

TRINITY

The Baptism of our Lord Jesus
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Welcome & Technical Info

The Rev. Peter Swarr

Prelude

Nell Britton

Opening Hymn #141 "Shall We Gather at the River"

Nell Britton

1 Shall we gather at the river,
Where bright angel feet have trod;
With its crystal tide forever
Flowing by the throne of God?

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
The beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river
That flows by the throne of God.

2 On the margin of the river,
Washing up its silver spray,
We will walk and worship ever,
All the happy golden day.

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
The beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river
That flows by the throne of God.

3 Ere we reach the shining river,
Lay we ev'ry burden down;
Grace our spirits will deliver,
And provide a robe and crown.

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
The beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river
That flows by the throne of God.

Opening Acclamation

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

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

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 S278 Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest,
And peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: *The Lord be with you*

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: *Let us pray.*

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 Lessons

A Reading from Genesis 1:1-5

Read by Dibbie Appleton

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

Reader: *Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people*

People: *Thanks be to God*

Psalm 29

Read by Susan Tully-Young

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 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.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Sequence Hymn #616 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" (vs. 1, 3, 4)

Nell Britton

- 1 Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;
to take away transgression, and rule in equity.
- 3 He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth,
and love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth:
before him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go;
and righteousness in fountains from hill to valley flow.
- 4 Kings shall bow before him, and gold and incense bring;
all nations shall adore him, his praise all people sing;
to him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend;
his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.

The Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

Priest: **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark**
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And 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. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He 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. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And 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. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ*

Homily

The Rev. Peter Swarr

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

BCP p. 292-294

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

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

Priest 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.

Priest 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.

Priest 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.

Priest 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.

Priest Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Priest 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.

Priest:

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.

Prayers of the People

Led by Dibble Appleton

The Leader and People pray responsively

Peoples responses in bold

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

For the church throughout the world and its leaders, that guided by the Holy Spirit they proclaim the forgiveness of sins, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For wilderness and water, wind and wild beasts, and all living things on earth, that God's goodness is revealed through creation and faithful stewards care for all God has made, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For the nations of the world and their leaders, for laborers busy both day and night, and for peacemakers amid strife, that God inspire all people to use their strength wisely, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For the sick and those who provide medical care, for the imprisoned and those who show them mercy, for the lonely and those who provide companionship, for all who suffer, especially Bev Richter, Virginia Vaillancourt, Dorothy Lomas, Anne Powell, Carlla Potts, Angelika & Abraham Schechter, that God shower compassion, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For the congregation gathered here, for students returning to school, for those seeking renewal in their daily work, that all the beloved of God experience grace and peace, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

In thanksgiving for the faithful departed who now rest from their labors, that their witness inspire us in our baptismal vocations, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

At this time we pray for those in need.

Leader: please say the names of those who would benefit from our prayers and feel free to type the names of those we should pray for in the comment section of Facebook or YouTube.

[Pause for 10 seconds]

***Names on Prayer List**

Bev Richter, Evelyn Dunn, Amanda Louton, Virginia Vaillancourt, Lois & Gail Butterfield, Jim Rhudy, Tammy-Beth Montgomery, Ellie, Tara and Mike Walters, Donna & Normand Lum, Barbara Robery, Cathy James, Mary Ann Butson, Mike Hendon, Anne Spelman, Annabelle, Paula Berry, Mary McDonnell, Dorothy Lomas, Anne Powell, Kathy Stead, Susan Winslow, Kim Grey, Nancy W. Atkinson, Virginia Reid, Evelyn Thurston, Angelika & Abraham Schechter, Vicky Stevens, Carlla Potts, Roger Morin, Laura Marston, Dick Paulson, Harry Nason, Didi Robinson, and Clive and Pat Whitton.

Draw near to us, O God, and receive our prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

General Confession

BCP p. 360

Priest Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

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.

The Absolution

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

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you**

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn #87 LEVAS “More Love to Thee, O Christ”

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- 1 More love to thee, O Christ, More love to thee!
Hear thou the prayer I make On bended knee;
This is my earnest plea;
More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to thee, More love to thee!
- 2 Once earthly joy I craved, Sought peace and rest;
Now thee alone I seek, Give what is best;
This all my prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to thee, More love to thee!

3 Then shall my every breath Sing out your praise;
This be the only song My heart shall raise;
This still my prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to thee, More love to thee!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

(BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER—367)

The Great Thanksgiving: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

The People remain standing. The Priest faces them and says:

The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Priest: Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Priest proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in 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:

People & Priest say together.

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

The Priest 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 Christ's command, O Father,

All say together:

We remember his death † We proclaim his resurrection
We await his coming in glory;

The Priest 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.

Priest: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Priest breaks the consecrated Bread and says:

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia!

A Period of silence is kept.

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Priest: Let us pray

In union, blessed Jesus, with all your people, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for your never failing love and for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

People Thanks be to God.

The Blessing

The Closing Hymn #339 “Deck Thyself Thy Soul With Gladness”

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- 1 Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,
 leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
 come into the daylight's splendor,
 there with joy thy praises render
 unto him whose grace unbounded
 hath this wondrous banquet founded-
 high o'er all the heavens he reigneth,
 yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.

- 2 Sun, who all my life dost brighten;
 Light, who dost my soul enlighten;
 Joy, the best that any knoweth;
 Fount, whence all my being floweth:
 at thy feet I cry, my Maker,
 let me be a fit partaker
 of this blessèd food from heaven,
 for our good, thy glory, given.

- 3 Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray thee,
 let me gladly here obey thee;
 never to my hurt invited,
 be thy love with love requited;
 from this banquet let me measure,
 Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;
 through the gifts thou here dost give me,
 as thy guest in heaven receive me.

Dismissal Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude

Nell Britton

Announcements

The Rev. Peter Swarr

Please join us for the Zoom Coffee Hour