



Faith Lutheran Church

*The Lutheran Church
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And you, child,
will be called the prophet
of the Most High

Luke 1:76

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THE PURPOSE OF FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

In the power, guidance, and strength of the Holy Spirit, we seek God's presence in worship to open our hearts and minds that He may be glorified and we may be empowered to love and serve all people, that souls may be won for Jesus Christ.

The Nativity of J ohn the B aptist

J une 24, 2018

Prayer upon Entering Church: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. *Amen.* ✠

Guests: We welcome you in the name of our Savior and invite you to worship with us regularly. If you do not have a church home, why not make ours yours? If you have a spiritual concern, or would like to know more about our church, please consult with Pastor Winterstein.

Holy Communion: The practice of the Lutheran church is to receive Holy Communion with members of churches with whom we are in fellowship. If you are not a member of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, The Lutheran Church-Canada, or The American Association of Lutheran Churches, please speak to the pastor before communing. If you have not been baptized and instructed in what we teach and confess, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. You may indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. The individual cups in the middle of the trays contain grape juice with a minimal amount of wine in them. If you have questions or concerns about receiving the Sacrament of the Altar here at Faith, please speak to Pr. Winterstein.

Parish Nurse: Carol Trunzo is available by appointment at 509 393-9938 or cat121551@gmail.com.

Nursery: We encourage all children to be in worship, but, at times, for you and those around you, you may consider using our nursery for your children age 3 and younger. We have helpers for our nursery so that you are able to stay and worship.

Prayer Requests: We encourage everyone to fill out the prayer cards located in the pew racks for any prayer request that you may have. Please hand the cards to the ushers at the time of the offering.

The Rite of Friendship: There is a red vinyl pad on the aisle side of the pew. During the offering please record your **first and last name** and, if you are a guest, please put your **mailing address**. This information helps us with ministering to the needs of guests and members. Members, please record address and phone number changes, as well as your current email address, if you would like to receive a weekly update from the church.

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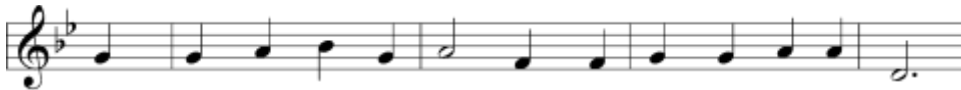
The Nativity of John the Baptist

Prelude

Children's Sermon

Hymn of Invocation: **From God Can Nothing Move Me**

LSB 713



1 From God can noth-ing move me; He will not step a - side
2 When those whom I re - gard - ed As trust - wor - thy and sure
3 The Lord my life ar - rang - es; Who can His work de - stroy?
4 Each day at His good plea - sure God's gra - cious will is done.
5 Praise God with ac - cla - ma - tion And in His gifts re - joice.



But gent - ly will re - prove me And be my con - stant guide.
Have long from me de - part - ed, God's grace shall still en - dure.
In His good time He chang - es All sor - row in - to joy.
He sent His great - est trea - sure In Je - sus Christ, His Son.
Each day finds its vo - ca - tion Re - spond - ing to His voice.



He stretch - es out His hand In eve - ning and in morn - ing,
He res - cues me from sin And breaks the chains that bind me.
So let me then be still: My bod - y, soul, and spir - it
He ev - 'ry gift im - parts. The bread of earth and heav - en
Soon years on earth are past; But time we spend ex - press - ing



My life with grace a - dorn - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.
I leave death's fear be - hind me; His peace I have with - in.
His ten - der care in - her - it Ac - cord - ing to His will.
Are by His kind - ness giv - en. Praise Him with thank - ful hearts!
The love of God brings bless - ing That will for - ev - er last!

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6 Yet even though I suffer
The world's unpleasantness,
And though the days grow rougher
And bring me great distress,
That day of bliss divine,
Which knows no end or measure,
And Christ, who is my pleasure,
Forever shall be mine.

Δ7 For thus the Father willed it,
Who fashioned us from clay;
And His own Son fulfilled it
And brought eternal day.
The Spirit now has come,
To us true faith has given;
He leads us home to heaven.
O praise the Three in One!

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At each ✠, one may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of their Baptism. At each ❖ one may bow in reverence.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ 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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Luke 1:68, 76-79; antiphon: Malachi 3:1

Behold, I send my messenger and he will prepare the way before me.

And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple.

Blessèd be the Lord God of Israel,

for he has visited and redeemed his people.

And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

to give knowledge of salvation to his people

in the forgiveness of their sins,

because of the tender mercy of our God,

whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high

to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,

to guide our feet into the way of peace.

❖ ***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;***

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Behold, I send my messenger and he will prepare the way before me.

Kyrie

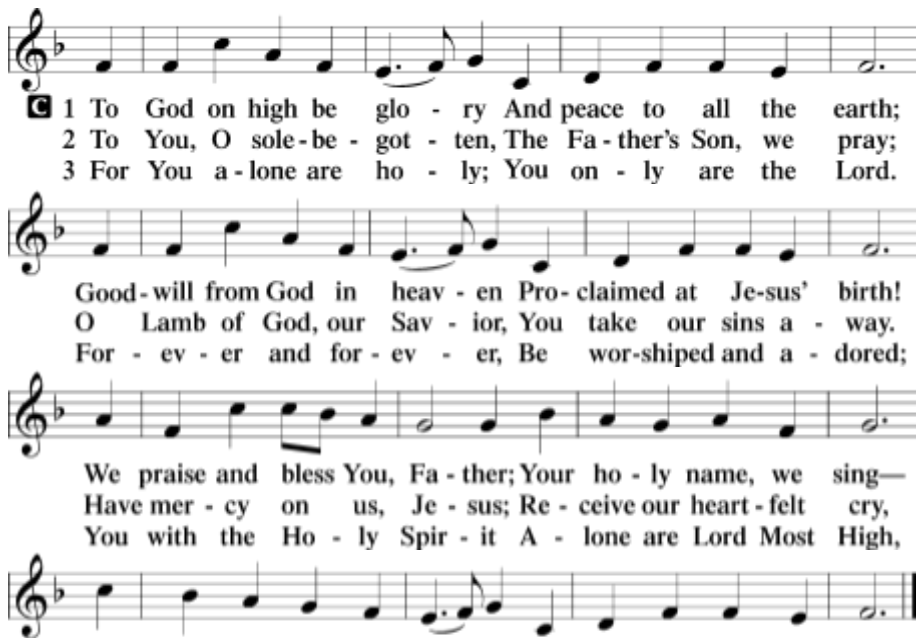
Mark 10:47



G Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14 John 1:29



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.

Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;

We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,

Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, through John the Baptist, the forerunner of Christ, You once proclaimed salvation. Now grant that we may know this salvation and serve You in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life; through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 40:1-5

Comfort for God's People

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Jeremiah 1:5, 9b

Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.
Behold, I have put my words in your mouth.

Second Reading

Acts 13:13-26

Paul and Barnabas in Antioch of Pisidia

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia

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

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

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

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

The image shows a musical score for a liturgical service. It consists of four staves of music in treble clef. The first staff is a three-part setting of 'Alleluia'. The second staff is a two-part setting of the Gospel reading: 'These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.' The third staff is another three-part setting of 'Alleluia'. The music is simple and melodic, suitable for a church service.

Holy Gospel

Luke 1:57-80

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

The Birth of John the Baptist

Zechariah's Prophecy

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to You, O Christ.

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.

Sit

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: *By All Your Saints in Warfare*

LSB 518

1 By all Your saints in warfare,
For all Your saints at rest,
Your holy name, O Jesus,
Forevermore be blest!
For You have won the battle
That they might wear the crown;
And now they shine in glory
Reflected from Your throne.

18 We praise You for the Baptist,
Forerunner of the Word,
Our true Elijah, making
A highway for the Lord.
The last and greatest prophet,
He saw the dawning ray
Of light that grows in splendor
Until the perfect day.

Δ3 Then let us praise the Father
And worship God the Son
And sing to God the Spirit,
Eternal Three in One,
Till all the ransomed number
Fall down before the throne,
Ascribing pow'r and glory
And praise to God alone.

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Sermon

Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray to the Lord:
C Lord, have mercy.

Sit

Service of the Sacrament

Stand

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22 Colossians 3:1 Psalm 136

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

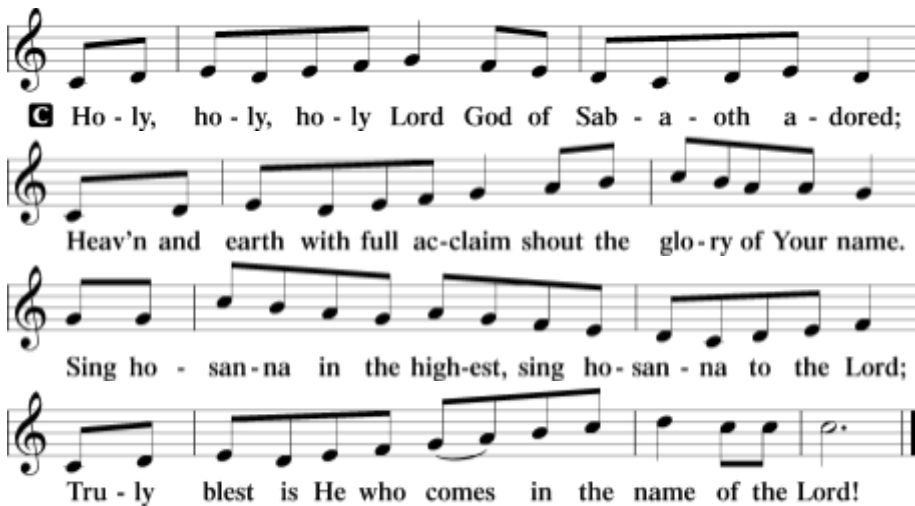
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3 Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

- 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 ✠ 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 ✠ 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.

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).

Agnus Dei

John 1:29

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true us, Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

Distribution

Prayer before receiving Christ's Body and Blood: Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof, but speak the word and I shall be healed. [For further preparation, you may want to consider Luther's Christian Questions with their Answers on pp. 329-330 of Lutheran Service Book.]

Prayer after receiving Christ's Body and Blood: Almighty and everlasting God, we thank and praise You for feeding us the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send us Your Holy Spirit that, having with our mouths received the holy Sacrament, we may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Distribution Hymn: **Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord**

LSB 637



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,
 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
 3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,

And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;
 To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;
 And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.

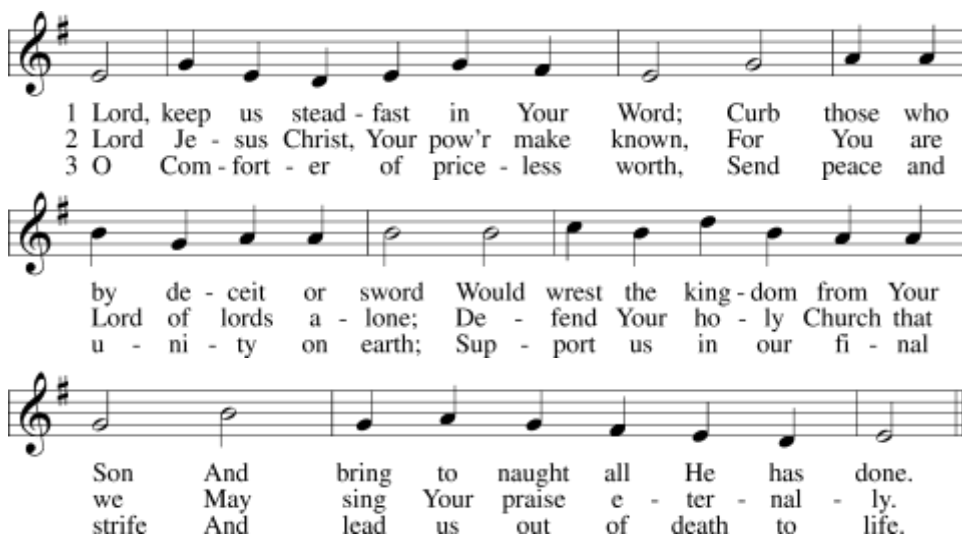
Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,
 With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,
 O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow

Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.
 Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.
 As in this feast of love You bless us now.

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Distribution Hymn: **Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word**

LSB 655



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
 3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and

by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your
 Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that
 u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal

Son And bring to naught all He has done.
 we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
 strife And lead us out of death to life.

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1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,
 3 "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way will lie,
 Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
 For I am your God and will still give you aid;
 I will not, I will not, de - sert to his foes;
 My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, will be your sup - ply.
 What more can He say than to you He has said
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
 That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,
 The flames will not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
 Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er, for - sake!
 Your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.

- 5 "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove
 My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love;
 And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn,
 Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."

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1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,
 2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,
 3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor

In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy
 Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er
 That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -

bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that
 love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there -
 geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this

they may flour - ish; O Lord, have mer - cy!
 of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!
 blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!

May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our
 Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy
 Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that

sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead
 blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;
 heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see

In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

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Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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

Psalm 103:1

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

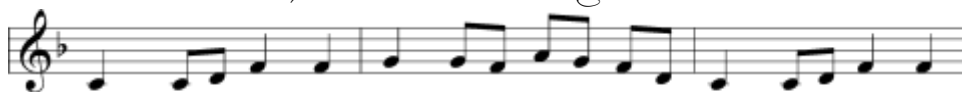
Benediction

- 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 ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Sit

Announcements

Stand



1 Christ, the Word of God in - car - nate, Lord and Son of
 2 Christ, the liv - ing bread from heav - en, Food for bod - y,
 3 Christ, the shoot that springs tri - um - phant From the stump of
 4 Christ, our good and faith - ful shep - herd, Watch - ing all Your



A - bra - ham; Christ, the ra - diance of the Fa - ther,
 food for soul; Christ, the man - na dai - ly giv - en,
 Jes - se's tree; Christ, true vine, You nur - ture branch - es
 lambs and sheep; Christ, the gate that guards the sheep - fold,



Per - fect God, the great I AM; Christ, the light, You
 Nour - ish, strength - en, make us whole. Feed us with the
 To bear fruit a - bun - dant - ly. Graft us in - to
 Nev - er - fail - ing vig - il keep. When we stray, Good



shine un - van - quished, Light and life You bring to all; Light our
 food of heav - en, Fore - taste of the feast to be; Quench our
 You, O Sav - ior; Prune our hearts so we re - main Fruit - ful
 Shep - herd, seek us, Find us, lift us, bear us home; Lamb of



path with Your own pres - ence, Grant us grace to heed Your call.
 thirst with liv - ing wa - ter Spring - ing up e - ter - nal - ly.
 branch - es in Your vine - yard Till e - ter - nal life we gain.
 God, our shep - herd, keep us; Let us hear Your voice a - lone.

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|---|--|
| <p>5 Christ, the way that leads unfailing
 To the Father's home on high,
 Christ, the truth that frees the captive,
 Christ, the life that cannot die.
 Mediator to the Father,
 Sacrifice and great High Priest:
 Lead us to Your heav'nly mansions,
 There to share Your wedding feast.</p> | <p>Δ6 Christ, the Alpha and Omega,
 Christ, the firstborn from the dead,
 Christ, the life and resurrection,
 Christ, the Church's glorious head:
 Praise and thanks and adoration
 And unending worship be
 To the Father and the Spirit
 And to You eternally.</p> |
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P Go in the peace of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Please join us for fellowship, coffee and cookies in the Fellowship Hall after the service

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Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book

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Prayers

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Our Synod's Leaders: Dr. Matthew Harrison, Rev. Paul Linneman

Prayers for Our Nation: Our President, our Congress, our Governor and Legislators

Our Military: Afghanistan: Jackson Nystrom; Germany: Jonathan Janos, Mike Pappal; Stateside: Dakota Aldrich, Jonas Balloga, Kyle Barger, Levi Barger, James Beedie, Robert Haight, Thomas & Monica Heuer, Zach Manyrath, Elizabeth Martin, Tim McCamey, Dylan Mitchell, Nick Neely, Mark Pappal, Joseph Reese, Luke Sukow, Ethan Visser

Prayers for Comfort:

Prayers for Continued Healing: Karen Bailey, Shad Bailey, Larry Barger, Keegan Beckman, Al Berg, Malakiah Blackwell, Daryle Booth, Walt Brunner, Ted Conrad, Jacob and Mellissa Crosby, Pam Dais, Joy Deich, Bob Donnell, Ray Ericksen, Doug Fischer, Gary Fischer, Pita Gonzalez, Dorothy Haight, Steve & Jenny Hancock, Chad Hoffman, Ashlee Johnson and children, Janie Kester, Bob Koenig, Nick Leishman, Paul Lichtenberg, Genevieve Marrapodi, Jo Maydole, Larry Melcher, Marcia Murray, Perci Owens, Kelly Peterson, Don Rosentrater, Salli Schonning, Leslie Simpson, Diana Snell, Dewey & Ruth Stedman, Stephanie Taylor, Karen Turnipseed, Ernie Vipond, Bonnie Williams, Dwayne Visser

Prayers for Shut-Ins: Elsie Dobrowolski, Tom Oelke, Harriet Robinson, Wes & Judy Visser

General Prayers: For those seeking employment and/or experiencing hardship in these difficult times, and preschool children

For those continuing their instruction in the Christian Faith: Ava Langford, Jameson Maydole, Jonas Winterstein, Salem Winterstein

Prayers for Marriages and Families:

Prayers for Safe Travel and Spiritual Growth:

Expectant Mothers: Carissa Stone

Announcements

Memorial Service: The memorial service for James Maydole will be on Saturday, June 30 at 11:00 am.

Hymn Sing: Sign up for your favorite hymn! The sign-up sheet is on the Kiosk for the July 29 Hymn Sing worship service.

Work Station Computer: The work station computer in the office will be replaced soon, so if you have information on it please come and get it. Flash drives are available if you need them.

Yard Work Help: Do you need help with any yard work this summer? Jonas Winterstein will be available to help you. Call him at 509 885 7178.

Prayer for Life: *"Upholding and defending the sanctity of each human life..."* We will meet to pray for life Tuesday, July 3, at Calvary Crossroads Church, 1301 Maple Street, Wenatchee. Please invite your friends to join us to pray for the Lord to restore to the church, to our nation and to the world the understanding that human life is created in the sacred image of God. Thank you and God bless you all, Norm & Cheryl Armstrong ncarm66@gmail.com and Pastor Gene Helsel ghelsel58@gmail.com

Sunday 24 The Nativity of John the Baptist	Divine Service Coffee Fellowship Adult Study/Sunday School	9:30 am 10:45 am 11:00 am
Monday 25	SAIL Exercise Class	10:30 am
Tuesday 26	Morning Prayer Bible Study	8:30 am 9:00 am
Wednesday 27	Morning Prayer SAIL Exercise Class	8:30 am 10:30 am
Thursday 28	Morning Prayer Tabitha Circle	8:30 am 9:30 am
Friday 29	SAIL Exercise Class	10:30 am
Saturday 30	James Maydole Memorial Service	11:00 am
Sunday 1 The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	Divine Service Coffee Fellowship Adult Study/Sunday School	9:30 am 10:45 am 11:00 am

Today

Next Sunday

Elders		
Ushers	Stan Delzer Byron Lee	Ron Cowell Eric Loeb sack
Organist	Laura Cornwall	Laura Cornwall
Altar Care	Millie Fortner & Peggy Christensen	
Chancel Flowers	Flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Tom and Jane Watson in celebration of their anniversary today, and by Eva Williams in celebration of the birthdays of her grandchildren Kellen and Izak	
Last Week Offerings:	\$2,123	Offerings This Month: \$9,633
		Last Week Attendance: 60

The Nativity of St. John



About the Cover

As God had foretold, John was born to be the forerunner of Jesus. Zechariah learned firsthand that God indeed keeps His promises to all mankind. While we may not experience God the way Zechariah did, we do have God's sure and certain Word to show us God's love for us and that He keeps His promises to us through Christ Jesus, His Son, our Savior.

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5

- 1 Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.
- 2 Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that her warfare is ended,
that her iniquity is pardoned,
that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins.
- 3 A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the
way of the LORD;
make straight in the desert a highway for
our God.
- 4 Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made
low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.
- 5 And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all flesh shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

Second Reading: Acts 13:13-26

¹³Now Paul and his companions set sail from Paphos and came to Perga in Pamphylia. And John left them and returned to Jerusalem. ¹⁴But they went on from Perga and came to Antioch in Pisidia. And on the Sabbath day they went into the synagogue and sat down. ¹⁵After the reading from the Law and the Prophets, the rulers of the synagogue sent a message to them, saying, "Brothers, if you have any word of exhortation for the people, say it." ¹⁶So Paul stood up, and motioning with his hand said:

"Men of Israel and you who fear God, listen. ¹⁷The God of this people Israel chose our fathers and made the people great during their stay in the land of Egypt, and with uplifted arm he led them out of it. ¹⁸And for about forty years he put up with them in the wilderness. ¹⁹And after destroying seven nations in the land of Canaan, he gave them their land as an inheritance. ²⁰All this took about 450 years. And after that he gave them judges until Samuel the prophet. ²¹Then they asked for a king, and God gave them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, for forty years. ²²And when he had removed him, he raised up David to be their king, of whom he testified and said, 'I have found in David the son of Jesse a man after my heart, who will do all my will.' ²³Of this man's offspring God has brought to Israel a Savior, Jesus, as he promised. ²⁴Before his coming, John had proclaimed a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel. ²⁵And as John was finishing his course, he said, 'What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. No, but behold, after me one is coming, the sandals of whose feet I am not worthy to untie.'

²⁶"Brothers, sons of the family of Abraham, and those among you who fear God, to us has been sent the message of this salvation."

Holy Gospel: Luke 1:57-80

⁵⁷Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. ⁵⁸And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. ⁵⁹And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father, ⁶⁰but his mother answered, "No; he shall be called John." ⁶¹And they said to her, "None of your relatives is called by this name." ⁶²And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he wanted him to be called. ⁶³And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John." And they all wondered. ⁶⁴And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God. ⁶⁵And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea, ⁶⁶and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, "What then will this child be?" For the hand of the Lord was with him.

⁶⁷And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying,

- ⁶⁸ "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he has visited and redeemed his
people
⁶⁹ and has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of his servant David,
⁷⁰ as he spoke by the mouth of his holy proph-
ets from of old,
⁷¹ that we should be saved from our enemies
and from the hand of all who hate us;
⁷² to show the mercy promised to our fathers
and to remember his holy covenant,
⁷³ the oath that he swore to our father Abra-
ham, to grant us
⁷⁴ that we, being delivered from the hand of
our enemies,
might serve him without fear,
⁷⁵ in holiness and righteousness before him
all our days.
⁷⁶ And you, child, will be called the prophet of
the Most High;
for you will go before the Lord to prepare
his ways,
⁷⁷ to give knowledge of salvation to his people
in the forgiveness of their sins,
⁷⁸ because of the tender mercy of our God,
whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on
high
⁷⁹ to give light to those who sit in darkness and
in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace."

⁸⁰And the child grew and became strong in spir-
it, and he was in the wilderness until the day of
his public appearance to Israel.