

TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GLENDORA
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
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397 As with Gladness Men of Old

- 1 As with gladness men of old, Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious Lord, may we, Evermore be led by Thee.
- 2 As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to Thy lowly bed,
There to bend the knee before, Thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet, Ever seek Thy mercy seat.
- 3 As they offered gifts most rare, At Thy cradle, rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'nly King.
- 4 Holy Jesus, ev'ry day, Keep us in the narrow way;
And when earthly things are past, Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glory hide.
- 5 In the heav'nly country bright, Need they no created light;
Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down;
There forever may we sing, Alleluias to our King.

Confession and Absolution

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Reading *Isaiah 60:1–6*

- ¹Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
²For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you.
³And nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your rising.
⁴Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather together, they come to you;
**your sons shall come from afar,
and your daughters shall be carried on the hip.**
⁵Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult,
because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
⁶A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.

Reading *Matthew 2:1–12*

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**
¹Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ²saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” ³When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:
⁶“‘And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who will shepherd my people Israel.’”
⁷Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.” ⁹After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹²And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Children's Message

394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise *sts. 1–2, 5*

- 1 Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
 Manifested by the star, To the sages from afar,
 Branch of royal David’s stem, In Thy birth at Bethlehem:
 Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.
- 2 Manifest at Jordan’s stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
 And at Cana wedding guest, In Thy Godhead manifest;
 Manifest in pow’r divine, Changing water into wine;
 Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.
- 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Present in Thy holy Word—
 Grace to imitate Thee now, And be pure, as pure art Thou;
 That we might become like Thee, At Thy great epiphany
 And may praise Thee, ever blest, God in man made manifest.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C **And also with you.**
- P Let us pray.
 Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your
 beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name
 faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through
 the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,
 now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading *Genesis 1:1–5*

- ¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and
void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the
face of the waters.
- ³And 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.
- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle *Romans 6:1–11*

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means!
How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been
baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by

baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the
Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him
in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body
of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who
has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also
live with him. ⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no
longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he
lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in
Christ Jesus.


A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel *Mark 1:4–11*

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.
- C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the
forgiveness of sins. ⁵And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and
were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with
camel’s hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷And he
preached, saying, “After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not

worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.

¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

405 To Jordan’s River Came Our Lord

- 1 To Jordan’s river came our Lord, The Christ, whom heav’nly hosts adored,
The God from God, the Light from Light, The Lord of glory, pow’r, and might.
- 2 The Savior came to be baptized—The Son of God in flesh disguised—
To stand beneath the Father’s will, And all His righteousness fulfill.
- 3 As Jesus in the Jordan stood, And John baptized the Lamb of God,
The Holy Spirit, heav’nly dove, Descended on Him from above.
- 4 Then from God’s throne with thund’rous sound, Came God’s own voice with words
profound: “This is My Son,” was His decree, “The one I love, who pleases Me.”
- 5 The Father’s word, the Spirit’s flight, Anointed Christ in glorious sight
As God’s own choice, from Adam’s fall, To save the world and free us all.
- 6 Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute; This man is Christ, our substitute!
He was baptized in Jordan’s stream, Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

Sermon

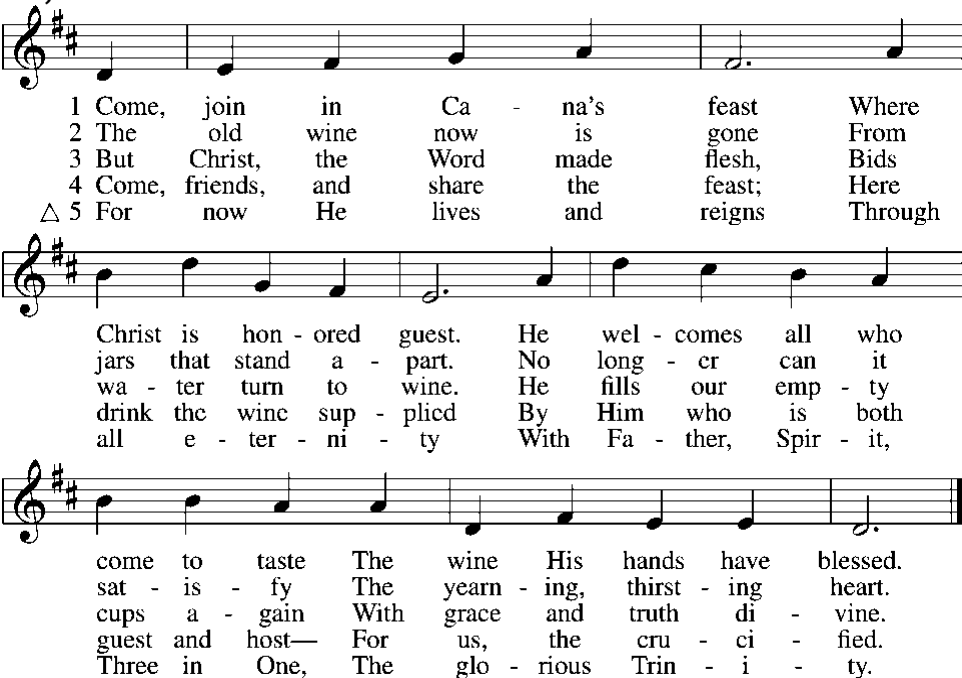
Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Offering

408 Come, Join in Cana’s Feast



Service of the Sacrament

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.
As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.
We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.
Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord’s Prayer

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 Words of Our Lord

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”
- In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei *LSB 210*

- C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
- 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

404 Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered

- 1 Jesus, once with sinners numbered, Had no blemish of His own;
In the waters of the Jordan, His true worth and work were shown:
Heaven opened and the Spirit, There descended like a dove,
As the Father’s voice resounded, “Hear My Son, the One I love.”
- 2 John confessed Him as the Savior—“Look, the sinless Lamb of God!”
Yet he dared not loose the sandals, Of the One God’s love had shod.
Oh, how fair the feet of Jesus, Bringing news of peace to us,
Christ, the herald of salvation, Preaching mercy from the cross:
- 3 This the baptism that our Savior, Greatly longed to undergo;
This the crimson cleansing needed, So the world God’s love might know;
This the mission of Messiah, As He stepped from Jordan’s stream,
He, the chosen and anointed, Son of God, sent to redeem.
- 4 Jesus, once with sinners numbered, Full obedience was Your path;
You, by death, have consecrated, Water in this saving bath:
Dying to the sin of Adam, Rising to a life of grace;
We are counted with the righteous, Over us the cross You trace.

Song (Screen): My Lighthouse

411 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

- 1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus. *Refrain*
- ref* 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.
- 2 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*
- 3 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

Nunc Dimittis

- C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant, Depart in heav’nly peace, For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.
- 2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,
God’s triune name resounding, Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect

- A Let us pray.
O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Benedicamus

- A Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.
- C Amen.

578 Thy Strong Word

- 1

Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; At Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee, While Thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 2

Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of Thy salvation, Breathed Thine own life-breathing breath.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 3

Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; Bright with Thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory, And our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 4

From the cross Thy wisdom shining, Breaketh forth in conqu’ring might;
From the cross forever beameth, All Thy bright redeeming light.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 5

Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
Alleluia, alleluia! May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!
- D 6

God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever, Praise the holy Trinity!