

# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 10th, 2016 Baptism of the Lord

Order of Morning Worship

11:00 am

## Prelude

## Procession

## Welcome and Prayer of the Day

### Preparation for the Word

#### The Call to Worship (*Litany for the Baptism of the Lord*)

Leader: O Christ, by your epiphany your light shines upon us, giving us the fullness of salvation.  
Help us show your light to all we meet today.

**People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: O Christ of glory, you humbled yourself to be baptized, showing us the way of humility.  
Strengthen us to serve you in humility all the days of our life.

**People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: O Christ, by your baptism you cleansed us from our sin, making us children of your  
Father. Give the grace of being a child of God to all who seek you.

**People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: O Christ, by your baptism you sanctified creation and opened the door of repentance to all  
who are baptized. Make us servants of your gospel in the world.

**People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: O Christ, by your baptism you revealed to us the glorious Trinity when the voice from  
heaven proclaimed, "This is my beloved Son," and the Holy Spirit descended upon you  
like a dove. Renew a heart of worship within all the baptized.

**People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

•Hymn 464 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

*Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from brothers and sisters in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace*

*Moment of Silent Confession*

**Kyrie 572** "Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us"  
*Lord, have mercy upon us.*  
*Christ, have mercy upon us.*  
*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**Assurance of Pardon** (Respond with Alleluia, Amen!)

•Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks #106 (refrain)

*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.*

*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to His Name.*

•The Peace

Leader: . . . The peace of Christ be with you all!

**People:** *And also with you.*

• Gloria Patri

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### Proclamation of the Word

#### Prayer of Illumination

**Scripture** Isaiah 43:1-7 (*page 635*)

Acts 8:14-17 (*page 116*)

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (*page 55*)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord!

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

#### Children's Sermon

**Anthem**

"Just a Closer Walk"

Adult Choir

**Homily**

"Called to Follow Christ"

Rev. J. David Shearer

### Response to the Word

#### Ordination and Installation of Officers

•Apostles' Creed (*Traditional*) *page 14*

•Hymn 525 "Here I Am, Lord"

Daniel L. Schutte

#### Announcements/Joys & Concerns

#### Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

*Amen #583 - Amen. Amen. Amen.*

#### The Offering of Tithes and Gifts

##### Offertory

•Doxology (#592)

•Prayer of Dedication

•Hymn 492

"Baptized in Water"

BUNESSAN

•Charge and Benediction

•Congregational Response

"Go with Us, Lord" #535

"Go with us, Lord, and guide the way  
Through this and every coming day,  
That in Your Spirit strong and true  
Our lives may be our gift to You.

## Postlude