

The Church of the Holy Trinity

Rittenhouse Square

The 1st Sunday after The Epiphany The Baptism of our Lord

11:00 AM

The Service of Morning Prayer



WIDE OPEN DOORS
WIDE OPEN HEARTS

January 9, 2022

Gentle Reminders for our Guests today:

As a community in Christ, we are called to work together to create an inclusive worship experience that is **safe for everyone** – ourselves, our neighbors, and our loved ones.



As a gentle reminder, **please wear your masks at all times over your mouth and nose** when inside of the Church and its adjoining property. We ask that you gently remind your neighbors to do the same when necessary.

During **the Peace**, we invite you to connect with your neighbors by waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist or elbow bumps. Please be sure that your neighbor is comfortable with physical connections before offering that kind of peace.



Children are welcome to join us for worship services today! We do not mind little voices and noises that children naturally make, so don't worry if they are not sitting perfectly still and silent! That's not normal! We do ask that all family members sit together throughout the service.

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Thank you for joining us today and helping us with your cooperation. Together — we'll get through this.

Morning Prayer

The First Sunday after The Epiphany: The Baptism of our Lord

Prelude:

Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern

Ernst Pepping

Opening Hymn: 496 How bright appears the Morning Star

Wie schön leuchtet



1 How bright ap - pears the Morn - ing Star, with mer - cy beam -
2 Though cir - cled by the hosts on high, he deigned to cast
3 Re - joice, ye heavens; thou earth, re - ply; with praise, ye sin -



ing from a - far; the host of heaven re - joic - es;
a pit - ying eye up - on his help - less crea - ture;
ners, fill the sky, for this his In - car - na - tion.



O right - eous Branch, O Jes - se's Rod! Thou Son of Man
the whole cre - a - tion's Head and Lord, by high - est ser -
In - car - nate God, put forth thy power, ride on, ride on,



and Son of God! We, too, will lift our voic - es:
a - phim a - dored, as - sumed our ve - ry na - ture;
great Con - quer - or, till all know thy sal - va - tion.



Je - sus, Je - sus! Ho - ly, ho - ly, yet most low - ly,
Je - sus, grant us, through thy mer - it, to in - her - it
A - men, a - men! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



draw thou near us; great Em - man - uel, come and hear us.
thy sal - va - tion; hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion.
Praise be giv - en ev - er - more, by earth and hea - ven.

The Opening Sentence

Leader I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. *Isaiah 49:6b*

Confession of Sin

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

Silence may be kept.

All **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.**

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

The Invitatory and Psalter

Leader Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

The Invitatory *Venite*

Jack Noble White

1. Come, let us sing to the
Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal -

va - tion. — 2. Let us come be - fore his pres - ence with thanks - giv - ing —
 — and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. — 3. For the
 Lord is a great God, — and a great King a - bove all
 gods. — 4. In his hand are the cav - erns of the earth, —
 — and the heights of the hills are his al - so. — 5. The
 sea is his, for he made it, — and his hands have
 mold - ed the dry land. — 6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the
 knee, — and kneel be - fore the Lord our Ma - ker. — 7. For
 he is our God, — and we are the peo - ple of his
 pas - ture — and the sheep of his hand. —
 — Oh, that to - day you would heark - en to his voice! —



- 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 up- | on the | mighty | waters.
- ⁴ The voice of the Lord is a | power- • ful | 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.

Repeat last half of tone:

- ⁹ And in the | temple • of the | Lord *
-- | all are | crying, | "Glory!"
- ¹⁰ The Lord sits enthroned a- | bove the | flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as | King for | ever- | more.
- ¹¹ The Lord shall give | strength to • his | people; *
the Lord shall give his | people • the | blessing • of | peace.

Glory to the Father, and | to the | Son, *
and | to the | Holy | Spirit:
As it was in the be- | ginning, • is | now, *
and will be for- | ever. | *A-* | men.

The Readings

The First Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

Reader: A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth-- everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Reader The Word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 11: The Third Song of Isaiah

Puer nobis

1. A - rise, now, shine, your light has come, God's
2. The Lord will rise a - bove his own, His
3. Your gates will be un - barred al - way, Your
4. Here vi - o - lence will be no more, With -
5. You will not need the sun by day, Nor
6. To God the Fa - ther, heaven - ly Light, to
glo - ry ri - ses like the sun; Though
glo - ry rest on you a - lone; The
por - tals o - pen night and day; Your
in your bor - ders peace is sure; Your
yet by night the moon's bright ray; The
Christ, re - vealed in earth - ly night, to
dark - ness still en - shrouds the land, Deep
na - tions stream to your light, And
name, the Ci - ty of the Lord, Zi -
walls will bear Sal - va - tion's name, Your
Lord will be your shi - ning light, And
God the Ho - ly Ghost we raise our
gloom re - mains on ev - ery hand.
kings come to your dawn - ing bright.
on, on whom his love is poured.
gates the name of Praise shall claim.
God your glo - ry day and night.
e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

The Second Reading: Acts 8:14-17

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God.

Canticle 20: Glory to God

Allein Gott in der Höh



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -



hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who



to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,



your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

The Gospel Reading: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Reader: A Reading from the Gospel of Luke.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

The Rev. John Gardner

The Anthem

The Waters of Life

James Biery

The Father's voice calls us above the waters.
The glory of the Son shines on us.
The love of the Spirit fills us with life.

The Apostles' Creed

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
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.
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. Amen.**

The Prayers

Leader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Leader Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

All **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.**

Suffrages A

Leader Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People **And grant us your salvation.**

Leader Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People **Let your people sing with joy.**

Leader Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People **For only in you can we live in safety.**

Leader Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Leader Let your way be known upon earth;

People **Your saving health among all nations.**

Leader Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Leader Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

The Collect of the Day

Leader O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Sundays

Leader O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission

Leader O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

All **My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

Parish Notices

Offertory Sentence: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

1 Christ, when for us you were bap-tized, God's Spi-rit on you came,
 2 God called you his be-lov-ed Son, called you his ser-vant true,
 3 Straight-way and stead-fast un-til death you then o-beyed his call
 4 Bap-tize us with your Spi-rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace-ful as a dove and yet as ur-gent as a flame.
 sent you his king-dom to pro-claim, his ho-ly will to do.
 free-ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
 that, like-wise in God's ser-vice we may per-fect free-dom find.

Intercessions and Thanksgiving

Reader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We pray for the church, especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Daniel, our Bishop. In the diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for the Episcopal Academy. In our companion diocese of Guatemala we pray for Iglesia Episcoapl San Jose el Exodo (Church of St. Joseph of thre Exodus), Guatemala City. The Rev. Deacon Rodolpho Saavedra.

We pray for all those who have asked for our prayers, especially Grace, Scott, Jeff, Eddie, Alexandra, The Spencer Family, Kara, Megan, Leonard, Barbara, Peyton, Peter R, The Scott Family, Abby, Andy, Andrew, Sue, Tommy, Lynn, The Welsford Family, Mike, Parke, Peter, David, Bill, Tricia, Robert, Michael, Charles, Sister Ann, Judy, Ava, and those you wish to name.

We pray for all essential workers in health care, education, service industries, city employees. For all those who are suffering from COVID-19 and those who are caring for them. For those you wish to name.

That you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs.

We pray in thanksgiving for all the good things that have happened this week. For those who celebrate birthdays or anniversaries this week. For those you wish to name.

That you would remind us of your joy and show us your love.

We pray for those who have died, and those you wish to name.

The General Thanksgiving

All **Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

Leader Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Sentence

Leader The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: 139 When Jesus went to Jordan's stream *Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam*



1 When Je - sus went to Jor - dan's stream his Fa - ther's will o -
2 The Ho - ly Spi - rit then was shown, a dove on him de -
3 He came by wa - ter and by blood to heal our lost con -



bey - ing, and was bap - tized by John, there came
scend - ing; the Tri - une God is thus made known
di - tion; he cleans - es, rec - on - ciles to God,



a voice from hea - ven say - ing, "This is my dear be -
in Christ as love un - end - ing. He taught, he healed, he
and gives the Great Com - mis - sion. Then let us not heed



lov - ed Son up - on whom rests my fa - vor."
raised the dead, yet, in his great en - deav - or
world - ly lies nor rest up - on our mer - it,



And till God's will is ful - ly done he will not bend or
to save us, his own blood was shed; but death could hold him
but trust in Christ who will bap - tize with wa - ter and the



wa - ver, for he is Christ the Sa - vior.
nev - er. He rose, and lives for ev - er.
Spi - rit that we may life in - he - rit.

Postlude

Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam

J. S. Bach

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