THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

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ORDER OF WORSHIP: Order of Service Hymns 728 590 411

THIS WEEK AT PEACE AND ENGLISH:

Jan. 9 8:30 a.m. Worship at English

Jan. 9 10:15 a.m. Worship at Peace

Jan. 9 9:00 a.m. Sunday School classes

Jan. 11 NO 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Pastor's Circuit Meeting)

Jan. 11 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at English

Jan. 12 9:30 a.m. Quilting

Jan. 12 Noon Bible Study

Jan. 12 2:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

Jan. 12 3:30 p.m. Daughters of Peace

Jan. 17 Pastor attending Conference at Carroll, Iowa

HYMN OF THE DAY: Our hymn of the day is *Baptized into Your Name Most Holy*. This hymn helps us understand two things, what baptism does and why it is important. Baptism is the place where God adopts us as his children. Each of us can claim a place in God's family, "though weak and lowly," because we have been united with Christ in baptism. Because God is now our Father, we can call on him in every need. Though we are dead to sin because of baptism, we still allow ourselves to be defiled by misdeeds. But we are baptized, so we can pray, "Have mercy on me when I become defiled; forgive, lift up, restore your child." Baptism makes us members of God's family by uniting us with Christ. That is what it does. Baptism allows for us to call on God in every need. That is why it is important.

A WORD: Our theme of the day is baptism. In the Gospel reading, Christ is baptized and declared by the voice from heaven to be God's beloved Son. The Spirit descends on Christ in the form of a dove to empower him for the road ahead. In Romans, Paul teaches us about our own baptism. Baptism unites us with Christ's death. The baptized are dead to sin. Sin must no longer have dominion over us. Baptism also unites us with Christ's resurrection. We have the promise of new life because we now share in Christ's life through baptism.

The Old Testament reading contains a promise that God will walk with his people through all danger, that he will give a life in exchange for his people, and that he will gather to himself all who are called by his name. Where do these promises become true for us? In baptism. Baptism unites us with the one whom God gave in exchange for us, Jesus Christ. Baptism is

the place where God puts his name on us and gathers us into the church. Baptism is the place where we receive the Holy Spirit who goes with us in all trouble. Rejoice today in all the good that God has done for you in baptism.

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Isaiah 62:1-5 1Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11

ABOUT THE BULLETIN COVER: The voice from heaven announces, "You are My beloved Son". Jesus, though He has no sin, has joined Himself to sinners in a Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, which He did not need. Likewise, He was counted among sinners as He hung on the cross in atonement for our sins. He united Himself to us in order that He might bring us into His resurrection life. In Holy Baptism, we each have been united to His cross and resurrection life so that we are dead to sin and alive to God.

THANK YOU for the prayers for our grandson who was involved in a vehicle accident. He is home from the hospital and doing remarkably well. He is a very blessed young man.

Avis and Bob Fick

TRIP TO MISSION CENTRAL: Gary Thies has invited Peace Lutheran Church to come to Mission Central for a tour and a prayer service. Anyone who would like to go is welcome to attend. Please arrive at Mission Central by 10:30 A.M. on Sunday, January 30. Bring a sack lunch. Services at Peace and English will be held at the normal times that Sunday.

5TH **SUNDAY SERVICE:** The Council of Churches will be hosting a 5th Sunday event for students and families. January 5th at 5:00 p.m. in the Central Lyon auditorium Trust Guy Ministries, Dr. Micah Parker will present the topic "Sex and Profanity". He will be sharing God's TRUTH in relation to these topics. Because of the nature of the topic, it is a PG-13 event. Parents are encouraged to attend with their 7th grade and older children.

PEACE DEVOTIONS: Many people make a new year's resolution to start a devotional life. That resolution is easy to make, but hard to do. Where do you start? How do you know what to include? Why not start with devotions published by your own church? Pastor Alex will be publishing a devotional booklet for every week in 2022. This booklet will include everything needed to build a vibrant devotional life for individuals and families. Join us as we seek to deepen our relationship with Christ this coming year. The devotions are available on the back table of the sanctuary.

2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES: Offering envelopes for 2022 are available on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

DAUGHTERS OF PEACE will meet January 12th at 3:30 p.m. Devotions and Program by Verla Fick and Hostess will be Karen Olson.

THIS MONTH Daughters of Peace will collect cereal – hot and cold for Atlas. Thank you all for your support in our monthly projects.

USHERING TODAY is Team 6; Next Sunday is Team 1: Michael Huygens, Keith Berg, Keith Lambert, Bob Iwen, Lucas Larson, Devin Olson, Justin Olson

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN 728: HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Brief Silence for Inward Confession)

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 2:7-11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,

my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

You shall break them with a rod of iron

and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;

be warned, O rulers of the earth.

Serve the LORD with fear,

and rejoice with trembling,

for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,

my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.
- P Let us pray.
- 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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 43:1-7

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all nations!

Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;

bring an offering, and come into his courts!

EPISTLERomans 6:1–11

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

VERSE Mark 1:11b

Alleluia. You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 3:15–22

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

After the Reading

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life

everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN 590: BAPTIZED INTO YOUR NAME MOST HOLY

SERMON

OFFERTORY 192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION 202

- The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and

 → give you peace.
- C Amen.

HYMN 411: I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

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