



Welcome to all! Our mission at ILC: To thank, praise, honor and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we gather and worship, grow in the Word, and serve God by serving people.

A special welcome to guests and visitors! May our time together be a blessing to you.

Information for Visitors ...

Coffee & Fellowship is available in the Lower Narthex each Sunday between services.

A Nursery is available from 8:30am-12:00pm for children through age 4. It is located in the hallway just outside the Narthex.

Children's bulletins are available from the ushers.

Elevator is located through the basement and the ushers' room in the sanctuary.

Sunday School is at 9:45am and all ages are welcome. Adult classes meet in the Conference Room, Parlor and Cry Room.

Red Worship Attendance pads are passed during the offering. Please take a moment to register your attendance. Visitors, please let us know if we can be of service to you.

Regular Worship Times: 7:45 & 11:00am – Traditional Worship (Sanctuary/Chapel)
8:45am – Contemporary Worship (Parish Hall)

HOLY COMMUNION

The sacrament is celebrated at all worship services every Sunday. All are welcome, believing that our Lord is present offering grace and forgiveness.

At 7:45 service you will be ushered forward to kneel at the railing. Please leave your chalice on the railing.

At 8:45 and 11:00 service you will commune by intinction, meaning you may dip the wafer in either the wine or grape juice or drink from the common cup.

Gluten-free wafers and/or white grape juice are available at all services.

Please Turn Off All Cell Phones & Pagers
Thank You!!

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

C: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

P: Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

C: By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

P: Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be give honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN: "We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus"

ELW 451

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

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

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

Amen

First Reading Isaiah 43:1-7

Near the end of Israel's exile in Babylon, God promises to bring them home. They need no longer be afraid, because the one who formed, created, and called them by name now redeems them from all their enemies. God declares them precious and honored, and God loves them.

¹But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Psalm 29 (read responsively)

¹Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendor.

³The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

4The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

5The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

6He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

7The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

8The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

9The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

10The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

11May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Second Reading Reading Acts 8:14-17

Peter and John are sent to support the new Christians in Samaria, a group that was recently baptized after hearing the good news of Christ through the preaching of Philip. Here the Samaritans receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the laying on of hands.

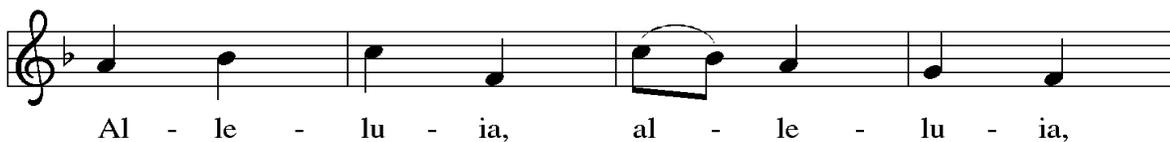
14Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. **15**The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit **16**(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). **17**Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00)

VERSE



Repeat alleluia



P: The holy gospel according to Luke the 3rd chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The reading opens with questions about the identity of the Messiah. John the Baptist insists that he is not the Messiah; instead he points ahead to one who is coming. And whether the voice of God was heard by all or only by Jesus, God settles the matter: Jesus is God's beloved Son.

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." ²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

P: The gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "*Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized*" **ELW 304**

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.

The Prayers of the Church

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

PEACE

CHOIR *"You Are Mine"* (11:00)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major (one sharp). The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." The music is in a common time signature (C) and consists of two systems of staves.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711
Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray,

C: **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, 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.

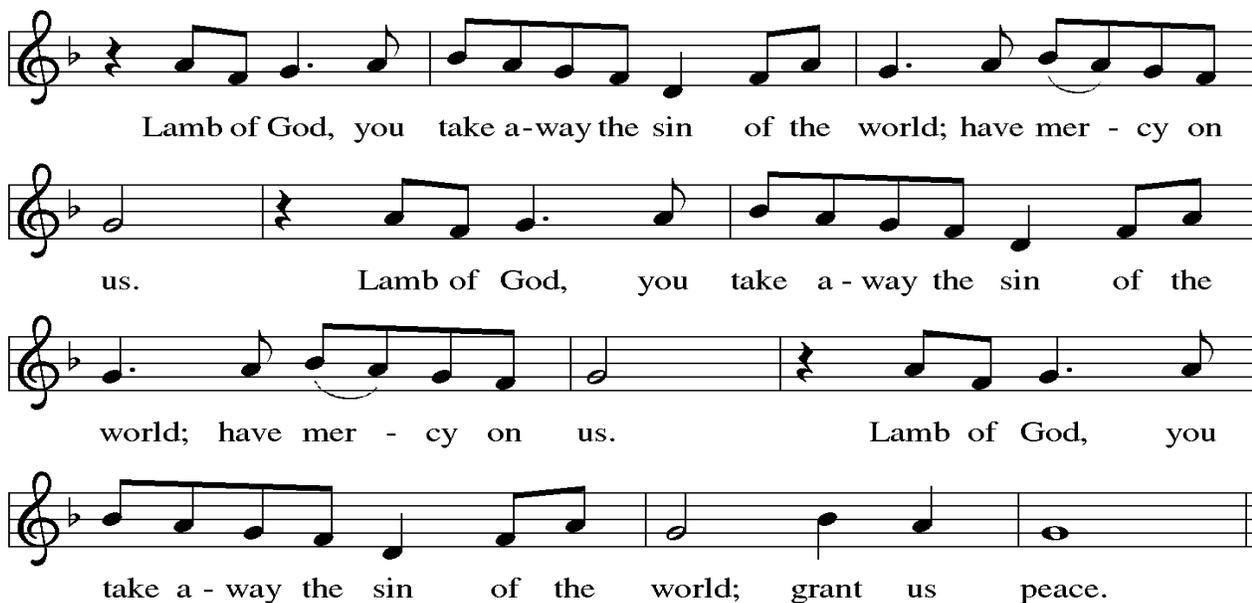
PREFACE

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. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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



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.

Hymns during Communion

"Baptized in Water"

ELW 456

"Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God"

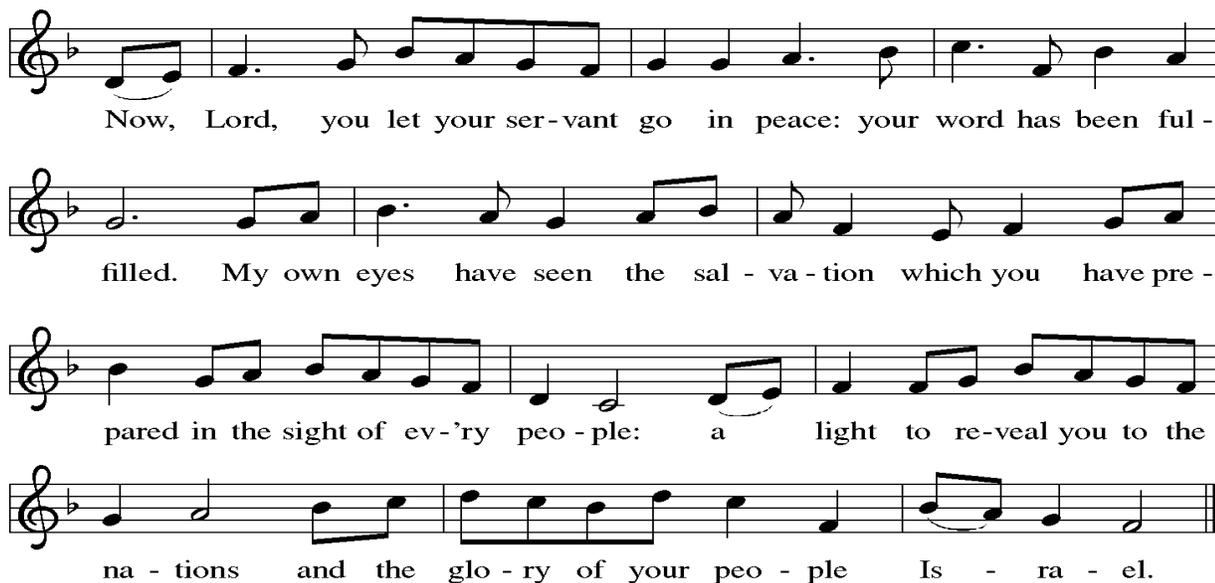
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"Baptized and Set Free"

ELW 453

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -
pared in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the
na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen

CLOSING HYMN *“Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters”* **ELW 445**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Mission Statement

To thank, praise, honor and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we gather and worship, grow in the Word, and serve God by serving people.

GATHER and Worship

Please pray for these ILC members:

Elois Sakewitz	Hal Kuempel	Billie Becker	Dorothy Plattow
Donna Cearley	H.L. Weiss	Donna Getz	Lola Sakewitz
Marie Randig	Wendy Weiss	Joann Damstrom	Bennie Hammett
Vernice Krueger	Charles Tawater	Judy Tawater	

Please also pray for these friends & extended family members:

Seth Munk	Rodney Reed	Eryn Emken	Calen Stewart
Brianna Bonnet	Mathilda Machicek	Evelyn Wuensche	Irene Michna
Mickey Elsner	Karen Benavidez	Suzanne Gautney	Rev. Mark Gruebmeier

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

In our time of loss we pray for: The Family of Sharon Gruebmeier, Laura McGarity's mother who passed away last Sunday.

Known Hospitalized: Vernice Krueger, Cornerstone Rehab., Austin

This Week's Gatherings:

Today	Town Hall Meeting – Parish Hall	9:45am
	Youth Committee Meeting – Bistro	12:00pm
Mon.	Men's Basketball	8:00pm
Tues.	UP – Parish Hall	9:00am-3:00pm
	Church Council – Conference Room	7:00pm
Wed.	Men's Breakfast	6:30am
	Quilters - Narthex	8:30am
	UP – Parish Hall	9:00am-3:00pm
	Adult Choir	6:30pm
Thurs.	UP – Parish Hall	9:00am-3:00pm
Fri.	Scouts Pine Derby Check-In – Parish Hall	7:00-9:00pm
Sat.	Scouts Pine Derby Races - Parish Hall	8:30am-3:30pm
Sun.	Traditional Worship Service – Chapel/Sanctuary	7:45 & 11:00am
	Contemporary Worship Service – Parish Hall	8:45am
	Sunday School & 8 th Grade Confirmation	9:45am
	Town Hall Meeting – Narthex	12:15pm

GROW in the Word***Bible Studies this week:***

Mon.	Crafters Circle – Candy Hansen’s Studio Workroom	9:00am
Wed.	7 th Grade Confirmation Class – Garage	6:30pm

Adult Class – Conference Room – 9:45-10:45am - A Study of this Sunday’s Gospel.

Adult Class – Come join us in the Cry Room 9:45-10:45am. "Live Faithfully" A Study in the Book of James. Come join us for this new topic!

SERVE God by Serving People

Council Member & Elder Duty for January – Devorah Jakubowsky is responsible this month for locking up the facility. Please contact her at 512-251-8692 or 512-496-2052 if you have any special facility needs. Elders this month are Marie Davis – early service (512-251-2508); Kurt Schwartz – middle & late service (512-636-3158). **Please contact them if you would like to assist with worship in January go to <http://bit.ly/ILCsignup> to sign up yourself.** If you are a visitor and need any assistance, an elder can help you! You can identify an elder by a person wearing a large red nametag.

“Yellow Brick House” Food Pantry continues to be open weekly and needs: We ask that you prayerfully consider helping with this ministry through the offering plate or by supplying any of the following items: family size (26 oz.) cans of soup; Knorr sides (rice); brownie mix; desserts (cupcakes); cereals; snack pack puddings; Jumex juices; Welch’s 6 pack juices; 29 oz. cans fruit; tuna “helper”; chicken “helper”.

Backpack Ministry provides a small bag of food for at-need elementary school kids at Ruth Barron Elementary School each Friday. Please prayerfully consider donating any of the following items: single serve mac and cheese; canned chicken noodle soup; instant oatmeal packets or cups; fruit cups, individual servings; ramen cups; peanut butter crackers; popcorn, individual bags; granola bars; fruit snacks; goldfish crackers; shelf-stable milk (8 oz. boxes, any flavor).

Lutheran World Relief: Women of Immanuel are asking for your help in collecting items for LWR Baby Care Kits during the months of January and February. Check the WELCA bulletin board for more information about this project.

Secret Sister Reveal Brunch will be held Saturday, January 26th, at 9:00am in the Narthex. Please bring your favorite brunch food item to share and a small gift for your prayer sister as you will reveal yourself to your secret prayer sister at the brunch.

All Ladies of Immanuel are invited to attend the Capital North & South Conference event held at Immanuel on Saturday, March 2nd in the Parish Hall from 9am-3pm. The theme is "God, Our Wireless Connection" based on James 5:16b. Come at 8:30am for coffee and goodies. Lunch is provided. Everyone attending must register and forms are on the WELCA bulletin board in the hallway across from the lower narthex. Contact Janelle Hebbe, 512-251-4007 or janelle@sbcglobal.net.

Congregational Annual Meeting with Baked Potato Lunch is scheduled for Sunday, January 27th, immediately following the 11:00 am service in the Parish Hall. There are several items on the agenda to be considered. A complete agenda will be in the Annual Report, which will be available Thursday, January 17th. We are looking for at least six candidates who are interested in serving on our Church Council. No experience necessary! Any individual who is a voting member of the congregation and has attained the age of 18 prior to the election is eligible. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Chris Rankin or any other member of the council.

Council Nominees: We are looking for at least six candidates who are interested in serving on our Church Council. No experience necessary! Any individual who is a voting member of the congregation and has attained the age of 18 prior to the election is eligible. If interested or have questions, contact Brett Coleman, Elizabeth Arndt, David Hufstedler, or Janelle Hebbe and submit a short bio to sherri@ilcpville.org.

Complimentary Community Education/Seminar: A self-defense (protect yourself) class is being offered on Saturday, February 2nd from 10:30am-12:00pm at ILC in the Parish Hall. Typical audience is middle school/high school teenagers (to prevent physical bullying) and women. An article with complete details will be provided in the February Image.

Town Hall Meetings - Today & Next Sunday: Where do we want our church to be in the year 2050? How do we propose getting there? These are among the questions ILC's Long-Range Planning Committee and Church Council have been striving to define for the past eighteen months. These meetings are your chance to learn more about what's been gleaned from individual and fellow church member input, what is now being presented as our Vision Statement, and about what we (the congregation) will be asked to endorse during our upcoming Annual Congregational Meeting on January 27th. Today's meeting will be in the Parish Hall and begin shortly after the

8:45am worship service concludes. Next Sunday's meeting will be in the Lower Narthex following the 11:00am service. All are welcome to attend.

ILDS Bible Lesson: This week we continued to learn about Abraham and how some visitors told Abraham and Sarah they were going to have a baby (even though they were old). Sarah laughed because she didn't believe it BUT as we know, God keeps his promises. God gave them a baby boy and they named him Isaac (which means "he will laugh").

The 14th Annual Austin and Central Texas Senior Fest will be held on Saturday, February 2, 2019 from 8:30am—3:00pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 3501 Red River Street, Austin. The theme will be "Living Fearless Lives of Courage and Faith" with keynote speaker the Bishop Michael Rinehart. Registration brochures are available on the table outside the office. The cost will be \$25. \$30 after January 27th.

Last Sunday's Worship Attendance: Early: 45; - Middle: 97 – Late: 102
Last Sunday's Sunday School Attendance: Youth: 37 – Adults: 42

Serving Today Jan 13th

Organists: Joy Arnhamn and Vernagene Mott
Choir Director: Renee Kesselring
Acolytes: Addison Villegas (7:45)
Elliott Weiss & Payton Montandon (11:00)
Jan. Elders: Marie Davis (early) Kurt Schwartz (middle & late)
Assisting Minister: Devorah Jakubowsky
Readers: Candy Hansen (7:45) **1 needed** (8:45) **1 needed** (11:00)
Communion Assts: Candy Hansen (7:45) Bob & Vicki Lovett, Sabastian & Nikolas Hamilton (8:45) **2 needed** (11:00)
Chapel Assts.: Carlton & Marilyn Lorfing, Ralph Kirkley (7:45)
Bruce Freudenberg (11:00)
Ushers: **4 needed** (7:45) Bob & Vicki Lovett, Sabastian & Nikolas Hamilton (8:45) **4 needed** (11:00)
Children's Message: Jennifer Hoffman (8:45) Rebecca Dittmar (11:00)
Console/Projectionist: Brent Reeder (7:45) Martin Jakubowsky (8:45)
Charles Kleen (11:00)
Middle Service Communion Host: Peggy Parker
Coffee Maker: Hal Kuempel
Altar Guild: Elizabeth Arndt & Lonna Duncan

Serving Next Week (Jan 20th)

Organists: Joy Arnhamn and Vernagene Mott

Choir Director: Renee Kesselring

Acolytes: Alyssa King (7:45)

Ava Owen & Kyle Ward (11:00)

Jan. Elders: Marie Davis (early) Kurt Schwartz (middle & late)

Assisting Minister: Chris Rankin

Readers: Annyce Bohls (7:45) **1 needed** (8:45) **1 needed** (11:00)

Communion Assts: Annyce Bohls (7:45) Bob & Vicki Lovett, **2 needed** (8:45)

Grace Lin, **1 needed** (11)

Chapel Assts: Carlton & Marilyn Lorfing, Ralph Kirkley (7:45) J.B. Marshall (11:00)

Ushers: **4 needed** (7:45) Bob & Vicki Lovett, **2 needed** (8:45)

4 needed (11:00)

Children's Message: Puppets (8:45) **1 needed** (11:00)

Console/Projectionist: Matthew Krieg (7:45) Martin Jakubowsky (8:45)

David Gifford (11:00)

Middle Service Communion Host: Lou Smith

Coffee Maker: Hal Kuempel

Altar Guild: Grace Lin & Mary Jo Beene

We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus



1 We are bap-tized in Christ Je - sus, we are bap - tized in his death;
2 In the wa - ter and the wit - ness, in the break - ing of the bread,
3 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to Christ the Son,



that as Christ is raised vic - to - rious, we might live a brand new life.
in the wait - ing arms of Je - sus who is ris - en from the dead,
glo - ry to the Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er three and ev - er one;



And if we have been u - nit - ed in a dread-ful death like his,
God has made a new be - gin - ning from the ash - es of our past;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, glo - ry now re-sounds a - gain

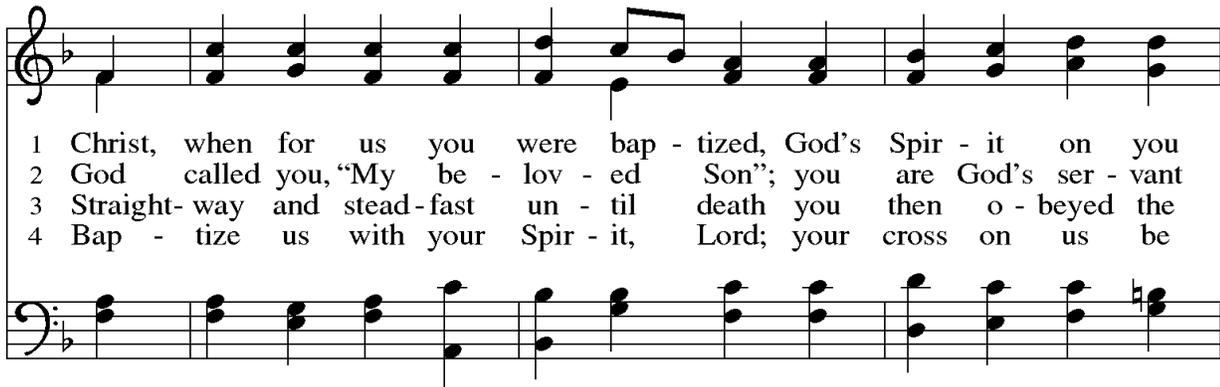


we will all be re - u - nit - ed, for he lives.
in the los - ing and the win - ning we hold fast.
in a song that has no end - ing. . . . A - men.

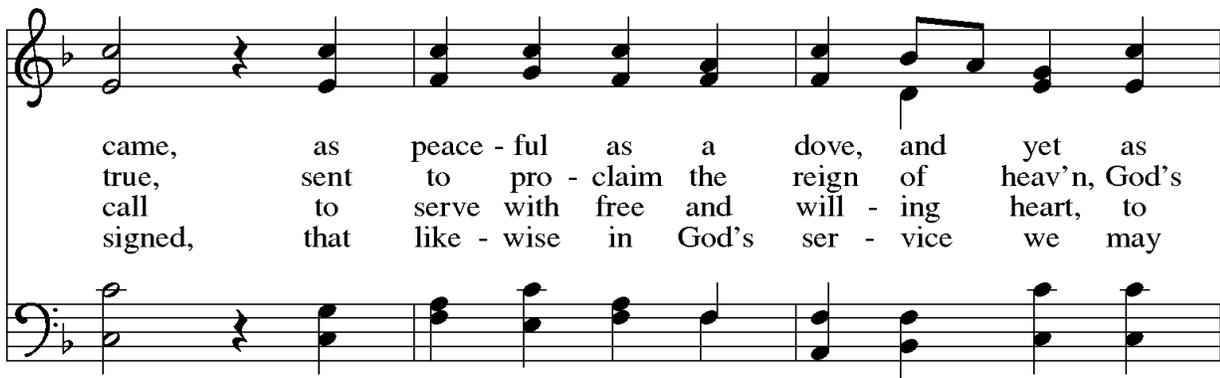
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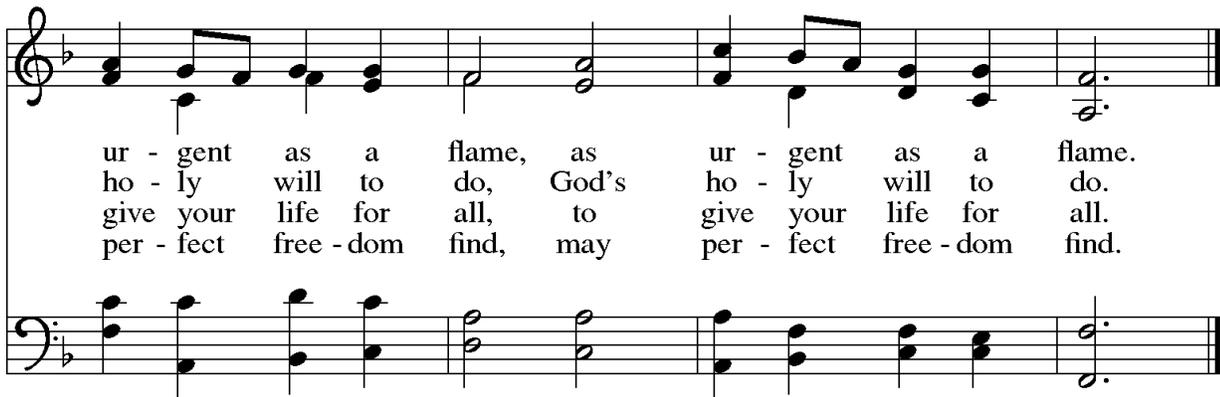
Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on you
 2 God called you, "My be - lov - ed Son"; you are God's ser - vant
 3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed the
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spir - it, Lord; your cross on us be



came, as peace - ful as a dove, and yet as
 true, sent to pro - claim the reign of heav'n, God's
 call to serve with free and will - ing heart, to
 signed, that like - wise in God's ser - vice we may



ur - gent as a flame, as ur - gent as a flame.
 ho - ly will to do, God's ho - ly will to do.
 give your life for all, to give your life for all.
 per - fect free - dom find, may per - fect free - dom find.

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Baptized in Water

1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the

blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his
 tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's

prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

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Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God

1 Praise and thanks - giv - ing be to God our
 2 Not our own ho - li - ness, nor that we have
 3 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come in vis - i -
 4 Praise to the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly

mak - er, source of all bless - ing, prod - i - gal cre -
 striv - en brings us the peace which you, O Christ, have
 ta - tion; you are the truth, our hope, and our sal -
 Spir - it: one Lord, one faith, one source of ev - 'ry

a - tor. Bap - tized and made your own, now we come be -
 giv - en. Bap - tized and set a - part, strength - en us, O
 va - tion. Bap - tize with joy and pow'r, give, O Dove de -
 mer - it. Here now re - new your church through this sym - bol

fore you, and we a - dore you.
 Sav - ior, with grace and fa - vor.
 scend - ing, life nev - er end - ing.
 giv - en; grant peace from heav - en.

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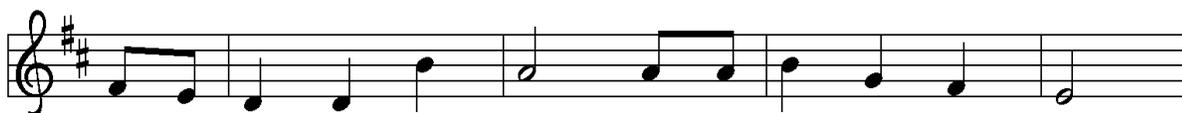
Baptized and Set Free



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
 2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
 3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
 4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
 Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.
 and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.
 All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
 For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:
 As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:
 Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.
 end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.
 pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.
 one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

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Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters



- 1 Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
- 2 We who bring them long for nur-ture; by your milk may we be fed.
- 3 Oh, how deep your ho-ly wis-dom! Un-im-ag-ined, all your ways!



Num-ber them a-mong your peo-ple; bless as Christ blessed long a-go.
Let us join your feast, par-tak-ing cup of bless-ing, liv-ing bread.
To your name be glo-ry, hon-or! With our lives we wor-ship, praise!



Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; com-pass them with love and light.
God, re-new us, guide our foot-steps; free from sin and all its snares,
We your peo-ple stand be-fore you, wa-ter-washed and Spir-it-born.



Fill, a-noint them; send your Spir-it, ho-ly dove and heart's de-light.
one with Christ in liv-ing, dy-ing, by your Spir-it, chil-dren, heirs.
By your grace, our lives we of-fer. Re-cre-ate us; God, trans-form!

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