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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May the revelation of Jesus as the Savior of the World comfort you and fill your heart with elation.

Thank you for joining us for worship. If you have any questions about our service or practice, please feel free to ask one of the ushers or pastors.

- Tune into KFIZ AM 1450 each Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.
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A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Awaken, Lord, our spirit to know and love you more, in faith to stand unshaken, in spirit to adore, that we, through this world moving, each glimpse of heaven proving, may reap its fullness there. O Father, here before you with God the Holy Ghost and Jesus, we adore you, O Pride of angel host. Before you mortals lowly cry "Holy, holy, holy, O blessed Trinity!" Amen.

SERVICE THEME

Baptism is the Cure for an Identity Crisis

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Setting Two | 172-182, 171

OPENING HYMN

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709 Christ, Your Footprints Through the Desert



1 Christ, your foot - prints through the des - ert Led to
 2 Christ, you heard the stir - ring sum - mons As by
 3 Son of God, the road from Jor - dan Led at
 4 God, in Bap - tism you have made us One with



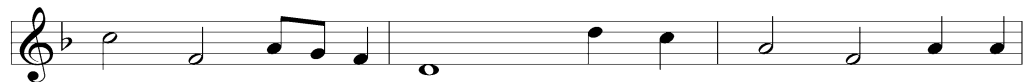
Jor - dan's flow - ing stream. There you heard the
 Jor - dan's bank you stood; Bathed, though sin - less,
 last to Cal - v'ry's hill. There up - on the
 Christ, our ris - en Lord; Freed us, claimed us,



her - ald cry - ing Is - rael's old pro - phet - ic
 with your peo - ple In the riv - er's cleans - ing
 cross for - sak - en, You ful - filled the Fa - ther's
 cleansed, for - giv - en Through the wa - ter and the



dream: "He is com - ing! He is com - ing! He will
 flood. High a - bove, the heav - ens o - pened; Came the
 will. Lamb of God, we see you dy - ing, Sin - less,
 Word. Help us hear your ur - gent sum - mons, Call - ing



cleanse the earth with flame! Sin - ners, plunge be - neath the
 Spir - it as a dove; Spoke a voice be - yond all
 yet for sin - ners slain. But where death rose up to
 us to serve you now. Send us forth, your sons and



wa - ters! Wash a - way your guilt and shame!"
 hear - ing: "See my Son, the one I love!"
 tri - umph, You be - gan your glo - rious reign!
 daugh - ters, With the cross up - on our brow.

This hymn not only underscores the significance of our Lord's baptism in his work of salvation but also demonstrates the intimate connection between his baptism and our own.

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 Tune: BEACH SPRING (87 87 D) *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

PRAYER OF THE DAY Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan, you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children, and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 16:1-13

David was the youngest of eight brothers and a shepherd. Yet, at his anointing, the Lord declared his true identity-future king of Israel.

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I see a king for myself among his sons."

²Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears about it, he will kill me."

The LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' ³Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will let you know what you are to do. You are to anoint for me the person that I point out to you."

⁴So Samuel did what the LORD had told him to do and went to Bethlehem. Trembling with fear, the elders of the city came to meet him. They said, "Do you come in peace?"

⁵He said, "Yes, in peace. I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice." He consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶When they had come, he looked at Eliab and said, "Certainly this is the LORD's anointed."

⁷But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at how tall he is, because I have rejected him. For the LORD does not look at things the way man does. For man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab and had him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, "The LORD has not chosen this one either."

⁹Then Jesse had Shammah pass by. But Samuel said, "The LORD has not chosen this one either."

¹⁰Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel. Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." ¹¹Samuel said to Jesse, "Is that all of the young men?"

Jesse said, "There still is the youngest, but he is tending the sheep."

Samuel said to Jesse, "Send for him, for we cannot sit down to eat until he comes."

¹²He sent for him and brought him in. David had red hair and striking eyes, and was good-looking. The LORD said, "Get up! Anoint him, because this is the one."

¹³So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers. The Spirit of the LORD rushed on David with power from that day forward. After that Samuel set out and returned to Ramah.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM OF THE DAY

You Are My Son | 2

SECOND LESSON

Titus 3:4-7

In the eyes of the world, baptism appears to be just a religious ceremony. St. Paul explains baptism is so much more—a second birth that gives you the identity of God’s child and heir.

But when the kindness and love of God our Savior toward mankind appeared, ⁵he saved us—not by righteous works that we did ourselves, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and the renewal by the Holy Spirit, ⁶whom he poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs in keeping with the hope of eternal life.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Mark 1:11



Refrain



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

Tone



You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.

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GOSPEL

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

People wondered if John the Baptist was the Messiah. He was a powerful preacher who lived a unique life. But at his baptism, Jesus was identified by his Father as the Anointed One.

The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John could be the Christ. ¹⁶John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But someone mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing shovel is in his hand, and he will thoroughly clean out his threshing floor. He will gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

²¹When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. While he was praying, heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love. I am well pleased with you.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

HYMN OF THE DAY

To Jordan’s River Came Our Lord | 377

SERMON

“Jesus is King”

Psalm 2

A peek into the Trinity, through the eyes of the Son, in view of the kings and important people of the world.

Psalm 2

Why do the nations rage? Why do the peoples grumble in vain?

²The kings of the earth take a stand, and the rulers join together against the Lord and against his Anointed One.

³“Let us tear off their chains and throw off their ropes from us.”

⁴The one who is seated in heaven laughs. The Lord scoffs at them.

⁵Then he speaks to them in his anger, and in his wrath he terrifies them.

⁶“I have installed my King on Zion, my holy mountain.”

⁷I will proclaim the decree of the Lord. He said to me:

“You are my Son. Today I have begotten you.

⁸Ask me, and I will give you the nations as your inheritance and the ends of the earth as your possession.

⁹You will smash them with an iron rod. You will break them to pieces like pottery.”

¹⁰So now, you kings, do what is wise. Accept discipline, you judges of the earth.

¹¹Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

¹²Kiss the Son, or he will be angry, and you will be destroyed in your way, for his wrath can flare up in a moment.

How blessed are all who take refuge in him.

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GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING

HYMN *God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It | 679*

PRAYERS & BLESSING *page 171*

CLOSING HYMN *All Who Believe and are Baptized | 692*



ORGANIST:
Amy Meyer

GREETERS:
8:00 ~ Travis & Brindah Birkholz
10:30 ~ Scott, Kerri, Karter, Ella & Levi Morenzen

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