

# SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

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## Worship Focus

Jesus, Revealed – As the Anointed One



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## OPENING HYMN

82 – Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to  
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Proph - et, Priest, and  
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole Pal - sied limbs and  
4 Sun and moon shall dark - ened be; Stars shall fall, the  
5 Grant us grace to see you, Lord, Mir - rored in your



you we raise, Man - i - fest - ed by the star  
King su - preme, And at Ca - na, Wed - ding Guest,  
faint - ing soul; Man - i - fest in val - iant fight,  
heav'ns shall flee, Christ will then like light - ning shine;  
ho - ly Word, May our lives and all we do



To the Ma - gi from a - far, Branch of roy - al  
In your God - head man - i - fest; Man - i - fest in  
Quell - ing all the dev - il's might; Man - i - fest in  
All will see his glo - rious sign. All will then the  
Im - i - tate and hon - or you That we all like



Da - vid's stem, In your birth at Beth - le - hem.  
pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine.  
gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill.  
trum - pet hear; All will see the judge ap - pear.  
you may be At your great e - piph - a - ny



An - them's be to you ad-dressed, God in man made man-i - fest.  
 An - them's be to you ad-dressed, God in man made man-i - fest.  
 An - them's be to you ad-dressed, God in man made man-i - fest.  
 You by all will be con-fessed, God in man made man-i - fest.  
 And may praise you, ev - er blest, God in man made man-i - fest.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-85, alt.  
 Tune: ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR (77 77 D) George J. Elvey, 1816-93.

## INVOCATION

**Minister** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



**Congregation** A - - men.

**M** Beloved in the Lord: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**C** **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.**

## LORD HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)



**C:** Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

## ABSOLUTION

**M** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



**M** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord:

**Lord God, our King on heaven's throne, Our Father, the Almighty One;  
O Lord, the Sole-begotten One, Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's Son,  
True God from all eternity, O Lamb of God—to you we flee.**

**You only are the Holy One; O'er all things you are Lord alone.  
O Jesus Christ, we glorify You and the Spirit, Lord most high;  
With him you evermore shall be One in the Father's majesty. (262:3,5)**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M** The Lord be with you.



**M** Let us pray. Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## THE WORD

### **FIRST LESSON** Isaiah 49:1-6

The Servant of the Lord speaks the mission God gave him – a mission that the Epiphany season makes known to us.

ISAIAH 49:1 Listen to me, you islands;

hear this, you distant nations:

Before I was born the LORD called me;  
from my birth he has made mention of my name.

<sup>2</sup> He made my mouth like a sharpened sword,  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me into a polished arrow  
and concealed me in his quiver.

<sup>3</sup> He said to me, “You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will display my splendor.”

<sup>4</sup> But I said, “I have labored to no purpose;  
I have spent my strength in vain and for nothing.  
Yet what is due me is in the LORD’s hand,  
and my reward is with my God.”

<sup>5</sup> And now the LORD says--  
he who formed me in the womb to be his servant  
to bring Jacob back to him  
and gather Israel to himself,  
for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD  
and my God has been my strength--

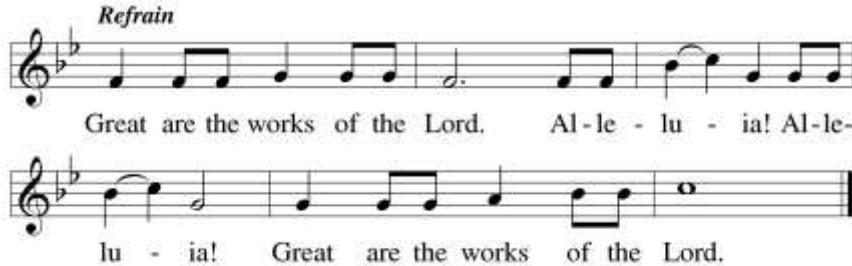
<sup>6</sup> he says:  
“It is too small a thing for you to be my servant  
to restore the tribes of Jacob  
and bring back those of Israel I have kept.  
I will also make you a light for the Gentiles,  
that you may bring my salvation to the ends of the earth.”

# PSALM

# Psalm 2

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*Refrain*



Great are the works of the Lord. Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia! Great are the works of the Lord.

*Psalm tone*



Why do the nations | conspire\*  
and the peoples | plot in vain?

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and the peoples | plot in vain?

The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers  
gather together a | gainst the LORD\*  
and against his A | nointed One.

## *Refrain*

The One enthroned in | heaven laughs;\*  
the Lord | scoffs at them.

Then he rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, | saying,\*  
“I have installed my King on Zion, my | holy hill.”

I will proclaim the decree | of the LORD:\*  
He said to me, “You are my Son; today I have become your | Father.”

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit,  
as it was in the be | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

## *Refrain*

## **SECOND LESSON** Acts 16:25-34

The world-wide mission and ministry that was given to the Servant of the Lord was carried out by Paul, as he both preached and baptized.

ACTS 16:25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup> Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everybody's chains came loose. <sup>27</sup> The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup> But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!"

<sup>29</sup> The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup> He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

<sup>31</sup> They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved--you and your household." <sup>32</sup> Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. <sup>33</sup> At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his family were baptized. <sup>34</sup> The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God--he and his whole family.

## **VERSE OF THE DAY**

Alleluia. You are my son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased. Alleluia.  
(Mark 1:11b)

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*After the announcement of the Gospel the congregation responds:*



## GOSPEL Mark 1:4-11

At the baptism of Jesus, we see John's ministry come to an end and the ministry of the Christ – the Anointed One – truly begin.

MARK 1:4 And so John came, baptizing in the desert region and preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup> The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. <sup>6</sup> John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup> And this was his message: "After me will come one more powerful than I, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. <sup>8</sup> I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

<sup>9</sup> At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup> As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup> And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:*



Jesus came from  
Nazareth of Galilee  
and was baptized by  
John in the Jordan.

Mark 1:9, NRSV



## **REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM**

**M** Holy Baptism is the means of grace by which our Father in heaven connects us with Christ in his life, death, and resurrection. The apostle Paul says: “Don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin—because anyone who has died has been freed from sin. Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.”

In Holy Baptism, God takes away our sins and gives new life in Christ our Lord. We solemnly renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways; we confess the gift of faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

## **RENUNCIATION AND CONFESSION OF FAITH**

**M** I ask you: Do you reject the devil along with all his lies and empty promises?

**C** **Yes, and I ask God to help me.**

**M** Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

**C** **Yes, I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**M** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son?

**C** **Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**M** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**C** **Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**M** Do you intend to continue in this faith, to be diligent in the use of Word and sacrament and in faith and action remain true to God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—as long as you live?

**C** **Yes, and I ask God to help me.**

**M** Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with his grace to life everlasting.

**C** **Amen.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

89 – To Jordan’s River Came Our Lord



1 To Jor - dan's riv - er came our Lord, The  
 2 The Sav - ior came to be bap - tized— The  
 3 As Je - sus in the Jor - dan stood And  
 4 Then from God's throne with thun - d'rous sound Came  
 5 The Fa - ther's word, the Spir - it's flight A -



Christ, whom heav'n - ly hosts a - dored, The  
 Son of God in flesh dis - guised— To  
 John bap - tized the Lamb of God, The  
 God's own voice with words pro - found: "This  
 noint - ed Christ in glo - rious sight As



God from God, the Light from Light, The  
 stand be - neath the Fa - ther's will And  
 Ho - ly Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove, De -  
 is my Son," was his de - cree, "The  
 God's own choice, from A - dam's fall To



Lord of glo - ry, pow'r, and might.  
 all his prom - is - es ful - fill.  
 scend - ed on him from a - bove.  
 one I love, who pleas - es me."  
 save the world and free us all.

6 Now rise, faint hearts: be resolute!  
 This man in Christ, our substitute!  
 He was baptized in Jordan's stream,  
 Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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 Tune: WINCHESTER NEW (LM) *Musicalisch Hand-Buch der Geistlichen Melodien*, Hamburg, 1690, alt.

## SERMON

Mark 1:4-11

### “Jesus IS the One!”

1. that’s John’s clear ministry
2. that’s God’s unmistakable message

## PRAISE AND PRAYER

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

### FRIENDSHIP REGISTER and GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

### MUSICAL OFFERTORY

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the baptized, that united with Christ in His death we may daily die to sin and rise with Him, set free from the dominion of sin and death, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the nations of the world still in darkness, that the Spirit would bring them life and light through the preaching of the Gospel and call them to the waters of the new creation, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who serve in the Office of the Ministry, that all their preaching and teaching may faithfully point to the Mightier One with zeal, as did John the Baptist, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who make, administer and judge the laws of our land, that they be given wisdom, integrity and honor to serve according to God's good will, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the lonely and homebound; the grieving and dying; and all who are afflicted in body, mind or spirit, [*and especially for \_\_\_\_\_,*] that Christ would be their companion in solitude, their comfort in sorrow, their health in sickness and their life in death, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the faithful departed who rest now in Christ, let us give God our thanks and praise, and ask Him to grant us our portion with the saints in light on the joyous day of Christ's appearing, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

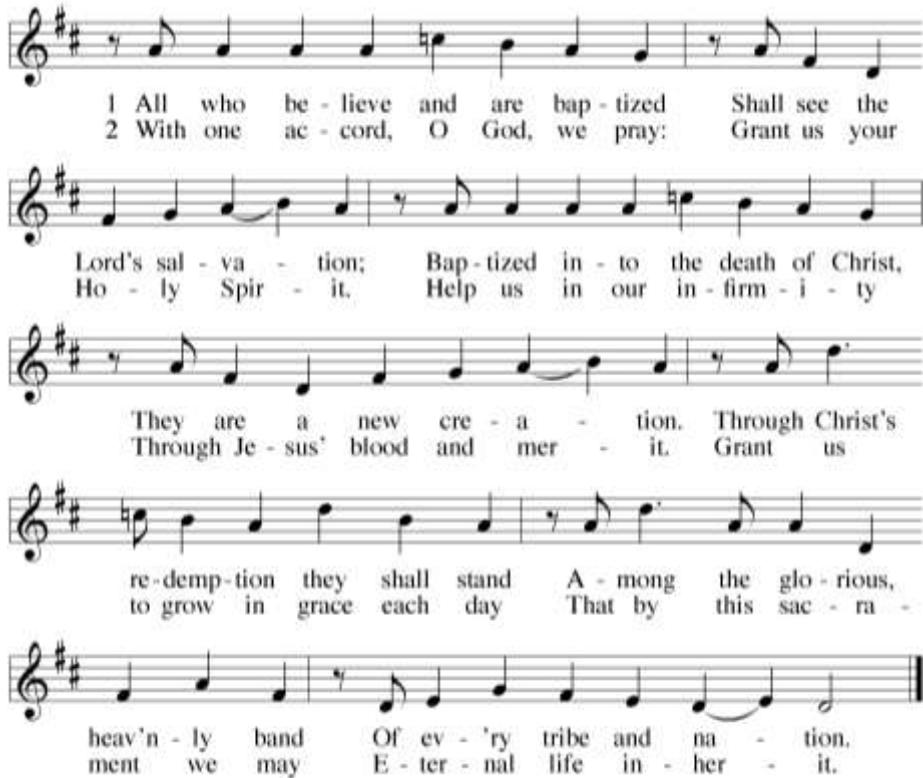
Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## SERMON HYMN

299 - All Who Believe and Are Baptized



1 All who be - lieve and are bap - tized Shall see the  
2 With one ac - cord, O God, we pray: Grant us your  
Lord's sal - va - tion; Bap - tized in - to the death of Christ,  
Ho - ly Spir - it, Help us in our in - firm - i - ty  
They are a new cre - a - tion. Through Christ's  
Through Je - sus' blood and mer - it. Grant us  
re - demp - tion they shall stand A - mong the glo - rious,  
to grow in grace each day That by this sac - ra -  
heav'n - ly band Of ev - 'ry tribe and na - tion,  
ment we may E - ter - nal life in - her - it.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. George A. T. Rygh, 1860–1942, alt.  
Tune: ES IST DAS HEIL (87 87 887) *Etlich Cristlich liden*, Wittenberg, 1524, alt.

## PRAYER AND BLESSING

**M** Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - - men.



**CLOSING HYMN**

577 - Rise, O Light of Gentile Nations



1 Rise, O Light of Gen - tile na - tions, Je - sus, bright and  
2 Know - ing you and your sal - va - tion, Grate - ful love dare  
3 May our zeal to help the hea - then Be in - creased from  
4 Sav - ior, shine in all your glo - ry On the na - tions



Morn - ing Star; Let your Word, the glad - some ti - dings,  
nev - er cease To pro - claim your ten - der mer - cies,  
day to day, As we plead in true com - pas - sion  
near and far; From the high - ways and the by - ways



Ring out loud - ly near and far, Bring - ing  
Gra - cious Lord, your heav'n - ly peace, Let us  
And for their con - ver - sion pray, For the  
Call them forth, O Morn - ing Star. Guide them



free - dom to the cap - tives, Peace and com - fort  
sound the gos - pel ti - dings To the earth's re -  
man - y faith - ful work - ers, For the gos - pel  
whom your grace has cho - sen Out of Sa - tan's



to the slave, That the hea - then, free from  
mot - est bound That the sin - ner has been  
they pro - claim, Let us all be cheer - ful  
dread - ful thrall To the man - sions of your



bond - age, May pro - claim your pow'r to save,  
par - doned And for - give - ness can be found.  
giv - ers To the glo - ry of your name.  
Fa - ther— There is room for sin - ners all.

Text: Herman Fick, 1822–85, abr.; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, St. Louis, 1941, alt.

Tune: O DU LIEBE MEINER LIEBE (87 87 D) *Erbaudlicher Musicalischer Christen-Schatz*, Basel, 1745, alt.