



CHURCH *of the* GOOD SHEPHERD

Changing Lives, Sharing Christ

Holy Eucharist Rite Two/Holy Baptism

7 January 2024

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

10:30 a.m.

The Baptism of Our Lord

Prelude

The Word of God

Hymn in Procession #400 (vv. 1-3,7)

All Creatures of our God and King

Opening Acclamation

BCP 299

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Father of all.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The Lesson

Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the 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. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 29

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 upon the mighty waters.

4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful 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.

9 And in the temple of the Lord *
all are crying, "Glory!"

10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.

11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

The Epistle

Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?” They replied, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” Then he said, “Into what then were you baptized?” They answered, “Into John’s baptism.” Paul said, “John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.” On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn #76 (vv. 1,2)

On Jordan’s Bank

The Holy Gospel

Mark 1:4-11

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn #76 (vv. 3-5)

On Jordan’s Bank

Sermon

The Rev. Milton E. Black, Jr.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates BCP 301

Questions to Parents and Godparents

Presentation of **Eloise Ann Sartoris, Margaret Kate Hartman,
Carter James Swann, Cameron Joshua Swann, Lindsey Louise Swann,
Neeson, Neeson** for the Sacrament of Baptism

Question to the Congregation

The Baptismal Covenant BCP 304

Prayers for the Candidates

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Baptism BCP 307

The Peace BCP 360

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

Prayer of Birthday and Anniversary

O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Holy Communion

Anthem

Hymn at the Presentation of Gifts

Old

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

Sanctus #S-125

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Richard Proulx

Prayer of Consecration

BCP 368

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion at this Altar.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP 366

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn in Procession #398

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

The Dismissal

Postlude

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