



# The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord

January 13, 2019  
8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

*Welcome to Ascension!*

*For more information about our community, fill out a welcome card, found at either end of the pews, or take one of our welcome packets from a member of the Welcome Team or the table by the Church Office door.*

*Please silence your audible devices.*

*Beginning ten minutes before the service, please help us create a contemplative space by refraining from cell phone use or loud conversation.*

*Within the service, the people read the parts in **bold print**.*

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## The Entrance Rite

(10:00 Service only - the 8:00 service begins with the Opening Acclamation)

### Opening Voluntary (Organ)

"Andante with Variations"

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

### Introit

"I will exult you"

Lloyd Larson (b. 1954)

*The people stand and remain standing through the Collect of the Day.*

### Processional Hymn (10:00 a.m.)

*Sung by all.*

"The sinless one to Jordan came"

1982 Hymnal # 120

*Solemnis haec festivitas*

### Opening Acclamation

*Priest* Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### The Collect for Purity

*Priest and People*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Gloria in excelsis*

*Spoken at 8:00 a.m., Sung at 10:00 a.m.*

Robert Powell

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
 King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**The Collect for the Day**

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

*Priest and People*

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.

*The people sit.*

## The Word of God

### The First Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

*Reader* A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

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.  
When 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.

For 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.

Because 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.

Do not fear, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you;

I 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--

everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made."

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.** 🕊

### Psalm 29 8:00 a.m. service

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,  
**ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.**

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.**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name;  
**worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe  
**and strips the forests bare.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders;  
**the Lord is upon the mighty waters.**

And in the temple of the Lord  
**all are crying, "Glory!"**

The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;  
**the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;  
**the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;  
**the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;**

The Lord shall give strength to his people;  
**the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
**and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

**Psalm 29** 10:00 a.m. service

Michel Guimont (b. 1950)

*Verses chanted by the cantor; refrain sung by the people.*

Refrain



**The Second Reading (10:00 a.m.)**

Acts 8:14-17

*Reader* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.** ☪

*The people stand.*

**Sequence Hymn (10:00 a.m.)**

*Sung by all.*

"Christ, when for us you were baptised"

1982 Hymnal # 121

*Caithness*

**Verses 1-3 before the Gospel, verse 4 following the Gospel.**

**The Gospel**

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John 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. His 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."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and 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."

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

*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

**Sermon**

The Rev. Nan Hildebrand

*The people stand.*

**The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

*Celebrant*        Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?  
*People*            **I do.**

*Celebrant*        Do you believe in God the Father?  
*People*            **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
                          creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant*        Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
*People*            **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*        Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
*People*            **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*        Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the  
prayers?  
*People*            **I will, with God's help.**

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

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

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

*Celebrant*        Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human  
being?

*People*            **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. ***Amen.***

**The Prayers of the People**

Form III

*The Intercessor and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mariann our Bishop, and Javier, Nan and Eugene our clergy;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. You may offer your own prayers, silently or aloud.

*Pause*

We pray for comfort, healing, courage and hope for **Sciou Broderick, Harriette Eleanor Cooper, Fredy Diaz, Peggy Donnellon, The Rev. Jorge Garcia, Tana Hight, Marcia Nobel, Eduardo Rincon, Daniel Pagan, Olive Rivera, Ruthie Swain, Fran Spina, Luis Pedron, Samuel Tellu, Suzanne Winterhalter,** and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, as well as for all those on our extended healing prayer list.

We pray for all those furlough federal employees affected by this partial government shutdown. May God touch the heart of our government leadership.

Today's altar flowers were given by Major Clemens II & Hawa Clemens in memory of Major Clemens I and Hannah Freeman birthdays and in celebration for Major III, Amara, Emir Clemens Birthdays.

We pray for peace in the world and all who are serving our country here and abroad, especially those in harm's way, and their families.

*Celebrant:* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor. *All kneel*

*Celebrant and People*

**Most merciful God,**  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have  
done, and by what we have left undone.  
**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**  
**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**  
**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**  
have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight  
in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

*Celebrant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord and are then seated.*

### **Announcements**

#### **Offertory Sentence**

*Celebrant* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

#### **Offertory Anthem (10:00 a.m.)**

"Come to the Water"

*Sung by the choir*

John Foley, S.J. (b. 1937) arr. by Jack Schrader (b. 1942)

#### **Hymn at the Presentation (10:00 a.m.)**

*Sung by all, standing*

"When Christ's appearing was made known" **1982 Hymnal # 132, verse 5**

*Puer nobis*

All glory, Jesus, be to thee for this thy glad epiphany:  
whom with the Father we adore and Holy Spirit evermore.

## **The Holy Communion**

*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 our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

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:

*Sanctus* (Spoken 8:00 a.m., sung at 10:00 a.m.) 1982 Hymnal S 125 Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*The people kneel or stand.*

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 Blessing**

*Celebrant*

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.**

*The people stand.*

**Recessional Hymn**

*Sung by all. (10:00 a.m.)*

How firm a foundation"

1982 Hymnal # 637

*Lyons*

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

*People*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Closing Voluntary (Organ)**

"Alleluia"

Charles B. Hansen

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## Worship Leaders

	Today	Next Sunday
<b>Readers</b>	8:00 am Leslie Sanya 10:00 am Gary McLaughlin Sue Snay	David Burton John Pruessner Curt Lindsay
<b>Prayers</b>	8:00 am Leslie Sanya 10:00 am Susan McLaughlin	David Burton Kristin Keating
<b>Chalicians</b>	8:00 am Edna Leake Leslie Sanya 10:00 am Major Clemens Esther Tellu	Sharon Hayden Leslie Sanya Jake Yalley-Ogunru Bob Waters
<b>Healing Prayer Ministers</b>	8:00 am Lisa Murdoch 10:00 am Barb Mansfield	Lisa Murdoch Alex Langley
<b>Acolytes</b>	8:00 am Raymond Chin Aidan Douglas 10:00 am Manny Johnson Nuelle Johnson Pete Minderman	Ron Hayden Aidan Douglas Roberta Taylor Aaron Lalmansingh Emmanuel Chukwurah
<b>Welcome Team</b>	8:00 am Frank Sanya Florence Sirleaf 10:00 am Nii Armah Akuete Ruby King Charles Dickson	Frank Sanya Wadai Bright Swithin Kwamena-Poh Algernon Thomas Henry Musikar
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Nancy Carman Liz Lennon Cynthia Perley	Sarah Gallagher Florence Chukwurah
<b>Hospitality Angels</b>	8:00 a.m. Peter Maroulis 10:00 a.m. Betsy Balicao Pamela Novel	Peter Maroulis Dorett Sutherland Michelle Wood Nathalie Scott
<b>Flower Delivery</b>	Alice Padmore Esther Sawyer	Adoma Baffoe Hawa Clemens
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Pamella Irons-Forth	Meredith Horan

## Leadership at Ascension

### *Clergy*

The Rev. Javier García Ocampo, *Priest in Charge*  
The Rev. Nan Hildebrand, *Pastoral Associate*  
The Rev. Eugene Wright, *Deacon*

### *Musicians*

Andrew Kullberg, *Minister of Music*  
Jesse Velazquez, *Spanish Service Musical Director*  
The Ascension Choir  
The Ensemble

### *Wardens*

Betsy Hasegawa, *Senior Warden*  
Zadinga Ogada, *Junior Warden*

### *Vestry*

2019: Rose Buck, Janet King, John Pruessner  
2020: Gordon Donnelly, Meredith Horan, Luis Pedron  
2021: Susan McLaughlin, Berenice Rodriguez, Robert Waters  
Sari Stoddard, *Clerk of the Vestry*  
Avin Lalmansingh, *Treasurer*

### *Ministry Area Leaders*

Megan Didavi, *Christian Formation for Children*  
Angie Hight-Walker, *Christian Formation for Youth*  
Ted Bedell, *Facilities*  
Avin Lalmansingh, *Finance*  
Paul Boynton, *Mission*  
Javier Ocampo/Nan Hildebrand, *Pastoral Care*  
Jean Cohn, *Personnel*  
Curt Lindsay and Gary McLaughlin, *Worship*

### *Delegates to Diocesan Convention*

Mardia Dennis, Gary McLaughlin, Sue Snay  
Alternate: Fredy Diaz

### *Staff*

Lin Keene, *Parish Administrator*



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