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Welcome to Worship

January 7, 2024 — Baptism of Our Lord

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Check out Our Welcome Center



Under the window to the Narthex .. We have offering plates and a bin for vision and purpose giving.

Weekly newsletters are available as well.

Coffee and other refreshments are available at the Narthex Coffee Stand.

So That's My Bible Bible Study

Join us for a new Sunday Bible Study

Starting January 14
Immediately after worship

Learn about the history and making of the Bible

Read and learn about interesting stories that you
might not expect to find in the Bible

Stories that might even be considered taboo!
Ooooo

This new Bible Study will meet Sundays (with a
few exceptions) starting January 14th!

Order of Service

Gathering

Announcements, Prelude
Confession and Forgiveness
Peace
Opening Hymn: ELW 456 Baptized in Water

The Word

Pastoral Greeting
Learn ACS Setting 12: The Kyrie
(Spoken 1x, Sung 2x)

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Genesis 1:1-4
Acts 19:1-7
Learn ACS Setting 12: The Gospel Acclamation
(spoken 1x)
Mark 1:4-11
Sermon
Hymn: ELW 445 Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters
Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Linda Ellison, Ila Roseberry, Kathi Cruce, Dean Sandstrom,
Emily Agema, Gary Eyler, Cecil Lovdahl, Janet Lowe, Brian
Elliott, Reva Stachinew

Communion

Offering Prayer
Offering Refrain: ELW 481 Come to the Table
Great Thanksgiving
Learn ACS Setting 12: "Holy, Holy, Holy"
(Spoken 1x)
Lord's Prayer
Learn ACS Setting 12: "Be Known To Us"
(sung by soloist)
Distribution
Post-Communion Prayer
Hymn: ELW 800 Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart
Benediction
Benediction Refrain: ELW 806 I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me
(Verse 1, Sung 1x)
Dismissal

Genesis 1:1-5

1 When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Acts 19:1-7

19 While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. ² He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." ³ Then he said, "Into what, then, were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." ⁴ Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." ⁵ On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶ When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied, ⁷ altogether there were about twelve of them.

Mark 1:4-11

4 so John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ And the whole Judean region and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him and were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶ Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the strap of his sandals. ⁸ I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

9 In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove upon him. ¹¹ And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."