



The Baptism of Our Lord
***Please Stand As You Are Able**

LBW - Lutheran Book of Worship
WOV– With One Voice

God Gathers Us

Prelude

Beautiful River

Robert Lowry, arr. Lani Smith

Words of Welcome/Greeting Our Guests

***Invocation and Salutation**

***Opening Hymn**

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

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***Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness**

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***Sharing the Peace of the Lord**

***Kyrie**

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***Hymn of Praise**

Glory to God

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***Prayer of the Day**

The Children's Sermon

(PRAYER CARDS PICKED UP BY USHERS AT THIS TIME)

Holy Scripture Isaiah 43:1-7

43 But now, this is what the LORD says—he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. ³ For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of

Israel, your Savior; I give Egypt for your ransom, Cush and Seba in your stead. ⁴ Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵ Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west. ⁶ I will say to the north, ‘Give them up!’ and to the south, ‘Do not hold them back.’ Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth— ⁷ everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

Holy Scripture: Romans 6: 1-11

6 What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? ² By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? ³ Or don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— ⁷ because anyone who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Holy Gospel: Luke 3:15-22

¹⁵ The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. ¹⁶ John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.” ²¹ When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened ²² and 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; with you I am well pleased.”

Sermon

A New Life

Pastor Thomas M. Brodbeck

***Apostles’ Creed**

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***Prayer of the Church**

We Respond to God's Grace
Our Response in Tithes and Offerings

Musical Offering (8:00) *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* Mark Hayes
(10:45) *The Lily of the Valley* Lloyd Larson
Jean Ann Shafferman
Sanctuary Choir

*Prayer of Dedication p. 35 WOV

God Feeds Us
The Sacrament of Holy Communion

*The Great Thanksgiving p. 36 WOV

**Holy, holy, holy Lord* p. 36

*The Words of Institution

*The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God p. 39

Distribution of the Meal and Blessing of the Children

Musical Offering *Who You Say I Am* Reuben Morgan
Ben Fielding
Stacey Laux, vocalist

***Post-Communion Blessing** p. 40

***Closing Hymn** *Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God* # 191 LBW

***Benediction**

***Dismissal**

P Gathered by God

C Receiving the Lord

P Sent by the Spirit

C Revealing His Love

The Postlude *Bourree from "Water Music" Suite* George F. Handel

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Intercessory Prayers

12/23/18

Donna Stelzer

Jack McCarthy (cousin of Kerry Rothgeb)

12/30/18

Chloe Alt (great niece of Mary Lynn Johnson)

James Davis (friend of Norman Parks)

1/06/19

Diane Hertz

Linda Fuschino

Dorothy Dunaway (grandmother of Kristina and Kimberly Hopkins)

Prayers of Support

For our Senior Pastor Call Committee

For North American Lutheran Church Disaster Relief Ministry

For members of the U.S. military

For first responders

For marriages and families in crisis

For all seeking employment

For 2019 Grace council and staff

For those suffering from addiction

For Christian faith-based ministries

For our community, country, and our world

For family and friends living in care facilities

For Bishop John Bradosky, the North American Lutheran Church,

and the Southwest Ohio Mission District of the NALC

Dear Heavenly Father~ as we begin this new year in prayer with you, may we pray with more faith and thoughtfulness. Remind us, if we never make requests with bold faith, we may never experience the joy of watching You answer our prayers! Even though we may be afraid of what Your answers will be, encourage us to ask specifically how we can do more for You. We earnestly pray for more chances to be like your faithful servant Paul and talk with others about You this year. Show us how to look at the world with prayerful eyes...watchful for ways that allow You to use our hands and feet to reach others in Your Most Holy Name. Oh, how we love You.

Here we are Lord, please use us.... Amen

Prayerfully submitted by the Grace Prayer Support Team

THIS WEEK

Sun., Jan. 13 8:00 a.m. Worship (S)
Baptism of 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
Our Lord 9:15 a.m. Parent 'prep' for *Are You Smarter Than a 4th Grader?* (CW 104)
 9:15 a.m. Women of Grace (CR)
 10:15 a.m. Fellowship
 10:45 a.m. Worship (S)
 12:15 p.m. Financial Stewardship team (CR)
 2:00 p.m. Community group (FH)
 2:30 p.m. *Worship at Springfield Manor*
 8:00 p.m. Community group (P)

Mon., Jan. 14

Tue., Jan. 15 8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (P)
 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Staff meeting/Grace office closed
 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts (CW102-105, N108)

Wed., Jan. 16 5:30 p.m. Grace Notes rehearsal (S)
 6:00 p.m. Wednesday night dinner (FH)
 7:00 p.m. Disciple Fast Track (N108)
 7:00 p.m. Lessons for Living class (P)
 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal (MR/S)

Thu., Jan. 17 11:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (P)
 6:00 p.m. Prayer Support Team (L)

Fri., Jan. 18 6:00 p.m.-9 a.m. Cub Scout Camp In
 8:00 p.m. Community group (CR)

Sat., Jan. 19 8:00 a.m. Men's Bible study (P)

Sun., Jan. 20 8:00 a.m. Worship (S)
 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for children and youth
 9:15 a.m. *Are You Smarter Than a 4th Grader?*

(CW 104)

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 9:15 a.m. Outreach Break/Nehemiah Founda-
 10:15 a.m. Fellowship
 10:45 a.m. Worship (S)
 8:00 p.m. Community group (P)

C	Café
CC	Community Center
CR	Conference Room
CW	Children's Wing
FH	Fellowship Hall
K	Kitchen
L	Library
MR	Music Room
N	Narthex
NY	Nursery
P	Parlor
S	Sanctuary
YW	Youth Wing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Email announcements to bulletin@grace-nalc.org by NOON on Tuesdays.)

Today we continue the adult Sunday School class titled “Forgiven.” This three session class focuses on God’s forgiveness as well as our need to forgive others and ourselves. We will meet in the community center.

Our Sunday School offerings will support the work of the NALC Disaster Response team. Learn more about this ministry at <https://thenalc.org/nalc-disaster-response>

Today is the last day to return your coin “houses” for the Fuller Center for Housing . Put them on the table in the narthex.

Today: A reminder to the parents of our 4th and 5th graders - Parent Review session for “Are you Smarter Than a 4th Grader is **TODAY**, 9:15-10:15 with Pastor Powell in the Children’s Wing (CW102). The competition between you and your 4/5th grader will be next Sun., Jan. 20...same time and place. Don’t miss out on this fun opportunity with Pastor Powell and your family!

Today Worship at the Manor: The residents eagerly look forward to our visits each 2nd Sunday of the month. Join us at 10 a.m. (**NOTE TIME CHANGE**) today at the Springfield Manor.

Wednesday Night Discipleship:

- Disciple Fast Track (N108), facilitated by Sam Poston and Leslie McKinney
- Lessons for Living (Parlor), facilitated by Pastor Brodbeck

Rainbow table needs volunteers for Jan. 15, 22, 29 for both shifts (2-5 p.m. and 5-7 p.m.) Please use Sign-Up Central or call Robert Thompson. (937-605-0445).

Wednesday night dinner: Join us around the Family Table for dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 16. Menu: Lasagna, tossed salad, garlic breadsticks, variety of desserts.

GriefShare begins Mon., Jan. 21 at 6:30-8:30 p.m. Please let us know you are coming by registering in Sign-Up Central. There is no cost for the 13 week course. Invite anyone you know who may have recently experienced the loss of a loved one.

Pastor Powell, beginning Sun. Feb. 3rd, will convene a 2-part adult Sunday school class he has titled ‘**Prepare the Way**’. The objective of this series is to help us all acknowledge the inevitability of our passing forward and to prepare the way for those who will survive us... funeral planning, scripture lessons, favorite hymns, type of service and location of service, contents of an obituary, and much more. All who so choose, will provide their loved ones, and the Pastors of this congregation, with a priceless gift of written personal plans and preferences.

Chancel/Altar flowers for 2019. If you would like to provide chancel or altar flowers for the sanctuary on a special date in 2019 please contact Darla Kalifoot at 399-6257 ext. 102.

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Beginning Sun. Feb. 17th. Pastor Powell will convene, an adult Sunday school series on The Large Catechism, written by Martin Luther. For maximum benefit of all participating, we want to order a copy of The Large Catechism for everyone attending the class. Please indicate your intention to attend this series so we can order/receive these books in a timely fashion. Grace will share the cost of each book, enabling participants to receive the book for \$6.00!

There will be a 3 week break for all **Youth Groups.** Youth Groups will return at their normal times the week of February 4.

Staff Position: Grace seeks a Ministry Assistant for Marketing and Technology, with primary responsibility for increasing and promoting the visibility of our church and shared responsibility to developing and overseeing quality communication mechanisms. This is part-time position. A complete job description and application packet may be found in the Grace front office. Applications are due by Feb. 10.

How have you served the Lord this week? As a part of our efforts to provide 10,000 hours of service to area outreach ministries, share how you have served by completing the statement found on Sign-Up Central.

Attendance Records Last Sunday - January 6, 2019

8:00 a.m. Worship.....	136
Adult Sunday School.....	60
Youth Sunday School.....	39
10:45 am Worship.....	99

Tithes and Offerings.....\$13,221.50

Scripture Readings Next week - January 20, 2019 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 62:1-5
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11

Our Celebration of Holy Communion

Our congregation offers Holy Communion, following instruction by our pastors, to all fifth graders and older. For our guests, come forward and share Holy Communion if you have been baptized ('in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit', as Jesus instructed us), accept Jesus as Lord, and believe the words of Jesus that this meal is His body and blood, given and shed for you. Everyone is encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing. We are thankful to have you with us!

SERVING THIS MORNING

Pastor	Daniel M. Powell
Pastor	Thomas M. Brodbeck
Acolytes	Tristan Kouse (8:00) Rachael Cline (10:45)
Lectors	Eric Leeth (8:00), Charlie Lantz (10:45)
Communion Asst:	Kristi Leeth, Leslie McKinney, Janet Rice (8:00) Carol Carpenter, Amy Fraker, Bill Hester (10:45)
Ushers	*Mark Klopfenstein, Lance Jones, Jim Rolfes, Craig and Cindy Witker (8:00) *Jim Kestner, Dan Shroyer, Ron Coss, Ryan Maurer (10:45)
Altar Care	Kristi Leeth, Marilyn Kissell
Sight & Sound	Steve Garrett (8:00), Glen Whitley (10:45)
Organist	Bev Kaech
Choir Director	Barbara Blackburn
Offering Tellers	Phyllis Hefler, Kevin Kreider (8:00) Debbie Dawson, Lori Fain (10:45)
Church Prep	Bill Lawson
Fellowship Host	Karen Brodbeck
Parking Assts.	Josh Hanford, Harry Zernechel (8:00), John Maxwell, Charlie Lantz (10:45)
Safety Stewards	Rob Caudill, Brian Hennig, (8:00), Roger Reed (10:45)
Welcome Center	Sandy and Robert Thompson (8:00), Susan Truchses
Nursery Attendants:	Carol Drown, Aiden Kouse(7:45) Carol Drown (9:00) Amy Noyes, Shawn Nestor, Kate Raines
*Team Leader	



GRACE STAFF

Daniel M. Powell, Senior Pastor
Thomas M. Brodbeck, Associate Pastor
Barbara Blackburn, Director - Sanctuary, Handbell, and Handchime Choirs
Carol Drown, Nursery Attendant
Bev Kaech, Coordinator of Worship Music & Arts, Principal Organist
Darla Kalifoot, Church Administrator
Janet Rice, Director of Lay Ministry
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