

St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church

1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Wauwatosa, WI 53213

January 8th, 2023

8:30 am & 11:00 am Services

Baptism of Our Lord Sunday

Worship Notes: In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus is revealed as the beloved Son of God. Through this great epiphany, Jesus fulfills all righteousness and becomes the servant of God who will bring forth justice and be a light to the nations. In the waters of baptism, we too are washed by the Word, anointed by the Spirit, and named God's beloved children. Our baptismal mission is to proclaim good news to all who are oppressed or in need of God's healing.

Season of Epiphany – Global/World Music

“Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you... Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.” (Isaiah 60:1, 3)

Epiphany is the time of the church year when we celebrate the revealing of Christ to the world.

During this season, we celebrate the arrival of the One who is the light of the world: a light that brings life, a light that brings hope. This light shines its brightest when we are in community—with God and with one another. During this time we explore Global/World music in worship; using Responses, Hymns Anthems that are based on a global theme.

Global Christian music is defined as any music found in the Christian Church worldwide.

Particularly, it specializes in cultural musics from the non-Western world. We hope you enjoy music and text from around the world that unifies all Christians together.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Ann Williams

Gathering

Please stand as you are able.

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.

**If we walk in the light as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another,
and the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanses us from all sin.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

troubled and penitent we confess our sins to you. Let your mercy dawn upon us for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son, with whom you are well pleased. Within our hearts, and in our lives, let there be light; the light no darkness can overcome.

For his sake God hears your prayer. Jesus Christ is God's beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased. In his name we have been baptized.

We have seen the Lord's glory; we have heard the Lord's voice.

Walk, then, as children of light, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Gathering Song

Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand

This hymn represents a Kenyan adaptation of the gospel hymn, "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less," a connection that is most obvious in their similar refrains. Both the original and derived texts affirm that our hope is not in ourselves but in Christ's redeeming work.

Refrain



Kwa - ke Ye - se na - si - ma - ma, ndi - ye mwam - ba ni sa - la -
Here on Je - sus Christ I will stand. He's the sol - id rock of my



ma. ndi - ye mwam - ba ni sa - la - ma, ndi - ye mwam - ba ni sa - la - ma
life. He's the sol - id rock of my life. He's the sol - id rock of my life.



1. There's no oth - er place I can hide 'til the storm that rag - es sub - sides. My voice
2. It is not the work of my hands that has washed a - way all my sins. I'm re -
3. When my days on this earth are done, and I stand at God's ho - ly throne, my heart

Refrain



cries to God from the flood, and I'm saved be - cause of his blood.
deemed, and all of my days, Je - sus Christ will be my heart's praise.
will not have an - y fear: in Christ's right - eous - ness I am here.

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Litany for the Baptism of our Lord Sunday

At your baptism, O Lord, the Holy Spirit rested upon you in the form of a dove.

At our baptism, love was declared to each of us.

The baptism of Christ in the Jordan marked the beginning of an amazing ministry of abundant love.

And our baptisms mark the beginning of our lives of faith.

On this day when our Lord Jesus was baptized, we remember all those who have been baptized in our church in the last year.

January 16	Clayton Thompson	July 17	Andrey Bartlett Kisamo
February 27	Gifford John Collins		Sia P. Bartlett Kisamo
March 13	Liam Brooks Bankert	July 31	Iggy Mayne Tanem
April 3	Gavin Robert Freund	August 21	Hunter Rineck Meyer
April 24	Corinne Reynolds McCarthy	September 11	August Clark Due
May 1	Finn Ryan Gintoft	October 9	Eliana Marie Lanza
	Josephine Colette Yentz	November 6	Lana Joan Ordonez
May 15	Everest Stanley Benson	November 13	Zoe Kathleen Radcliffe
May 29	Lincoln Otto Krajcik	November 27	Charlotte June Baumann
June 12	Hattie Lou Elinor Bullis	December 18	Josephine Linda Brown

Our God has called each of us children and disciples.

Now may we live our lives in the name of the Lord!

Apostolic Greeting

Arise shine; for the Light has come!

The glory of the Lord has risen upon us!


We gather in the name in which we are baptized.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Praise

A New Way Has Opened – Gloria be to God

This Cuban song speaks of light coming into the world for justice and peace. The refrain offers us a version of the Gloria.



1. Un ca - mi - no se a-bre ha- cia la luz a - nun - cia vi - da y
1. A new way has o-pened toward the light an-nounc- ing life and
2. Vis - tas shine with har - mo - ny and faith, a - bun-dance ov - er

sue - ña li - ber - tad, ges - tan - do un tiem - po de jus - ti - cia y paz,
dreams of li - ber - ty, and birth - ing times of jus - tice and of peace,
flow-ing lies a - head sus - tained by strength in the com - mu - ni - ty.

1. un pue - blo u-ni - do ce-le - bran - do va. 1. Des - te - llos so - mos de tu luz.
when God's own peo-ple feast in un - i - ty. 2. We are the spar-kles of your light.

¡Glo-ria en lo al - to a Dios y en la tie - rra vi - da nue - va y paz!
Glo-ry be to God on high and on earth new life and last - ing peace!

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Prayer of the Day

O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

Word

First Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

God's servant is endowed with God's spirit in order to bring justice to the nations. The servant will not exercise authority boisterously or with violence, nor will weariness ever prevent the fulfilling of the servant's task. God's old promises have been fulfilled; the servant's new assignment is to bring light to the nations.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Acts 10:34-43

Peter crosses the sharp religious boundary separating Jews from Gentiles and proclaims the good news of God's inclusive forgiveness in Jesus' name to Cornelius, a Roman centurion. As a result of Peter's preaching, Cornelius and his family become the first Gentiles to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia!

This Alleluia acclamation comes from the Orthodox Liturgy of Kiev/Kyiv. We remember all those suffering in the Ukraine and pray for peace.



Gospel

Matthew 3:13-17

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 3rd chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel of the Lord for you this day.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Ann Williams

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn of the Day

Baptize Me, Lord

(Prayer Cards will be collected during the Hymn of the Day)

A

1. Bau - ti - za - me, Se - ñor, con tuEs - pí - ri - tu;
 1. Bap - tize me now, O Lord, with your Spir - it.
 2. Oh send me now, O Lord, with your Spir - it.

[Repeat from A]

Bau - ti - za - me, Se - ñor, con tuEs - pí - ri tu
 Bap - tize me now, O Lord, with your Spir - it.
 Oh send me now, O Lord, with your Spir - it.

B

3. y dé - ja - me sen - tir el fue - go de tua - mor a
 3. and come and let me feel the fire of your great love, right
 4. and come and let me feel the heart of your great love, and

[Repeat from B]

1. quien mi co - ra - zón, O Dios;
 1. here and in my heart, O God;

2. quien mi co - ra - zón, O Dios.
 2. share to all the world, O God.

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Thanksgiving for Holy Baptism

(8:30 Service)

(11:00 Service please turn to page 8)

Thanksgiving for Baptism *(adapted from Evangelical Lutheran Worship)*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the fountain of living water, who gave us birth, our
 light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,

for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen!

Renunciations & Affirmations

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Christ calls us to continue in the covenant God made with us in holy baptism. Do you intend:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

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.**

People of God, as Christ's faithful disciple, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Baptismal Charge

Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. [*Ephesians 4:1-2*]

Amen.

Service of Holy Baptism for Oliver Leto

(11:00 Service)

(8:30 Service please turn to page 10)

Please follow along in your Hymnals on Page 227.

Please be seated.

Presentation

Please stand as you are able.

Profession of Faith

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

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.

Please be seated.

Thanksgiving at the Font

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood, you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Baptism

Welcome

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

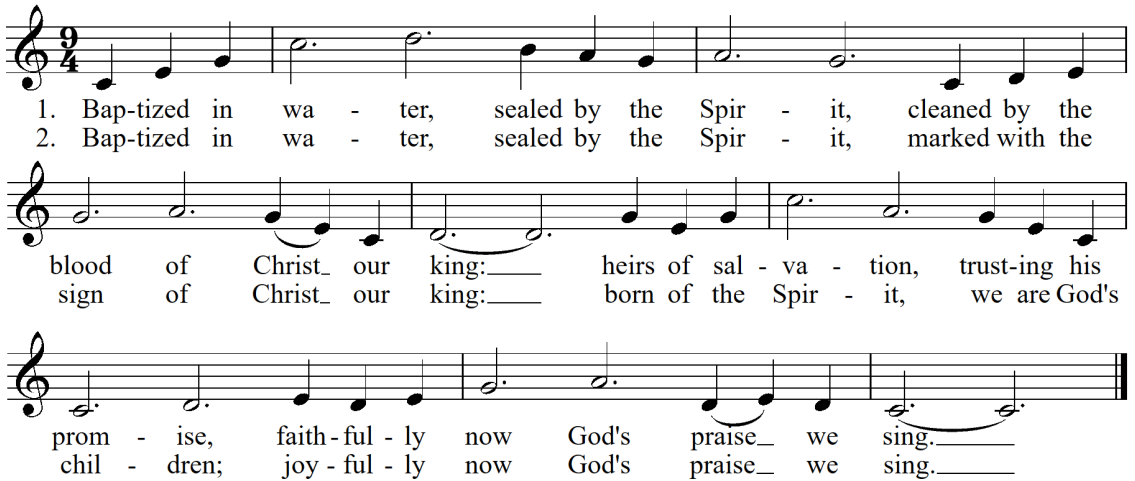
We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share. Join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

(8:30 & 11:00 Services Continue Here)

Canticle for Baptism

Baptized in Water

This well-known melody "Buinessan" is a hymn tune based on a Scottish folk melody, first associated with the Christmas carol "Child in the Manger" and later and more commonly with "Morning Has Broken". It is named for the village of Buinessan in the Ross of Mull. As Buinessan is located beside the Isle of Iona founded by Irish monks, the melody probably came from Ireland originally.



1. Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleaned by the
 2. Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the

blood of Christ_ our king:____ heirs of sal - va - tion, trust-ing his
 sign of Christ_ our king:____ born of the Spir - it, we are God's

prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise_ we sing.____
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise_ we sing.____

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Usher Volunteers gather for Offering Collection at the Welcome Center.

Prayers of Intercession

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

...Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

Please be seated.

Meal

Offering

8:30

Baptized in Jordan by William Allen Pasch

- Senior Choir, John Schilling, Soloist

11:00

Geylang Sipaku Geylang arr. Charmaine Siagian

This folk song comes from the Malay Archipelago which are/were the East Indies, part of the far-off spice isle Columbus was seeking when he accidentally “discovered” America. This is a farewell song often sung at the end of community gatherings.

Please stand as you are able.

Canticle of Thanksgiving

Come and Sing the Praise of the Lord

This traditional Hebrew song of praise and thanks comes to us from Israel.

English Come and sing the praise of the Lord, sing hal - le -
 Hebrew Ha - l' - lu' - hu, ha - l' - lu - hu b' - zil - z' -

lu - jah! Come and sing the praise of the
 le sha - ma. Ha - l' - lu - hu, ha - l' - lu -

Lord, sing hal - le - lu - jah!
 hu b' - zil - z' - le t'ru - a.

Let all that lives, all that has breath, sing the praise of
 Kol ha - n'sha - ma t' - ha - lel ja, ha - l' - lu -

God, hal - le - lu - jah! Let all that lives,
 ja, ha - l' - lu - ja. Kol ha - n'sha - ma

all that has breath, sing the praise of God.
 t' - ha - lel ja, ha - l' - lu - ja.

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Offering Prayer

Surely, God, you show no partiality, for you have chosen us to be your servants, your children. Filled with your Spirit, approved by your voice, saved by your Son, we are bold to come before you now. Accept these gifts. Accept our lives. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

Come to God's table.

There is a place and enough for all.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please be seated.

Call to Communion

**#486 God Extends an Invitation/
*Nuestro Padre nos Invita***

Communion Anthem 8:30

Bread of Life from Heaven (ELW #474) – Senior Choir

Communion Hymn

#491 Come, Let Us Eat

In oral cultures songs are usually transmitted from one generation to another without recognition of specific authors. The Liberian song/hymn, "A va de las mioo" (Come, one and all), is in the Loma language.

Please stand as you are able.

Communion Response

May the body of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his light and grace.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table.

Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you.

Amen.

Sending

Blessing

God, who through water and the Spirit has made us beloved daughters and sons,
strengthen you in your baptism. The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make
his face shine on you and be gracious to you, the Lord look upon you with favor
and give you peace. Almighty God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit bless
you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Song

May the Lord, Mighty God

1. May the Lord, might - y God, bless and
2. Lift up your eyes and see God's face, full of
keep you for - ev - er; grant you peace
grace for - ev - er; may the Lord,
per - fect peace, cour - age in ev - 'ry en - deav - or.
might - y God, bless and keep you for - ev - er.

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

FIRST READING: Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
 my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
 I have put my spirit upon him;
 he will bring forth justice to the nations.
²He will not cry or lift up his voice,
 or make it heard in the street;
³a bruised reed he will not break,
 and a dimly burning wick he will not
 quench;
 he will faithfully bring forth justice.
⁴He will not grow faint or be crushed
 until he has established justice in the earth;
 and the coastlands wait for his teaching.
⁵Thus says God, the LORD,
 who created the heavens and stretched
 them out,
 who spread out the earth and what comes
 from it,
 who gives breath to the people upon it
 and spirit to those who walk in it:
⁶I am the LORD, I have called you in
 righteousness,
 I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
 I have given you as a covenant to the people,
 a light to the nations,
⁷to open the eyes that are blind,
 to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
 from the prison those who sit in darkness.
⁸I am the LORD, that is my name;
 my glory I give to no other,
 nor my praise to idols.
⁹See, the former things have come to pass,
 and new things I now declare;
 before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Psalms 29**SECOND READING: Acts 10:34-43**

Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42.

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