

St. Luke Lutheran Church Pastor Eric Hanson 8:30AM • January 10, 2021 • Baptism of Our Lord

Prelude: "The First Noel"

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel. Born is the King of Israel.

Greeting: L: 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.

Thanksgiving for Baptism (please stand as you are able)

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the leader begins.)

L: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn: (you may be seated) "We Three Kings" vs. 1-3 WOV #646

Verse 1: We three kings of Orient are; Bearing gifts we traverse afar, Field and fountain, moor and mountain, Following yonder star.

Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night! Star with royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light!

Verse 2: Born a King on Bethlehem's plain. Gold I bring to crown Him again, King forever, ceasing never, Over us all to reign. (Refrain)

Verse 3: Frankincense to offer have I; Incense owns a Deity nigh;
Prayer and praising, gladly raising, Worshiping God Most High. (Refrain)

Prayer of the Day: 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. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 1:1-5

¹In 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.

Gospel Acclamation: (Stand as you are able) 2X written by Debbi St. John

Alleluia, the angels sing, it is the birth of our new king. The heavens echo loud with joy, God's gift to us, this baby boy.

L: The holy gospel according to.... C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:16-4:11 (Please stand as you are able)

to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." ¹ Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³ The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." ⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." ⁷ Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test." ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹ and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰ Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" ¹¹ Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Children's Message: (you may be seated)

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: "Shine Jesus Shine" #671

Refrain: Shine, Jesus, shine. Fill this land with the Father's glory. Blaze, Spirit, blaze. Set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow. Flood the nations with grace and mercy. Send forth your word. Lord, and let there be light

Verse 1: Lord, the light of your love is shining. In the midst of the darkness, shining.

Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us. Set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me.

Verse 2: As we gaze on your kingly brightness. So our faces display your likeness. Ever changing from glory to glory. Mirrored here may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me.

Apostles' Creed: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified died, & was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, & he will come to judge the living & 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers: (call and response)

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, Ruth Holm, Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, David Roschen, Jim Howard, Kelly Rehder, Naomi Berland, Nathlye Benrud, Nancy & Donald Nord, Dean Kirkland, Marlene & Lloyd Roschen, Finley Budensiek, Hunter Burow, Brent Hokanson, Barb Maher & Karl Thomforde. May God shower compassion on them, 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.**

Sharing the Peace: L: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

Offering & Doxology: "What Child Is This"

This, this is Christ, the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing: Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mary!

Raise, raise a song on high The virgin sings her lullaby Joy, joy for Christ is born The Babe, the son of Mary

Offertory Prayer:

P: O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. C: **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

L: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

Salutation

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

Oh, come, let us adore Him, oh, come let us adore Him. Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Words of Institution

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; & forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; & lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, & the power, and the glory, forever & ever. Amen.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. 2X Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Communion Prayer: Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior & Lord. C: Amen.

Blessing (please stand as you are able)

L: May the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor + and give you peace. **C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn: "Beautiful Savior" #838

- Verse 1: Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!

 Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve thee, Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.
- Verse 2: Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands, Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer; He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.
- Verse 3: Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight, Bright the sparkling stars on high; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels in the sky.
- Verse 4: Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine!

Dismissal L: Go in peace to love the Lord and serve your neighbor. C: Thanks be to God.

Sending: "Go Tell It On The Mountain" 2X

Go tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and ev'rywhere; Go tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born.

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Announcements

<u>Sunday Worship Details:</u> Every Sunday worship at St. Luke's is at 8:30AM and in the Lion's parking lot drive-in worship service at 9:45AM on 87.9FM.

<u>Sunday School Update:</u> During both of our worship services, 8:30AM and 9:45AM there will be a Sunday School activity, which will take place of our normal Sunday school class time. Activity tubs/bags are available at each service. An online prerecorded family style Sunday school will be shared by 8:30AM on Facebook and on You-Tube each Sunday morning. We also now have a Google Classroom for Sunday school families. Michelle will add fun and simple ideas each week that go with the theme for each Sunday. Contact the office if you didn't receive the Google Classroom link via email.

<u>Envelopes:</u> 2021 Offering Envelopes are in your church mailboxes. Please take a moment to grab yours. If you do not have a mailbox let the office know. If you did not receive envelopes and would like some let the office know.

<u>Christian Care Team Info</u>: A care team member will be present after worship services to lift you up in prayer if you would like. Our team: Susie Matthees, Christie Hanson, Harriet Warren, Vickie Mollenhauer, Kate Ludwig, Maggie Voth, Nicole Hinsch, Sharon Buck and Sheila Pasch. Email: careteam@stlukegoodhue.org Ph: 651-923-4695 Prayer request forms are available in the narthex. These can be put in the offering plate.

Parsonage: St. Luke's parsonage is for sale. Please help spread the word!

Annual Reports: Committee chair persons or treasurers of the various committees please have your annual report into the office ASAP so it can be included in the Annual Report.

<u>Annual Meeting:</u> <u>Sunday, January 24, 2021 at 11:00AM</u> after the drive-in worship service is the Congregational Annual Meeting. A Zoom link to the meeting will be emailed to the congregation for anybody who wishes to participate online. Zoom attendees may vote by emailing their vote to office@stlukegoodhue.org

<u>Pen Pals:</u> The Goodhue school NHS members would like to connect with locals who might enjoy hearing from our youth. If you would be interested in having a pen pal please let Tara in the office know and she can get your names and address to the NHS.

<u>Thrivent Financial Members</u>: If you are a Thrivent Financial member and would be willing to use one or more of your Action Team Grants towards an event for St. Luke Church please contact the office or Susie Matthees. The Christian Care Team has been able to fund several events through these grants and we would greatly appreciate your help too!

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