



Baptism of our Lord, Sunday, January 10, 2020

Holy Eucharist

The First Sunday After the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ
Sunday, January 10, 2021

Liturgy of the Word

Opening Voluntary

Cn. Jeffrey H. Rickard, organ

At the sound of the bell, all stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church.

Welcome

Fr. Paul

Opening Hymn

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Hymnal 76

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an -
2 Then cleansed be ev - ery breast from sin; make
3 For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, our
4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and
5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee, whose

1 noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,
2 straight the way for God with - in, and let each heart pre -
3 re - fuge, and our great re - ward; with - out thy grace we
4 bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; shine forth, and let thy
5 ad - vent doth thy peo - ple free; whom with the Fa - ther

1 for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
 2 pare a home where such a might - y guest may come.
 3 waste a - way like flowers that with - er and de - cay.
 4 light re - store earth's own true love - li - ness once more.
 5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.

All standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
 And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
 Amen.

People

There is one Body and one Spirit;
 There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People One God and Father of all.

The Celebrant and People together all sing:

Stuart Goodwin

Forcefully
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 Glory to God in the highest and peace to God's people on
 earth. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther.
 We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise— you— for your
 glo-ry. *mf* Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther,
poco rit.
 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father re-
 cieve our_ prayer. For you a-lone are the Holy one, you a-lone are the
 Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ with the
 Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the_ Fa-ther_ A_____ men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

First Reading

Genesis 1:1-5

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29

Afferte Domino

1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *

- ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
 - 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
 - 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
 - 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
 - 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
 - 7 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.
 - 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
 - 9 And in the temple of the LORD*
all are crying, "Glory!"
 - 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.
 - 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Second Reading

Acts 19:1-7

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. 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." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." 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." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon

them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

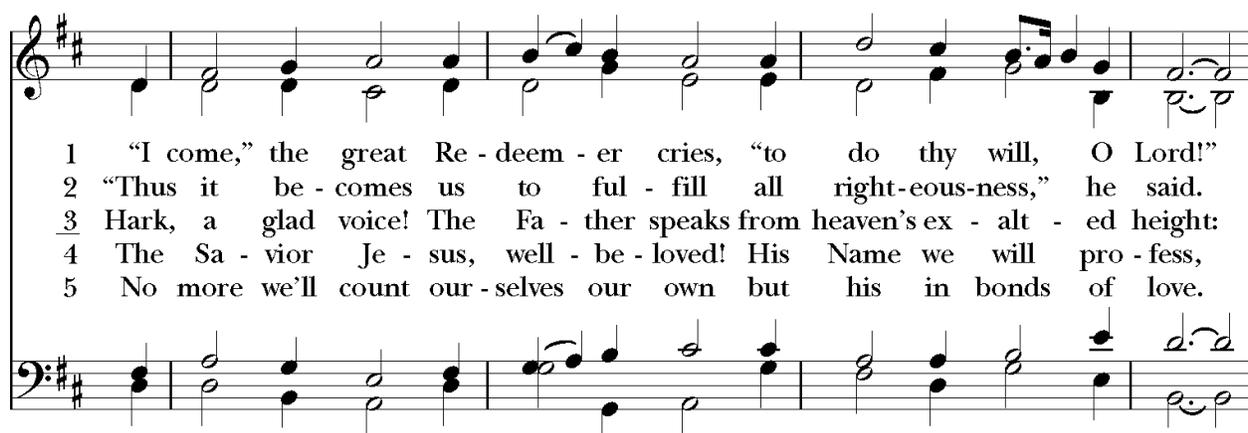
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People Thanks be to God.

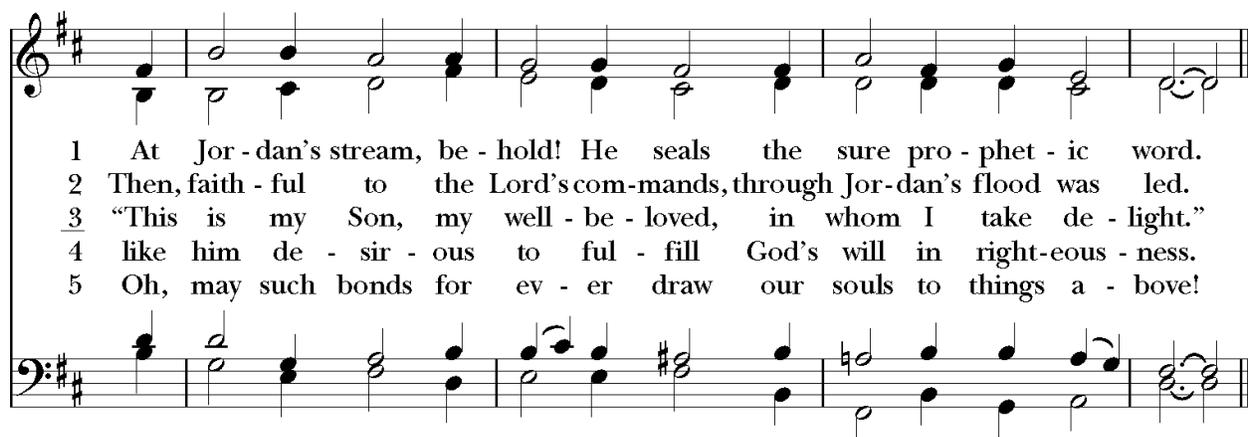
Sequence

“I come,” the great Redeemer cries

Hymnal 116



1 “I come,” the great Re - deem - er cries, “to do thy will, O Lord!”
2 “Thus it be - comes us to ful - fill all right - eous - ness,” he said.
3 Hark, a glad voice! The Fa - ther speaks from heaven’s ex - alt - ed height:
4 The Sa - vior Je - sus, well - be - loved! His Name we will pro - fess,
5 No more we’ll count our - selves our own but his in bonds of love.



1 At Jor - dan’s stream, be - hold! He seals the sure pro - phet - ic word.
2 Then, faith - ful to the Lord’s com - mands, through Jor - dan’s flood was led.
3 “This is my Son, my well - be - loved, in whom I take de - light.”
4 like him de - sir - ous to ful - fill God’s will in right - eous - ness.
5 Oh, may such bonds for ev - er draw our souls to things a - bove!

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:4-11

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a

leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Fr. Paul

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

This day Jesus is revealed as the Christ in the waters of baptism.

Celebrant I will take you from the nations,
People *and gather you from all the countries.*

Celebrant I will sprinkle clean water upon you,
People *and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness.*

Celebrant A new heart I will give you,
People *and put a new spirit within you.*

Celebrant You shall be my people,
People *and I will be your God.*

The celebrant says

Dear People of God: In Holy Baptism we follow the pattern of our Lord Jesus Christ. As he came up from the water he was anointed by the Spirit of God and designated as God’s Son. So, we also are anointed by that same Spirit; we are reborn and adopted as sons and daughters with whom God is well please. Let us now renew our own baptismal covenant.

Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?
People I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant
People

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant
People

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
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.

Celebrant
People

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the
breaking of bread, and in the prayers ?
I will, with God's help.

Celebrant
People

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,
repent and return to the Lord?
I will, with God's help.

Celebrant
People

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in
Christ?
I will, with God's help.

Celebrant
People

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor
as yourself?
I will, with God's help.

Celebrant
People

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect
the dignity of every human being?
I will, with God's help.

The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows

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.*

Prayers of the People

All remain standing.

Intercessor Sisters and brothers, ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name. Let us approach our great God with humble hearts saying:

Lord, give strength to your people;

People *Bless us with peace.*

Intercessor Lover of souls, you seal us by your Holy Spirit in baptism and claim us as your own for ever: may our offering of worship be acceptable in your sight.

Lord, give strength to your people;

People *Bless us with peace.*

Intercessor Lover of souls, you sit enthroned for evermore: may the leaders of the nations do just and govern with mercy.

Lord, give strength to your people;

People *Bless us with peace.*

Intercessor Lover of souls, you created the heavens and the earth: we praise you that you make such basic things of earth—water for baptism, grapes and grain to sustain our souls.

Lord, give strength to your people;

People *Bless us with peace.*

Intercessor Lover of souls, you forgive the penitent and care for the injured: be with all victims of gun violence; heal and convert the hearts of the violent.

Lord, give strength to your people;

People *Bless us with peace.*

Intercessor Lover of souls, your voice is a voice of splendor: speak healing and comfort to all the broken hearted and needy.

Lord, give strength to your people;

People *Bless us with peace.*

Intercessor Lover of souls, you called the light into being: let light perpetual shine on those who have died. May we all rest in the hope of life eternal, Lord, give strength to your people;
People Bless us with peace.

A Prayer in Time of Great Sickness and Mortality

O most mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee unto thee for succor. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use of for their cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts unto that heavenly wisdom which leadeth to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Oppressed

Look with pity, O heavenly Father, upon the people in this land who live with injustice, terror, disease, and death as their constant companions. Have mercy upon us. Help us to eliminate our cruelty to these our neighbors. Strengthen those who spend their lives establishing equal protection of the law and equal opportunities for all. And grant that every one of us may enjoy a fair portion of the riches of this land; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Celebrant concludes with the following

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe: to you be praise and glory for ever. As you give medicine to heal our sickness and the leaves of the tree of life for the healing of the nations, so anoint us with your healing power that we may be the first-fruits of your new creation. *Amen.*

Peace

Celebrant God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
People has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

I appeal to you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. *Romans 12:1*

Offertory Solo

We Are Called to Be His Servants

by John Carter
Zabrina Dunham, soprano

*We are called to be his servants, to be salt and light;
We are called to point the way to the kingdom.
We are called to be his servants, to be salt and light;
We are called, we are called in his name.*

When a brother is hungry we can offer a meal.
When a sister is hurting we can help her to heal.
When a neighbor is needy we can offer a hand.
We are called, we are called in his name.

Refrain

If a brother is lonely we can stop for awhile.
If a sister is weeping we can offer a smile.
If a burden needs sharing we can make it our own.
We are called, we are called in his name.

Refrain

Mary Kay Beall

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

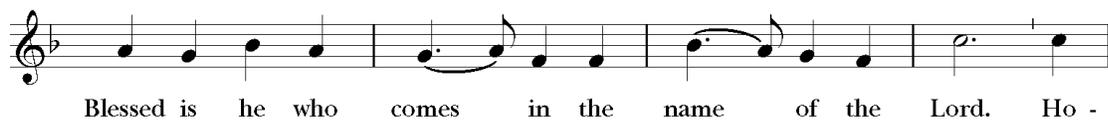
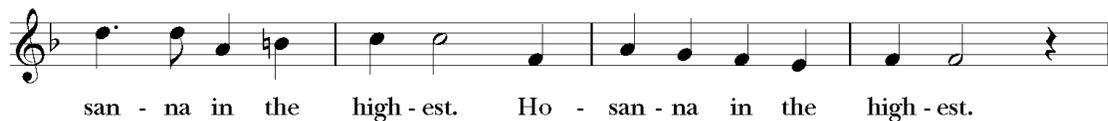
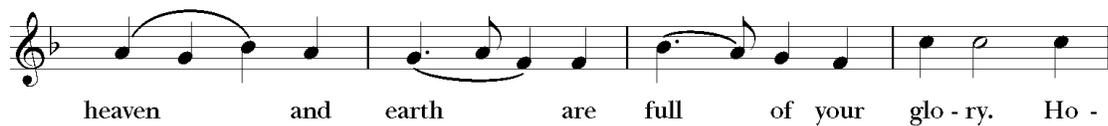
People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

Our Father in heaven,
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.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The presider invites the following prayer to be said by all:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. *(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)*

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Anthem

A Song of Micah

Jack Noble White

*What doth the Lord require of thee?
What doth the Lord require of me?
But to do justly, love mercy,
And to walk humbly with thy God.*

When the pathway of life presents its trials
And you feel your destination is unclear,
You can happily walk on for miles and miles
Just knowing that your God is always near.

Refrain

Adapted from Micah 6:8

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.*

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. *Amen.*

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. *Amen.*

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Postcommunion Hymn

Christ, when for us you were baptized

Hymnal 121

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,
2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,
3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call
4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.
sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.
free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

Announcements

Announcements may be made at this point in the service.

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary

Cn. Jeffrey H. Rickard, organ