



Grace Lutheran & Providence Valley Lutheran Church

Sunday, January 10th, 2021

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Baptism of Our Lord

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Our re-creation in baptism is an image of the Genesis creation, where the Spirit of God moved over the waters. Both Mark's gospel and the story in Acts make clear that it is the Spirit's movement that distinguishes Jesus' baptism from John's. The Spirit has come upon us as upon Jesus and the Ephesians, calling us God's beloved children and setting us on Jesus' mission to re-create the world in the image of God's vision of justice and peace.

Service of the Word

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

C: Amen

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by its authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

HYMN

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Nº 815

**I want to walk as a child of the light I want to follow Jesus
God sent the stars to give light to the world The star of my life is Jesus**

**Refrain: In Him, there is no darkness at all The night and the day are both alike
The Lamb is the light of the city of God Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus**

**I want to see the brightness of God I want to look at Jesus
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path And show me the way to the Father (Refrain)**

**I'm looking for the coming of Christ I want to be with Jesus
When we have run with patience the race We shall know the joy of Jesus (Refrain)**

*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: *Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

The Word

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 1: 1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the 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. ³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

RESPONSE L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

THE SECOND READING

Psalms 29

Ascribe 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!

RESPONSE L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

*THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:1-11

RESPONSE **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. ²As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; ³the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'" ⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And 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. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He 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. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with [g] the Holy Spirit." ⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And 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. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

RESPONSE P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

"When God Speaks"

"... The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty ..." Psalm 29:5

The Apostles' Creed

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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 into hell. 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. 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.

Prayers of Intercession *After each petition, please respond with "Hear our prayer."*

The Offering

*The Offertory Song ***"Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized"*** *Nº 304*

**Christ, when for us you were baptized, God's Spirit on you came,
as peaceful as a dove, and yet as urgent as a flame, as urgent as a flame.**

**God called you, "'My beloved Son''"; you are God's servant true,
sent to proclaim the reign of heaven, God's holy will to do, God's holy will to do.**

**Straightway and steadfast until death you then obeyed the call
to serve with free and willing heart, to give your life for all, to give your life for all.**

**Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord; your cross on us be signed,
that likewise in God's service we may perfect freedom find, may perfect freedom find.**

*The Thanksgiving for the Word

L: Merciful God, **C: everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

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.

The Blessing

P: God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved fill you; and the Holy Spirit the comforter keep you in peace. **Amen.**

**1. I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear
You will hear My voice, I claim you as My choice
Be still, and know I am near**

**2. I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light
Come and rest in Me**

**Refrain: Do not be afraid, I am with you I have called you each by name
Come and follow, Me I will bring you home. I love you and you are mine**

**3. I am strength for all the despairing, Healing for the ones who dwell in shame
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free And all will know My name. (Refrain)**

**4. I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give. I will call you name,
embracing all your pain. Stand up, now walk and live! (Refrain)**

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Worship Participants

Pastor: Kendall L. Stelter

Intern Pastor: Stephanie Gossett

Organist/Pianist: Chris Lehne

Praise Team: Tim Borstad, Hailey Gritmacker, Ryan Stotesbery, Stephanie Gossett, Chris Lehne

Lector: Hunter Martinson

The Online & Radio Broadcasts is sponsored by Steve Painter

The Bulletins are given in honor of Virgil Thompson's birthday today from Bev Skordahl

This Week at Grace & Providence Valley: January 10th-January 17th

Sunday, January 10th

9:00am KLQP 92.1FM Radio & Online Broadcast Worship Service

Wednesday, January 13th

3:30pm Confirmation @ Grace Hall (In person)

6:00pm Stewardship Board Meeting

6:15pm Agapes Practice (Meet in the Sanctuary)

Sunday, January 17th

9:00am In person worship at Grace Lutheran

9:00am Live KLQP 92.1FM Radio & Online Broadcast Worship Service

10:00-10:30am Sunday School will start again in person

(No coffee gathering at this time)

10:45am In person worship at Providence Valley Lutheran

Prayers

We offer our prayers for... **Long term prayer support:** Jim Anderson, Pat Saltness, Olivia Baldwin, Tom Beals, Ken Club, Jack Flayton, Monica Kennedy, Brad Madsen, Lauren Thoen, Bonnie Westfield, Jeff Moe, Julie Miron, Deb Lewis, Butch Anderson, Sarah Anderson, Sharla Kruger, Kenneth Paradis, Sam Maass, Mary Schommer, John Perry Peterson

Providence Church Long term prayer support: Jon Lund, Arlys Buer, Evelyn Lundgren, Madeline & Wilton Gustafson,

Prayers for recovered health: Ken & Carol Erp, Eloise Ronning, Joey Anderson-Urness, Marlys Heath, Gwen Lewis, Tammy Wager, Cheryl Skindeliem, Clarice Olson, Scarlett Ludvigson,

Sympathy to the family of: Winnie Giese

Announcements

2020 Board Reports

Board & Committee reports for the Annual Report are due Monday, January 11th for Grace Lutheran. Please turn them in as soon as possible. If you are able, please email them to gracelut@farmerstel.net. Thank you.

Updated Worship Schedule

We are returning to in person worship at Grace and Providence Valley on Sunday, January 17th at 9:00am at Grace and 10:45am at Providence Valley.

The live Q92.1FM Radio Broadcast will air at 9:00am.

The service will be streamed live online and a video will be posted Sundays after worship.

Sunday School

Sunday School will return to in person classes on Sunday, January 17th from 10-10:30am.

Coffee

We will not be gathering for coffee and fellowship before or after worship at this time. We will review this in the coming weeks.

Worship Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers of all ages to read, greet, usher in the coming weeks during our in-person worship at Grace. If you are already on the list we would still appreciate you letting us know as not everyone is comfortable with gathering in person at this time. Please contact the office if you are able to help with this ministry.

Tithes & Offerings

Grace and Providence Valley Lutheran Churches have options to give online! On our websites, gracedawson.org or pvlchruch.org, simply click on the "Give Online" tab at the top of the homepage. Or even easier, download our offering app on your phone! Simply search for "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" in your App Store and set up your account! And Grace Lutheran now has TEXT OFFERING! Simply text your offering amount to 800-675-7430! Offerings can also be mailed to:

Grace Lutheran Church – PO Box 549 - Dawson, MN 56232 or

Providence Valley Lutheran Church - C/O 2722 100th Street - Dawson, MN 56232

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Effortless Giving!

There are also options for you to give without having to open your pocketbook! When shopping online at Amazon, simply go to "Amazon Smiles" and add Grace Lutheran Church-Dawson MN as your charity. Thrivent Financial members, direct your Choice Dollars to Grace by March 31, 2021. Thrivent Choice Dollars are your share of Thrivent's charitable funding. A portion of all your premiums and contract values grow your amount of Choice Dollars, and you can direct them to Grace Lutheran Church of Dawson, MN or Providence Valley Lutheran Church by logging on to your online account and choosing the "Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars" link under the "My Thrivent" tab. Also under this tab you will find the link for "Thrivent Action Teams" where you can apply for up to two (2) free \$250 grants from Thrivent per calendar year for your favorite charity events. Contact the office for projects needing grants or for help with any of these options.