

## Baptism of the Lord

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

INVOCATION

INTROIT SENTENCE

We have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him.

Mathew 2.2

THE GRACE (STAND)

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe.

**All: From the rising of the sun to its setting your name is proclaimed in all the world.**

**SILENCE**

KYRIE CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION (KNEEL OR SIT)

*Please say or sing the KYRIE ELESION after each of the three petitions.*

**Kyrie Eielson.** (MERBECKE: CP 678/ HB C177)

**Christi Eielson.**

**Kyrie Eielson.**

GLORIA (STAND)

Glory be to God on high, (MERBECKE: CP 679)

**and in earth peace, good will towards men.**

**We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory, O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. You that takes away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. You that sits at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us.**

**For you only are holy; you only are the Lord; you only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

THE COLLECT (STAND)

**Silence**

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD (SIT)

*After each reading, except the psalm, the reader says 'The Word of the Lord' and we respond: **Thanks be to God.***

First Reading – 1<sup>st</sup> Reader

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. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus 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: I 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, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them. ISAIAH 42:1-9

Psalm – 1<sup>st</sup> Reader

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

**The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

**The 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!"

**The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.**

The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace. PSALM 29

Second Reading – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reader

Peter began to speak to the Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ - he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how 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. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not 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. He 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. All the prophets testify about

him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." ACTS 10:34-43

GOSPEL (STAND)  
Gospeller: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia (CP: 708)

**All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Gospeller: This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased. MATTHEW 3.17

**All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Gospeller: The Lord be with You. (TONE - BAS P.920 OR CP: 718)

**All: And also with you.**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness." Then he consented. And 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. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." MATTHEW 3:13-17

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

SERMON (SIT)  
THE NICENE CREED (STAND)

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say, We believe in one God,

**All: the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became Incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right**

**hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (KNEEL OR SIT)

*The response will be announced.*

THE PEACE (STAND)

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER III - BAS P.198 (REMAIN STANDING)

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS (REMAIN STANDING)

Open the heavens, Lord our God, and send your transforming Spirit on us and on these gifts. May we who are baptized into Christ be ready to share his cup of suffering and strengthened to serve him for ever. **Amen**

SURSUM CORDA (MUSIC - BAS P.921)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE PREFACE

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS (MERBECKE: CP 683/ HB C177)

**All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Glory be to you, O Lord most high.  
Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord:  
Hosanna in the highest.**

THE EUCHARISTIC CANON (KNEEL OR STAND)

*Response to: 'Therefore, Father, according to his command' is: we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory; & at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer: Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray. Our Father in heaven,

**All: 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 for ever. Amen.**

**SILENCE**

FRACTION SENTENCE

Celebrant: We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

**All: God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

AGNUS DEI (MERBECKE: CP 685/ HB C177)

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:**

**Have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Grant us your peace.**

COMMUNION SENTENCE (KNEEL OR SIT)

Celebrant: God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**All: Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (KNEEL OR SIT)

**Silence**

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE SOLEMN BLESSING FOR THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST (KNEEL)

RECESSIONAL HYMN

DISMISSAL (REMAIN STANDING)