboist, Michael Langston

Lector: 8:00 am, Peggy Schmidt; 10:30 am, Beth Krout

Ushers: 8:00 am, P. Schmidt & D. Capanear; 10:30 am, J. Krout & K. Deussing

Altar Guild: 8:00 am, Janice Swartz

Acolyte: 10:30 am, Elijah Krout

Video team: 10:30 am, Harold Schaefer, Dan & Tami Sarm

Special thanks to Michael Langston for joining us again today.

Michael played at our late service on Christmas Eve.

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If you are in need of pastoral care or need a helping hand for any reason, please contact Pastor Raabe by email; in the office at 215-855-4676; or anytime on her cell phone, 614.214.2639 (texting is good!). Talk with her about prayer requests, illnesses and hospital stays, weddings, funerals, baptisms, and joyful events in your life.

Pastor Raabe extends her heartfelt gratitude to all worship leaders who made the Christmas Eve services here at Grace so special and memorable. Kevin, Frank, Peggy, Bruce, Harold, Dan, Tami, Cathy, our guest oboist Michael, all the ushers and readers who participated, and all who attended—thank you! Grace is truly blessed with a strong and resilient congregation.

Please continue to observe all your best safety precautions here in the building.

Coming up at Grace:

- ❖ **Our Thrivent/Faith Build Spaghetti Dinner team** has decided that in the interests of safety we will postpone this fundraiser to March 24. We are raising funds throughout 2022 to support the Faith Build home at 2714 Cowpath Rd.
- ❖ **The Beer Tasting Fundraiser** for Sanctuary Village, originally scheduled for January 22, has also been postponed for a few weeks until it is safer to gather. The new date will be announced soon.

Next Sunday's readings:

Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11