

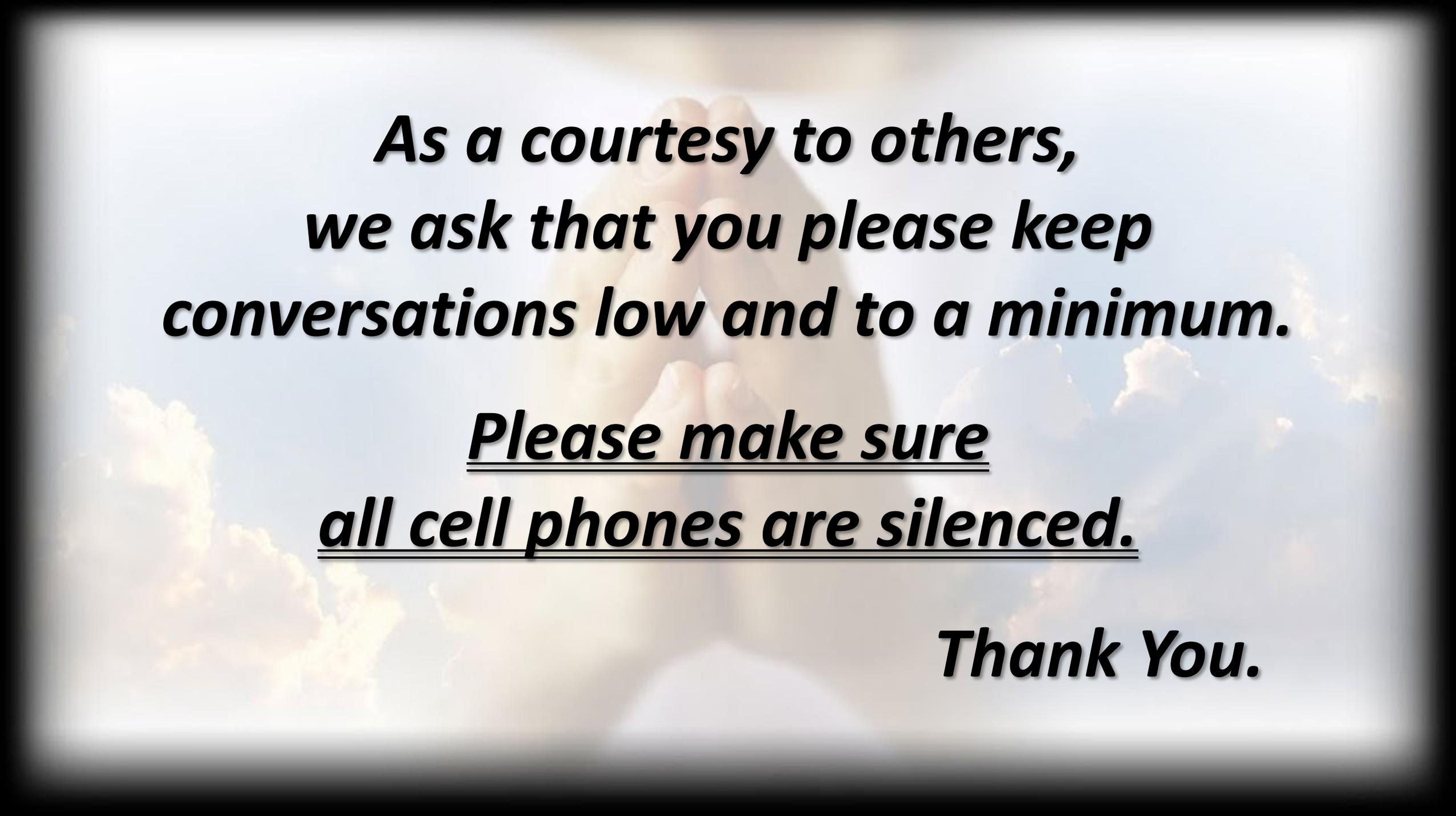
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through worship, service,  
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**Our Vision:**  
**Joy is a spiritual community**  
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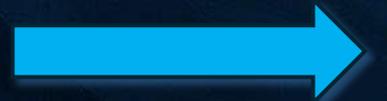
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***“Christ, When for Us You Were Baptised”***  
***arr. Brian L. Hanson***

# ***Confession and Forgiveness***

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
the Creator of heaven and earth,  
the Word who spoke life into being,  
the Wind stirring the waters.

**C: AMEN**



**P:** Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Mighty God, lover of justice,

**C:** you call us to life in community,  
but we have served our own interests  
at the expense of our neighbors.



**C: We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice,**



**C: love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

**P: The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in  Jesus' name.**



**P:** May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

**C:** Amen.

# ***Gathering Hymn***

***“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”***”

***ELW # 311***



1

Hail to the Lord's anointed,  
great David's greater Son!  
Hail, in the time appointed,  
your reign on earth begun!



**You come to break oppression,  
to set the captive free,  
to take away transgression  
and rule in equity.**



2

**You come with rescue speedy  
to those who suffer wrong,  
to help the poor and needy,  
and bid the weak be strong;**



**to give them songs for sighing,  
their darkness turn to light,  
whose souls, condemned and dying,  
are precious in your sight.**



3

You shall come down like  
showers  
upon the fruitful earth;  
love, joy, and hope, like flowers,  
spring in your path to birth.



**Before you on the mountains  
shall peace, the herald, go;  
and righteousness in fountains  
from hill to valley flow.**



4

**Kings shall fall down before you,  
and gold and incense bring;  
all nations shall adore you,  
your praise all people sing.**



**To you shall prayer unceasing  
and daily vows ascend;  
your kingdom still increasing,  
a kingdom without end.**

# ***Greeting***

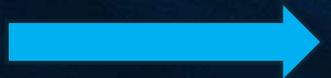
**P:** The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C:** And also with you.

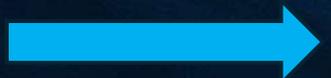
# ***HYMN OF PRAISE***

**“Glory to God”**

**ELW page 185**



**Glory to God in the highest,  
the highest,  
and peace to  
God's people on earth.**



**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you,  
we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**



**Glory to God in the highest,  
the highest,  
and peace to  
God's people on earth.**



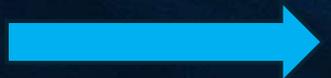
**Lord Jesus Christ,  
only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away  
the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;**



**you are seated at  
the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**



**Glory to God in the highest,  
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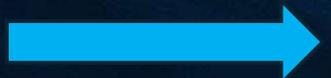
**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,**



**with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.  
Amen.  
Amen.**



**Glory to God in the highest,  
the highest,  
and peace  
to God's people on earth.**



**Glory to God in the highest,  
the highest,  
and peace to God's people on  
earth.**

# *PRAYER OF THE DAY*

**P** Let us pray.

**c** **O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit.**



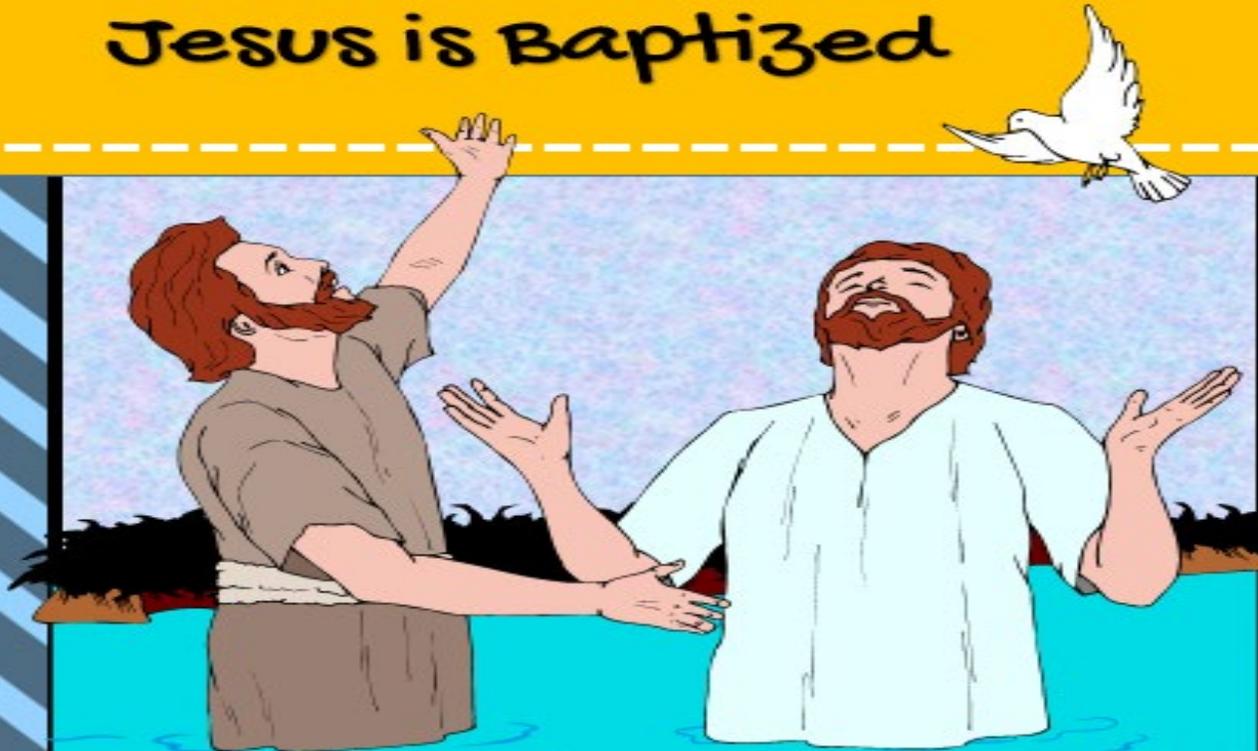
**C: Make all who are baptized into  
Christ faithful to their calling to  
be your daughters and sons, and  
empower us all with your Spirit,  
through Jesus Christ,**



**C: our Savior and Lord, who lives  
and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
AMEN.**

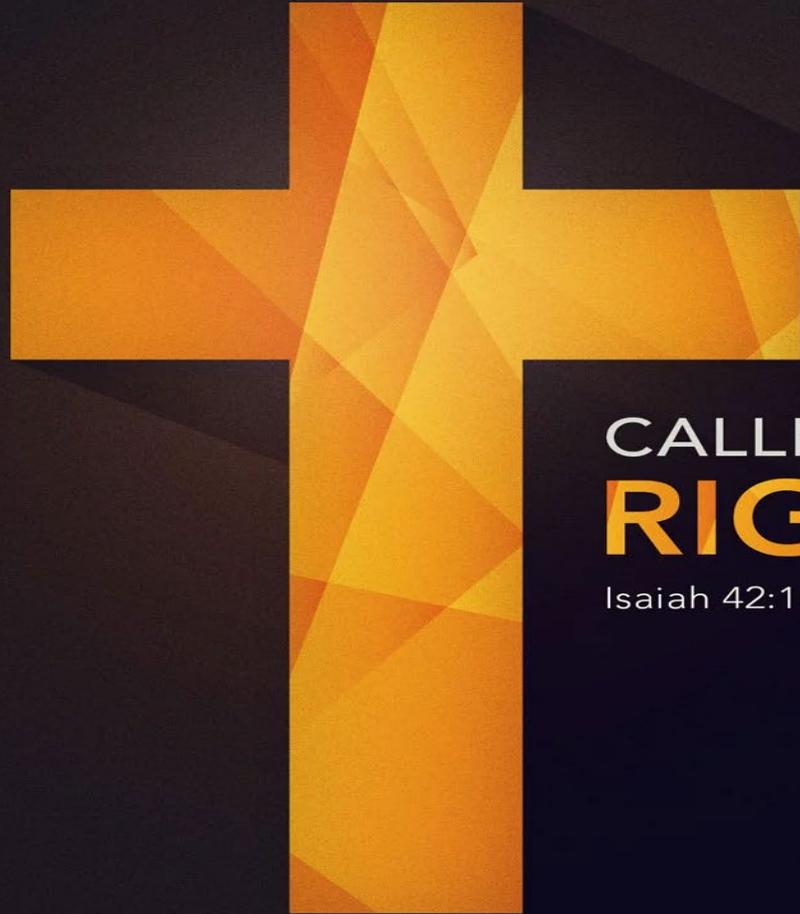
# CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00)

Jesus is Baptized



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CALLED INTO  
**RIGHTEOUSNESS**

Isaiah 42:1-9

**Isaiah 42:1-9**

***The servant of the LORD brings justice***

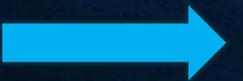


**P:** The word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

# *PSALM 29*

*“GIVE YOU UNTO  
THE LORD”*



1.

**Give you unto the LORD, you sons  
that of the mighty be,  
All strength and glory to the LORD  
with cheerfulness give you.**



2.

**Unto the LORD the glory give  
that to his name is due;  
And in the beauty of holiness  
unto JEHOVAH bow.**



**3.**

**A pow'rful voice it is that comes  
out from the LORD most high;  
The voice of that great LORD is full  
of glorious majesty.**



4.

**GOD's voice does  
make the hinds to calve,  
it makes the forest bare:  
And in his temple ev'ry one  
his glory does declare.**



**God plays  
no favourites!  
It makes  
no difference  
who you are  
or where you're from.  
Acts 10:34**

**Acts 10:34-43**

***Jesus' ministry after his baptism***



**P:** The word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

***SPECIAL MUSIC: (8:15)***



**ON JORDAN'S  
BANK THE  
BAPTIST'S CRY**

***Arr. Sylvia Oines***

***CHOIR ANTHEM (11:00)***

**WASHED A NEW**

*The Power & Promise of Baptism*

***JOY Choir***

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:***

***ALLELUIA***

***ELW page 188***



**Alleluia.**

**Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words**

**of eternal life. Alleluia.-----**

**Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia.---**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**P : The Holy Gospel according to  
Matthew 3:13-17  
C: Glory to you, O Lord**

This is My  
Beloved Son

*In whom*

*I am  
well  
please*



Matthew 3:17



**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** Praise to you, O Christ.

**Today's  
Message  
given by  
  
Pastor  
Art Wuertz**



***a moment of silence  
for reflection***

***HYMN OF THE DAY***

***“Come to the Water”***

***Spirit & Song #***

***281***



**1.**

**O let all who thirst**

**Let them come to the water**

**And let all who have nothing**

**Let them come to the Lord**



**Without money,  
without price**

**Why should you pay the price  
Except for the Lord?**



**2.**

**And let all who seek**

**Let them come to the water**

**And let all who have nothing**

**Let them come to the Lord**



**Without money,  
without strife**

**Why should you spend your life  
Except for the Lord?**



**3.**

**And let all who toil  
Let them come to the water  
And let all who are weary  
Let them come to the Lord**



**All who labor  
without rest**

**How can your soul find rest  
Except for the Lord?**



4.

And let all the poor  
Let them come to the water  
Bring the ones who are laden,  
Bring them all to the Lord:



**Bring the children  
without might  
Easy the load and light  
Come to the Lord**

## *Apostle's Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**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.**



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. Amen.

# **PRAYERS of the PEOPLE**



**Response after each petition is:  
“Receive our prayer”**

# *Passing of the Peace*

**P:** The peace of the  
Lord be with you  
always.

**C:** And also  
with you.

*(Share the sign of peace  
in the manner you feel most comfortable.)*



# ***OFFERTORY***

**As With Gladness,  
Men Of Old**

The background of the text is a dark blue, starry night sky. A bright, multi-pointed star is visible on the right side. Below the text, the silhouettes of three men riding camels are shown against a dark horizon line. The camels are in a line, moving from left to right. The overall scene is a classic representation of the Three Kings journey.

***Com. Conrad Korcher***

***CONGREGATIONAL OFFERTORY***

***“As With Gladness  
Men of Old”***

***ELW # 302 verse 4***



4 Holy Jesus, ev'ry day  
keep us in the narrow way;  
and when earthly  
things are past,  
bring our ransomed  
souls at last



**where they need  
no star to guide,  
where no clouds  
thy glory hide.**

# *Offertory Prayer*

**A:** God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

# ***The Sacrament of Communion***

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

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



**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our  
God.

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

***It is indeed  
right...***



***SANCTUS***

***“Holy, Holy, Holy”***

***ELW page 190***



**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of pow'r and might,  
heaven and earth  
are full of your glory,  
full of your glory.**



**Hosanna,  
hosanna,  
hosanna in the highest.**



**Blessed is he who  
comes in the  
name of the Lord.**



**Hosanna,  
hosanna,  
hosanna in the highest.**

# ***Eucharistic Prayer***

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## ***Words of Institution***



# ***The Lord's Prayer***

**Our Father,  
who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily  
bread;  
and forgive us our  
trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into  
temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

# ***Invitation to Communion***

**P:** Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table; taste and see.

**C:** Amen.

***ALL*** baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table.

***Altar Rail communion will be observed today.***

***Gluten-free wafers (distributed by Assistant Minister) and grape juice***

***(Clear juice in center of tray) are also offered, if desired.***

***If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please let the usher know.***

***“LAMB OF GOD”***

**ELW page 191**



**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 peace,  
grant us peace,  
Lamb of God.**

*Communion Meditation (11:00)*



**ON JORDAN'S  
BANK THE  
BAPTIST'S CRY**

**Arr. Sylvia Oines**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN:**

*“Spirit of Gentleness”*

*ELW # 396*



# *Refrain*

**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow through the wilderness  
calling and free;**



**Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
stir me from placidness, wind,  
wind on the sea.**



1

**You moved on the waters, you  
called to the deep,  
then you coaxed up the  
mountains from the valleys of  
sleep;**



**and over the eons you called to  
each thing:**

**"Awake from your slumbers  
and rise on your wings."**



# *Refrain*

**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow through the wilderness  
calling and free;**



**Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
stir me from placidness, wind,  
wind on the sea.**



2

**You swept through the desert,  
you stung with the sand,  
and you goaded your people  
with a law and a land;**



**and when they were blinded  
with idols and lies,  
then you spoke through your  
prophets to open their eyes.**



# *Refrain*

**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow through the wilderness  
calling and free;**



**Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
stir me from placidness, wind,  
wind on the sea.**



3

**You sang in a stable,  
you cried from a hill,  
then you whispered in silence  
when the whole world was still;**



**and down in the city you called  
once again,  
when you blew through  
your people on  
the rush of the wind.**



# *Refrain*

**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow through the wilderness  
calling and free;**



**Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
stir me from placidness, wind,  
wind on the sea.**



4

**You call from tomorrow,  
you break ancient schemes.**

**From the bondage of sorrow  
all the captives dream dreams;**



**our women see visions, our  
men clear their eyes.  
With bold new decisions your  
people arise.**



# *Refrain*

**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow through the wilderness  
calling and free;**



**Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
stir me from placidness, wind,  
wind on the sea.**

**My Worth Is Not  
In What I Own**

***CCLI #7024758***

**1. My worth is not in  
what I own**

**Not in the strength of  
Flesh and bone**



**But in the costly  
Wounds of love**

**At the cross**



**2. My worth is not in  
Skill or name**

**In win or lose**

**In pride or shame**



**But in the blood of  
Christ that flowed**

**At the cross**

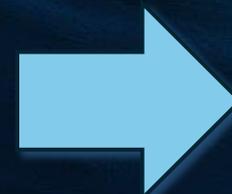


**(CHORUS)**

**I rejoice in my Redeemer**

**Greatest treasure**

**Wellspring of my soul**



**I will trust in Him  
No other**

**My soul is satisfied  
In Him alone**



**3. As summer flowers  
We fade and die**

**Fame, youth, and beauty  
Hurry by**



**But life eternal  
Calls to us  
At the cross**



**4. I will not boast  
In wealth or might  
Or human wisdom's  
Fleeting light**



**But I will boast  
In knowing Christ  
At the cross**

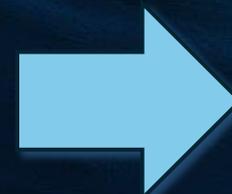


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**5. Two wonders here  
That I confess**

**My worth and my  
unworthiness**



**My value fixed**  
**My ransom paid**  
**At the cross**

# ***Communion Blessing***

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord  
Jesus Christ strengthen you and  
keep you in His grace.

**C:** Amen.

## ***Prayer after Communion***

**A:** Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## *Blessing*

**P:** May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise ✝ bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN***

***“Everlasting God”***

***CCLI # 4556538***

Shout to the Lord

# Verse

**Strength will rise as we wait  
upon the Lord,  
We will wait upon the Lord,  
We will wait upon the Lord.**



**Strength will rise as we wait  
upon the Lord,  
We will wait upon the Lord,  
We will wait upon the Lord.**



# Pre-Chorus

**Our God, You reign forever  
Our Hope, our strong Deliv'rer**



# Chorus

**You are the everlasting God,  
The everlasting God,  
You do not faint,  
You won't grow weary.**



**You're the defender of the weak,  
You comfort those in need.  
You lift us up on wings like eagles.**



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# ***Sending***

**A: Go in peace.**

**Do justice.**

**Love mercy.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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*“O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright”*  
*arr. Joseph Herl*

