

#### First Lutheran Ghurch

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Gathered By God, we live our faith with: compassion, grace, gratitude, and joy

## **Today's Worship Ministers**

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### **Check Out Our Welcome Center**

Coffee Station: We have a variety of Coffee and Tea options in our Narthex. Feel free to enjoy your beverage throughout the worship service

Giving Station: Our offering Plate and Vision and Purpose Giving Jar are located under the Narthex window

January's Vision and Purpose Giving will support the Strom Center here in Monmouth.

Weekly Newsletters: Print Copies of our weekly newsletter are available under the Narthex Window. The email version will be sent out on Monday. If you wish to receive a copy by email or a hard copy by mail, please let Pastor Jamie know.

## **Annual Meetina**

The January Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26th immediately following worship.

## Who Is Jesus Bible Study

Our Bible Study continues on Sundays, except for January 26th, through March 2nd.

# Welcome to Worship **January 12, 2025**

## **Baptism of Our Lord**

## Order of Service

Gathering

Announcements, Prelude **Confession and Forgiveness** Peace Opening Hymn: ELW 779, Amazing Grace

#### The Word

**Pastoral Greeting** Kyrie: ACS Setting 12, page 31 Hymn of Praise: ACS Setting 12, page 31

## **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

> Isaiah 43:1-7; Acts 8:14-17 Gospel Acclamation: ACS Setting 12, page 33 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Sermon Hymn of the Day: ELW 456 Baptized in Water Apostles' Creed

### **Prayers of Intercession**

Linda Ellison, Ila Roseberry, Kathi Cruce, Dean Sandstrom, Emily Agema, Cecil Lovdahl, Janet Lowe, Brian Elliott, Hannah Taylor, Suzannne Lovdahl, Wes Lovdahl, Christopher Greene, the family and friends of Richard Rehn

#### **Holy Communion**

Offering Prayer

Offering Hymn: ACS 1000, God's Work, Our Hands vv 1 & 4 Great Thanksgiving: ACS Setting 12, page 36 "Holy, Holy, Holy": ACS Setting 12, page 36 Lord's Prayer "Be Known to Us": ACS Setting 12, page 40 Distribution Post Communion Prayer

#### Sending

Closing Hymn: ELW 543 Go My Children, with My Blessing Benediction Dismissal

## Isaiah 43:1-7

43 But 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. 2 When 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. 3 For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. 4 Because 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. 5 Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; 6 I 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— 7 everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

## Acts 8:14-17

14 Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. 15 The 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). 17 Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

## Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

15 As the people were filled with expectation and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, 16 John 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 strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17 His 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."

21 Now when all the people were baptized and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, 22 and 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."