Communion Practice: We believe that Christ is truly present in Holy Communion and, as we try to be faithful to Christ in the serving of this Sacrament, we ask that everyone be examined and instructed by the Pastor before receiving Holy Communion. All confirmed members of this parish, who have been regularly examined by the Pastor, are welcome to partake of the Holy Eucharist today. We also welcome the members who are in good standing of any of the parishes served by the Bishop, Pastors, and Deacons of The Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA), and who have spoken to the Pastor prior to the service. Members of other Lutheran parishes or other denominations are kindly asked to refrain from communing today. The Pastor would be glad to make an appointment with anyone to discuss our teachings and/or our parish.

A Prayer upon Entering Church

Almighty, Ever-Living God, grant that I may gladly hear Thy Word and that all my worship may be acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

A Prayer before Communion

Dear Savior, upon Thy gracious invitation I come to Thine Altar. Let me find favor in Thine eyes that I may approach Thy Table in true faith and receive the Sacrament to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

A Prayer after Communion

O Thou blessed Savior Jesus Christ, Who hast given Thyself to me in this holy Sacrament, keep me in Thy faith and favor; as Thou livest in me, let me also live in Thee. May Thy holy Body and Blood preserve me in the true faith unto everlasting life. Amen.

A Prayer at the Close of the Service

Grant, I beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the Word which I have heard this day may through Thy grace be so engrafted in my heart that I may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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"When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him." St. Matthew 3:16

The Order of Divine Service

The Ringing of the Bell Silent Prayer	Hans Arnold Metzger	
Stand The Processional Hymn "Baptized into Thy Name M The Confiteor	Tost Holy" TLH 298	
The Invocation and Address	TLH p. 15	
Versicles	TLH p. 15	
Confession and Absolution	TLH p. 16	
The Introit (Tone 2)	INSERT	
The Kyrie	TLH p. 17	
The Gloria in Excelsis	TLH p. 17-19	
The Salutation	TLH p. 19	
The Collect for the Day	INSERT	
The Collect for the Festival of the Epiphany of our Lord		
The Collect for the First Sunday after Epiphany		
Sit		
The Lesson Jo	shua 3:1-3, 7-8, 13-17	
After each Lesson: V: This is the Word of the Lord. R: Thanks be to God.		
	1 Corinthians 1:26-31	
The Gradual	INSERT	
The Verse	INSERT	
Stand	INSERT	
The Sequence Hymn "The Alleluiatic Sequence	" INSERT	
The Holy Gospel	St. Matthew 3:13-17	
The Nicene Creed	INSERT	
Sit	INSEKI	
The Hymn "He that Believes and is Baptized	d" TLH 301	
The Sermon To Fulfill All Righteousness	a 1L11 501	
Stand		
The Offertory "Create in Me A Clean Heart, O Go	od" TLH p. 22-23	
Sit	<i>n</i> 1L11 p. 22-23	
The Recitation of the Catechism	The Table of Duties	
Stand	The Table of Duties	
The General Prayer	TLH p. 23	
Sit	11.11 p. 23	
The Hymn "Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savid	or" TLH 311	
Stand	,, 11111111	
The Preface	TLH p. 24	
The Proper Preface	TLH p. 25	
The Sanctus and Benedictus	TLH p. 26	
The panetus and Denedictus	11.11 p. 20	

The Lord's Prayer		TLH p. 27	
The Verba Domini		TLH p. 27	
The Pax Domini		TLH p. 27	
The Agnus Dei		TLH p. 28	
Sit			
The Distribution			
The Hymn "We All Bela	ieve in One True God"	TLH 251 (2 nd Tune)	
Stand			
The Post Communion Cantic	le "The Nunc Dimit	tis TLH p. 29-30	
The Thanksgiving ("And	d His mercy endureth fo	rever") TLH p. 30	
The Post-Communion Collect			
Sit			
The Hymn "An Av	we-full Mystery Is Here'	TLH 304	
Stand			
The Salutation		TLH p. 31	
The Benedicamus		TLH p. 31	
The Benediction		TLH p. 31	
Silent Prayer		•	
Sit			
The Postlude	"Es ist das Heil"	Jacobus Kloppers	
Announcements		• •	

^{*—}An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings.

THE FESTIVAL OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 13th, 2021



Introit

P: BE- HOLD || the Lord, the Ruler, has | come, | - *

C: And the kingdom and the power and the glory are | in | His | hand.

P: || I have found My servant | Dav- | id; *

C: With My holy oil I have a- | noint- | ed | him. (Liturgical text, Psalm 89:20)

P: || I will sing of the mercies of the Lord for- | ev- | er; *

C: With my mouth will I make known Your faithfulness to all gen-|er-|a-|tions.

P: || He shall cry to | Me, | - *

C: "You are My Father, my God, and the rock of my | sal- | va- | tion."

P: || Also I will make Him My first- | born, | - *

C: The highest of the kings | of | the | earth.

P: || My mercy I will keep for Him for- | ev- | er, *

C: And My covenant shall stand | firm | with | Him. (Psalm 89:1, 26-28)

GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

P: || Behold the Lord, the Ruler, has | come, | - *

C: And the kingdom and the power and the glory are | in | His | hand.

P: || I have found My servant | Dav- | id; *

C: With My holy oil I have a- | noint- | ed | him. (Liturgical text, Psalm 89:20)

Collect

O God, our Heavenly Father, Whose voice was heard at the Holy Baptism of Thine Only-Begotten Son, declaring Him to be the One with Whom Thou art well-pleased, pour down Thy Holy Spirit upon Thy faithful people that we may rejoice in this same sonship that we have received from Thee through our Holy Baptism into Christ; Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



Gradual

P: || Blessèd be the Lord God, the God of | *Is-ra-*·| el, *

C: Who only does | won- | drous | things!

P: || And blessèd be His glorious name for- | ev- | er! *

C: And let the whole earth be filled with | His | glo-| ry. (*Psalm 72:18-19a*)

Verse

P: || Alle- | lu- | ia! *

C: Al- | le- | lu- | ia!

P: || Teach me to do Your | will, | - *

C: For You | are | my | God;

P: || Your Spirit is | good. | - *

C: Lead me in the land of uprightness. Al- | le- | lu- | ia! (Psalm 143:10)

Joshua 3:1-3, 7-8, 13-17

¹ Then Joshua rose early in the morning; and they set out from Acacia Grove and came to the Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and lodged there before they crossed over. ² So it was, after three days, that the officers went through the camp; ³ and they commanded the people, saying, "When you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the priests, the Levites, bearing it, then you shall set out from your place and go after it." ...

⁷ And the LORD said to Joshua, "This day I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. 8 You shall command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, saying, 'When you have come to the edge of the water of the Jordan, you shall stand in the Jordan.' ... ¹³ And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests who bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, that the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off, the waters that come down from upstream, and they shall stand as a heap." ¹⁴ So it was, when the people set out from their camp to cross over the Jordan, with the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people, ¹⁵ and as those who bore the ark came to the Jordan, and the feet of the priests who bore the ark dipped in the edge of the water (for the Jordan overflows all its banks during the whole time of harvest), ¹⁶ that the waters which came down from upstream stood still, and rose in a heap very far away at Adam, the city that is beside Zaretan. So the waters that went down into the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, failed, and were cut off; and the people crossed over opposite Jericho. ¹⁷ Then the priests who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan; and all Israel crossed over on dry ground, until all the people had crossed completely over the Jordan.

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

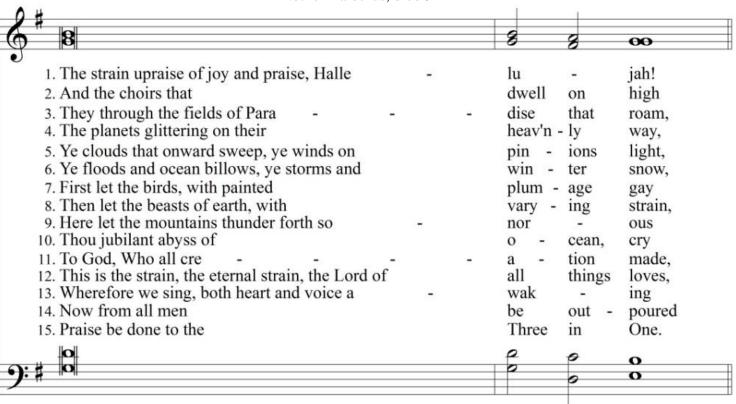
²⁶ For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called. ²⁷ But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; ²⁸ and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, ²⁹ that no flesh should glory in His presence. 30 But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God-and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—31 that, as it is written, "He who glories, let him glory in the LORD."

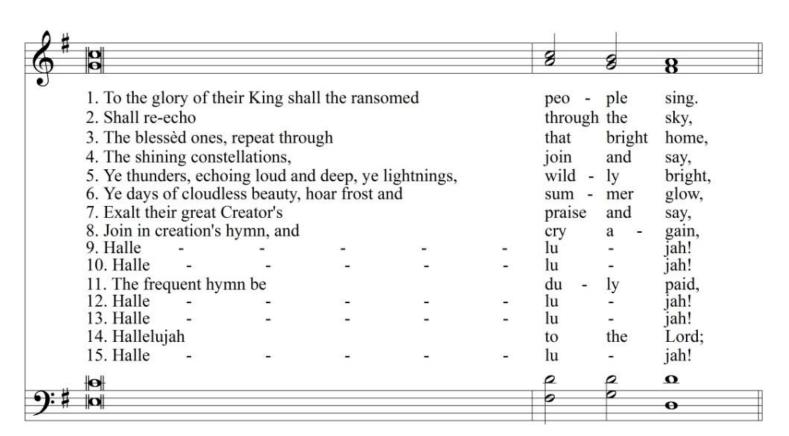
St. Matthew 3:13-17

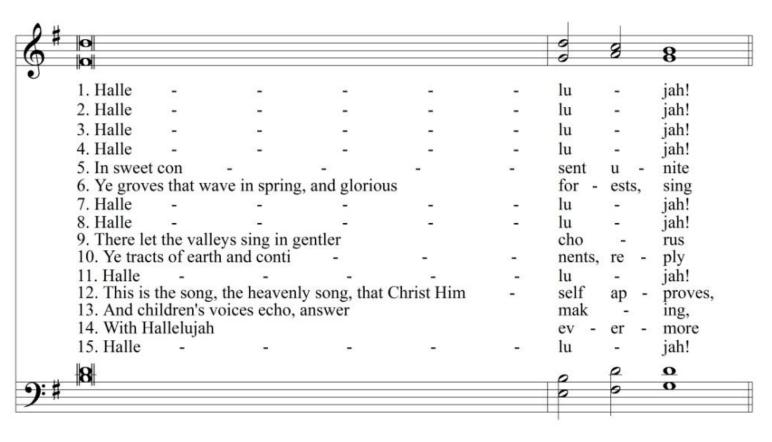
¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. 14 And John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?" 15 But Jesus answered and said to him, "Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him. 16 When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. 17 And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

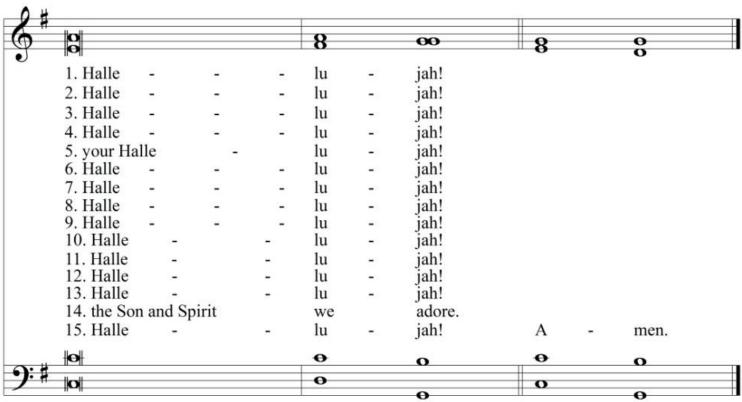
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The Nicene Creed





+ —indicates that the worshippers may make a sign of reverance (bow the head, genuflect, or make the sign of the holy cross) as is appropriate.

TLH 298 "Baptized into Thy Name Most Holy" Johann J. Rambach, 1784, abridged

- 1. Baptized into Thy Name most holy, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and lowly, Among Thy seed, Thy chosen host. Buried with Christ and dead to sin, Thy Spirit now shall live within.
- 2. My loving Father, Thou dost take me To be henceforth Thy child and heir; My faithful Savior, Thou dost make me The fruit of all Thy sorrows share; Thou, Holy Ghost, wilt comfort me When darkest clouds around I see.
- 3. And I have vowed to fear and love Thee And to obey Thee, Lord, alone; Because the Holy Ghost did move me, I dared to pledge myself Thine own, Renouncing sin to keep the faith And war with evil unto death.
- 4. My faithful God, Thou failest never, Thy cov'nant surely will abide; Oh, cast me not away forever Should I transgress it on my side! Tho' I have oft my soul defiled, Do Thou forgive, restore, Thy child.
- 5. Yea, all I am and love most dearly I offer now, O Lord, to Thee. Oh, let me make my vows sincerely And help me Thine own child to be! Let naught within me, naught I own, Serve any will but Thine alone.
- 6. And never let my purpose falter,
 O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 But keep me faithful to Thine altar
 Till Thou shalt call me from my post.
 So unto Thee I live and die
 And praise Thee evermore on high. Amen.

TLH 301 "He that Believes and is Baptized" Thomas Kingo, 1689

1. He that believes and is baptized Shall see the Lord's salvation; Baptized into the death of Christ, He is a new creation. Thro' Christ's redemption he shall stand Among the glorious heav'nly band Of ev'ry tribe and nation.

2. With one accord, O God, we pray: Grant us Thy Holy Spirit; Look Thou on our infirmity Thro' Jesus' blood and merit. Grant us to grow in grace each day That by this Sacrament we may Eternal life inherit. Amen.

TLH 311 "Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior" ascribed to John Hus, died 1415

- 1. Jesus Christ, our blessed Savior, Turned away God's wrath forever; By His bitter grief and woe He saved us from the evil Foe.
- 2. As His pledge of love undying He, this precious food supplying, Gives His Body with the bread And with the wine the Blood He shed.
- 3. Whoso to this Board repaireth May take heed how he prepareth; For if he does not believe, Then death for life he shall receive.
- 4. Praise the Father, Who from Heaven Unto us such food hath given And, to mend what we have done, Gave into death His Only Son.
- 5. Thou shalt hold with faith unshaken That this food is to be taken By the sick who are distrest, By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- 6. Christ says: "Come, all ye that labor, And receive My grace and favor; They who feel no want nor ill Need no physician's help nor skill.
- 7. "Useless were for thee My Passion If thy works thy weal could fashion. This feast is not spread for thee If thine own Savior thou wilt be."
- 8. If thy heart this truth professes
 And thy mouth thy sin confesses,
 His dear guest thou here shalt be,
 And Christ Himself shall banquet thee. Amen.

TLH 251 (Second Tune) "We All Believe in One True God"

Martin Luther, 1525

- 1. We all believe in one true God, Who created Earth and Heaven, The Father, Who to us in love Hath the right of children given. He both soul and body feedeth, All we need He doth provide us; He thro' snares and perils leadeth, Watching that no harm betide us. He careth for us day and night, All things are governed by His might.
- 2. We all believe in Jesus Christ,
 His own Son, our Lord, possessing
 An equal Godhead, throne, and might,
 Source of ev'ry grace and blessing.
 Born of Mary, Virgin Mother,
 By the power of the Spirit,
 Made true man, our elder Brother,
 That the lost might life inherit;
 Was crucified for sinful men
 And raised by God to life again.
- 3. We all confess the Holy Ghost, Who sweet grace and comfort giveth And with the Father and the Son In eternal glory liveth; Who the Church, His own creation, Keeps in unity of spirit. Here forgiveness and salvation Daily come thro' Jesus' merit. All flesh shall rise, and we shall be In bliss with God eternally. Amen.

TLH 304 "An Awe-Full Mystery Is Here" Matthias Loy, 1880

- 1. An awe-full mystery is here To challenge faith and waken fear: The Savior comes as food divine, Concealed in earthly bread and wine.
- 2. This world is loveless,—but above, What wondrous boundlessness of love! The King of Glory stoops to me My spirit's life and strength to be.
- 3. In consecrated wine and bread No eye perceives the myst'ry dread; But Jesus' words are strong and clear: "My Body and My Blood are here."

- 4. How dull are all the pow'rs of sense Employed on proofs of love immense! The richest food remains unseen, And highest gifts appear—how mean!
- 5. But here we have no boon of Earth, And faith alone discerns its worth. The Word, not sense, must be our guide, And faith assure since sight's denied.
- 6. Lord, show us still that Thou art good And grant us evermore this food. Give faith to every wavering soul And make each wounded spirit whole. Amen.