



Luther Memorial Church

## Holy Communion

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2026 | 10:30 AM

## Welcome!

Please silence your cell phone in the nave.

### LIVESTREAM BROADCAST

This service is livestreamed on our website at [www.luthermem.org](http://www.luthermem.org) and YouTube. Cameras are installed in the nave, and worshipers may occasionally be visible on this broadcast.

### PARKING

Free parking is available Sundays in the Grainger Hall parking ramp, one block east of the church, off Brooks Street. For closer access, parking is available in the garage under the church off Conklin Place alley.

### RESOURCES

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

### CHILDCARE

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. The nursery is open but unstaffed today.

### LEARN MORE

If you would like a pastor to call, or want to learn more:

- Please fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate
- Visit us online at [www.luthermem.org](http://www.luthermem.org) or Facebook

**PRELUDE** Adagio in E Major | Frank Bridge (1879-1941)

## GATHERING

*Please turn and face the baptismal font at the rear of the nave.*

### P. 227 SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

*Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.*

### #305 PROCESSIONAL HYMN When Jesus Came to Jordan

### APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### GLORIA

Glo - ry to God in the high -

est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and

Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly 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.

Glo - ry to God in the high -

est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit at his baptism and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep faithful all who are born of water and the Spirit, that all may live as children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## WORD

*Please sit.*

### FIRST READING Isaiah 42:1-9

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 out 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

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 29

*Antiphon sung once by the choir, then sung by all.*



Ascribe to the | Lord, you gods,  
ascribe to the Lord glo- | ry and strength.

**Ascribe to the Lord the glory | due God's name;  
worship the Lord in the beau- | ty 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 pow- | erful voice;  
the voice of the Lord is a | voice of splendor.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the | cedar trees;  
the Lord breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

**the Lord makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.**

The voice | of the Lord  
bursts forth in | lightning flashes.

**The voice of the Lord | shakes the wilderness;  
the Lord shakes the wilder- | ness 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 a- | bove the flood;  
the Lord sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.**

O Lord, give strength | to your people;  
give them, O Lord, the bless- | ings of peace.

*Antiphon sung by all.*

**SECOND READING** Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and his household: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness 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."

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise.*

**#304 GOSPEL PROCESSION** Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized (Stanzas 1 & 2)

**GOSPEL** Matthew 3:13-17

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

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 fulfill 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 God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**#304 GOSPEL RECESSION** Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized (Stanzas 3 & 4)

*Please sit.*

**SERMON**

*Please rise.*

**#450 HYMN OF THE DAY** I Bind unto Myself Today

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

... Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Please greet your neighbor: **Peace be with you.***

## MEAL

*Please sit.*

**OFFERING** The Baptism of Christ | Michael Bedford (b. 1949)

Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane

*[Jesus again today returned to the Jordan.]*

*When Jesus Christ baptised was,*

*The Holy Ghost descended with grace;*

*The Father's voice was heard in this place:*

Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende.

*[This is my Son, listen to him]*

Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane.

*There were three Persons and one Lord,*

*The Son baptised with one accord,*

*The Father said this blessed word:*

Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende.

Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane.

*Now, Jesu, as thou art both God and Man,*

*And were baptised in from Jordan,*

*At our last end we pray thee, say then:*

Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende.

Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane.

*Please rise.*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

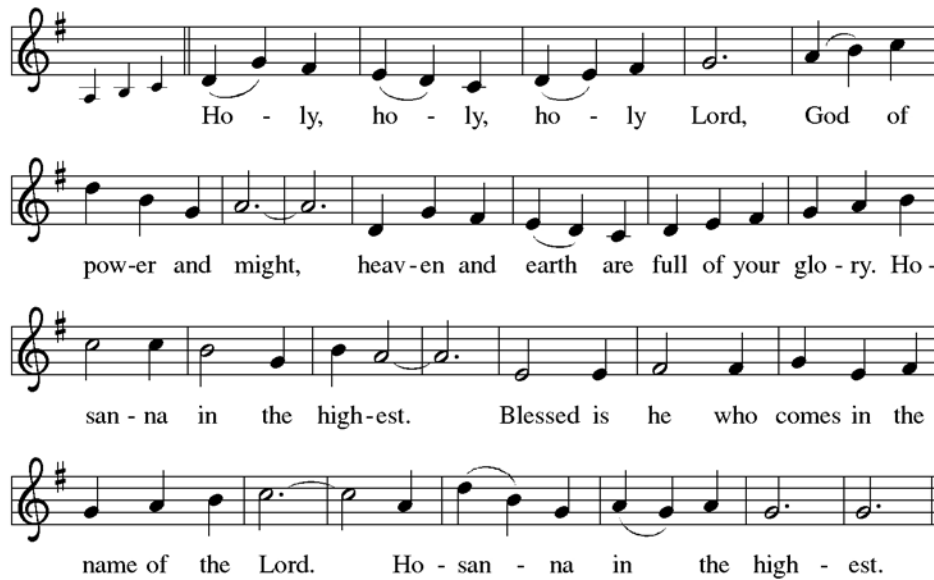
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

Remembering, therefore... now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

## LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa-ther, who art in heav- en, hal- low- ed be  
thy name, thy king-dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heav- en. Give us this day our

dai- ly bread; and for- give us our tres- pass- es,  
as we for- give those who tres- pass a- gainst us; and lead us  
not in- to temp- ta- tion, but de- liv- er us from e- vil.  
For thine is the king- dom, and the pow- er, and the  
glo- ry, for- ev- er and ev- er. A- men.

*Please sit.*

#### AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

#### THE COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from the second chalice. Gluten-free bread is available on request.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS

#445 Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

#455 Crashing Waters at Creation

*Please rise.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son.

By your spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

## BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.*

**RECESSIONAL HYMN** When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known (*Lutheran Book of Worship #85*)



1 When Christ's ap - pear - ing was made known, King Her - od  
2 The east - ern sa - ges saw from far and fol - lowed  
3 With - in the Jor - dan's sa - cred flood the heav'n - ly  
4 And oh, what mir - a - cle di - vine, when wa - ter  
5 For this his glad e - piph - a - ny, all glo - ry



trem-bled for his throne; but he who of - fers heav'n - ly  
on his guid - ing star; by light their way to light they  
Lamb in meek - ness stood, that he, of whom no sin was  
red - dened in - to wine! He spoke the word, and forth it  
un - to Je - sus be; whom with the Fa - ther we a -



birth seeks not the king - doms of this earth.  
trod, and by their gifts con - fessed their God.  
known, might cleanse his peo - ple from their own.  
flowed in streams that na - ture ne'er be - stowed.  
dore, and Ho - ly Ghost for - ev - er - more.

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** Allegro maestoso | Eugene Thayer









## TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

O Jesus, fountain of life, come,  
give me to drink a cup of the living  
water which floweth from Thee,  
that once I have tasted Thee, I may  
nevermore thirst save for Thee.  
Immerse my whole being in the  
depths of Thy mercy. Baptize me  
in the spotlessness of Thy precious  
death. Renew me in Thy blood,  
wherewith Thou hast redeemed  
me. In the water from Thy most  
holy side, wash away every stain  
wherewith I have ever soiled my  
baptismal innocence. Fill me with  
Thy Spirit, and take possession of  
my whole being in purity both of  
body and soul. Let me always bear  
upon my shoulders, for love of  
Thy love, the sweet yoke and light  
burden of Thy commandments,  
and constantly taste the mystery  
of holy faith like a bundle of myrrh  
upon my breast, that Thou who  
wast crucified for me mayest abide  
ever impressed upon my heart.  
Amen.

*Gertrude the Great*  
(1256–1302)

## SERVING TODAY

PRESIDER	Pastor Brad Pohlman
PREACHER	Pastor John Worzala Dumke
ORGANIST	Andrew Schaeffer
ACOLYTES	Esther Szczykutowicz, Abrielle Shirek
ASSISTING MINISTER	David Zentner
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LECTOR	Brenda Ryther
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USHERS	Calvin Slinde, Corbin Slinde

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