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Baptism of our Lord

January 12, 2025

Welcome to worship!

Throughout the service, you will be invited to sit, stand, or kneel as you are able and as you feel comfortable. All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, for it is Christ who does the inviting. An usher will let you know when it

is your row's turn to come forward. Bread, gluten-free wafers, red wine, and white juice are all available. Please tell the pastor you need a gluten-free wafer when it is your turn.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY TIME OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM- *The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

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.

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. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Majesty

G Am⁷ G/B C G⁶/B Am⁷ C/D D

Maj - es - ty, wor - ship his maj - es - ty: un - to

G D/F# Em⁷ A⁷ D⁷sus D⁷

Je - sus be all glo - ry, hon - or, and praise.

G Am⁷ G/B C G⁶/B Am⁷ Cm/Eb

Maj - es - ty, king - dom au - thor - i - ty flows from his

G/D Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷ G C/G G

throne un - to his own; his an - them raise.

Bm⁷ Bbdim⁷ Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷ G

So ex - alt, lift up on high the name of Je - sus.

G Bm⁷ Bbdim⁷ Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷/C B

Mag - ni - fy, come glo - ri - fy Christ Je - sus, the king.

Am⁷ D G Am⁷ G/B C G⁶/B

Maj - es - ty, wor - ship his maj - es - ty:

Am⁷ Cm/Eb G/D Am⁷

Je - sus who died, now glo - ri - fied,

D⁷ C/D D⁷ To repeat
G C/G G Last time
Em Am⁷ Cm/Eb

King of all kings. kings. Je - sus who

G/D Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷ G C/G G

died, now glo - ri - fied, King of all kings.

WORD -The congregation may be seated.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 43:1-7

But now 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, Cush 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."

PSALM 29

Marty Haugen

The musical score for Psalm 29 is presented in three systems. The first system includes a tempo marking of quarter note = 96 and a section labeled "Descant" with lyrics: "The Lord will bless his people with". The second system is labeled "Melody" and continues the lyrics: "The Lord will bless his people with peace. The". The third system concludes the piece with the lyrics: "peace, bless his people with peace." and "Lord will bless his people with peace." Both the top and bottom staves of the third system feature a fermata over the final note, with the instruction "(Last time)" written above the staff.

Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly powers,
Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength
Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name,
Bow down before the Lord, majestic in holiness.

The voice of the Lord upon the waters,
The Lord on the immensity of the waters;
The voice of the Lord full of power;
The voice of the Lord full of splendor.

The God of glory thunders
In his temple they all cry, "Glory!"
The Lord sat enthroned above the flood,
The Lord sits as King forever.

SECOND READING

Acts 8:14-17

Now 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.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - *The congregation is invited to stand, as able.*



The holy gospel according to Luke, the 3rd chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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 strap 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."

The gospel of the Lord.

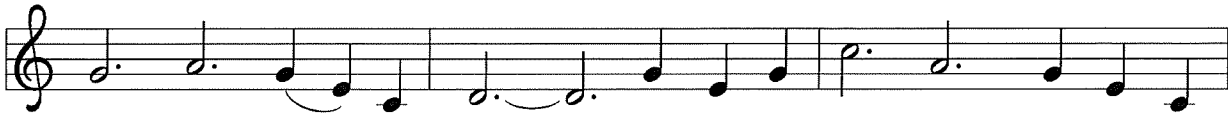
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Baptized in Water



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust-ing his
 tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

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 Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune
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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The assembly is invited into prayer:

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

(A brief silence)

*After each petition, "God of grace, **hear our prayer.**"*

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

The congregation greets one another with the words "peace be with you" or "God's peace" and a sign of peace—a wave, a handshake, a peace sign, etc.

MEAL

SPECIAL MUSIC

"All Will, at Last Be One - Kathy Powell

Choir

OFFERING PRAYER

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas.
Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.
Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING- *The congregation is invited to stand, as able.*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The presiding minister continues:

Eternal God, in the abundance of your love you have caused all things to be; from dust and spirit, you have woven our humanity; in all our wanderings, you never cease to call us to fullness of life. You gave us Jesus, son of Mary, the bread of life, broken for the world; he fed us and feasted with us; he healed us and suffered for us; his dying and rising have set us free from the poverty of sin and the famine of death. Therefore, with all whom you have made, cherished, and called, with all who hunger for your kingdom and will not rest until all your children are fed, with the broken saints and redeemed sinners of all the ages, we take up the song of your praise:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon these gifts, that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom. Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and said:

“This is my body, which is given for you.

Do this to remember me.”

In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying:

“This cup is the new covenant in my blood.

Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.”

As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore, in our eating and drinking
we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ;
we proclaim him as creation's host,
transforming poverty into plenty
in the reckless generosity of love.

Inspire us with the hope
that one day death and greed will be no more
and people without number
will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom and with whom and in whom
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Steven Shakespeare, Prayers for an Inclusive Church, Church Publishing (New York, NY: 2009).

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The joy of the Lord is our strength.

Come, eat this meal of gladness.

DISTRIBUTION

I've Got Peace like a River



1 I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er,
 2 I've got joy like a foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain,
 3 I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean,



I've got peace like a riv - er in my soul;
 I've got joy like a foun - tain in my soul;
 I've got love like an o - cean in my soul;



I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er,
 I've got joy like a foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain,
 I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean,



I've got peace like a riv - er in my soul.
 I've got joy like a foun - tain in my soul.
 I've got love like an o - cean in my soul.

Text: traditional

Music: PEACE LIKE A RIVER, African American spiritual

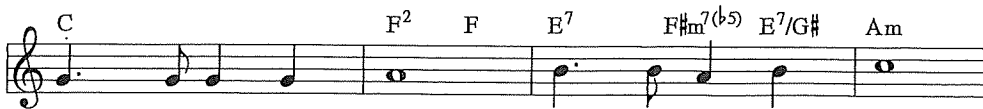
Glorify thy name



1 Fa - ther,
 2 Je - sus, we love you, we wor - ship and a - dore you,
 3 Spir - it,



glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth;



glo - ri - fy thy name, glo - ri - fy thy name,



glo - ri - fy thy name in all the earth.

Text and music: Donna Adkins

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink.

Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray, **Amen.**

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The Spirit of the triune God ☩ bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG- *The congregation is invited to stand, as able.*

Hymnal #866

We Are Marching in the Light of God

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It features a variety of rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. Triplet markings (indicated by a '3' over a bracket) are used throughout the piece. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with some words like 'ing*' and 'ing' indicating where the congregation should perform specific actions. The score concludes with a double bar line and repeat signs.

We are march - ing* in the light of God, we are march-ing in the
light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God, we are
march-ing in the light of God, we are march-ing,
march-ing in the light of, the light of God, we are march-ing, march-ing, we are
Oo we are
march - ing, march - ing, we are march-ing in the light of God.

*Additional text: dancing, singing, praying

1) Marching; 2) Praying; 3) Serving

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in hope.

Thanks be to God.

We invite you to remain seated quietly for the postlude. If you exit during the postlude, please refrain from conversation until you are outside of the sanctuary. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in Luther Hall immediately following the service.

POSTLUDE

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher/Presider: Pr. Karen Marohn

Assisting Minister: Anne Voth

Musicians: Justin Hershey, Beth Sullivan and Max Chodos

Lector: Rob O'Carroll

Ushers: Mikki Beck and Vicky Asmussen

All are welcome! As a community of the people of God, the members of San Marcos Lutheran Church are called to welcome all people, regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28)

Are you new to San Marcos Lutheran Church? Pastor Casey would love the opportunity to get to know you, and has put together a short, confidential, online form. Your smartphone's QR reader can take you to it using this code.

If technology isn't your cup of tea (or if it just isn't working for you today) there are cream-colored cards in the pew in front of you, which you can fill out and put in the silver offering plates, hand to an usher, or hand to Pastor Casey after the service. We're glad you're here!

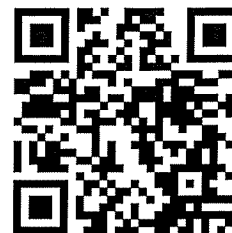


Let Us Keep These People in Our Prayers: Susan Agonia, Dawn, Christine Buma, Jim Cavolt, Sue Check, Bill Hanson, Jolene Hanson, Pete Johnson, Jim Kent, Linda Kent, Susan Kent, Gary Kloehn, Laura, Deborah McGregor, Melinda Nelson, Leanne Pohrman, Alvar Roy, Vern Soderstrom, Marilynne Smith, Dawn Steele, Louise Testerman, Elijah Toler, Nick Torres, Kelly Van Jen. Let us pray for our homebound members: Beverly Gift, Janice Phillips, and Carol Schwartz. We also continue to pray for: Pacifica Synod Bishop David Nagler and ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.

Thank you for supporting the ministry of San Marcos Lutheran Church! **Your generosity enables us to do God's work in our community.** Your contributions to our general fund support our budgeted expenses—we cannot do it without your support!

You can contribute in any of the following ways:

- Place a check or cash in the silver offering plates at the back of the sanctuary on Sundays;
- Mail a check to the church office (3419 Grand Ave. San Marcos, CA 92078);
- Set up a recurring donation through your bank;
- Make a one-time or recurring donation with your credit or debit card or bank account through Tithe.ly, our online giving portal. Visit sanmarcoslutheran.org/give to get started.



Your smartphone's QR reader can take you there by scanning this code. *San Marcos Lutheran Church is a 501(c)(3) organization, and your gift may be tax-deductible.*

Audio & Visual Volunteers Needed

Help enhance our Sunday Worship experience! Our Communications Coordinator, Adriana Alfaro, is seeking volunteers to assist with Audio and Visual equipment. No experience necessary - training provided! Contact us to learn more and sign up! email: comms@sanmarcoslutheran.org

The La Jolla Renaissance Singers will be performing TODAY at 4pm. The Singers perform in Renaissance costumes and will do a combination of Renaissance and 20th Century music including two settings of O Magnum Mysterium, one by contemporary composer Morten Lauridsen. There are about 16 singers and they are directed by Douglas Lynn, the director of music at St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Oceanside. All are welcome to attend. Free will offering at the door.

Women's Retreat

Join us for a Women's Retreat, Feb 28-March 2 at Luther Glen. Reserve your spot Today! Restore our spirit, bodies, relationships, communities, earth. Contact Beth Sullivan at beth@pa3.com or Pr. Casey with questions.

Today during Community Time

The Social Action Committee invites everyone to come help make Happy Birthday Posters and boxes for the Hawthorne Family Center, today in Luther Hall right after the service.

Blessing Bag Assembly on January 19th during Community Time

On January 19th, join the Social Action Committee to assemble blessing bags for our neighbors in need. The plan is to make 100 bags, so we need all hands on deck! Contact Br. Jack Anderson with any questions about how you can help.

ALL SAINTS FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry is in need of donations of jam or jelly this month. Food distribution takes place at All Saints Episcopal Church in Vista - on the 3rd and 4th Saturdays of the month. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact Doris Payne (dorispayne3247@gmail.com or Cell #559-299-0146) or Jill Adachi (jesadachi@yahoo.com or 831-566-4687). Thank you for your ongoing support of this wonderful ministry.

Beanies and Scarf Donations Needed!

Urgent need for donations of new and/or gently-used beanies and scarves to be handed out on January 30th during homeless count day. Please bring your donations to the donation box in the narthex by January 26th.

Lutheran Disaster Response

Lutheran Disaster Response is coordinating with the Southwest California Synod and Pacifica Synod to assess the needs of people impacted by the wildfires. We will work with them to address immediate needs amid the destruction and assist with recovery efforts for months and years to come.

If you would like to donate to this response, donations can be made at www.give.elca.org or you can write a check to SMLC with note in memo to Lutheran Disaster Relief/LA fires.