

**Baptism of Our Lord
January 8, 2023—8:30am**



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Our Mission Statement:

We are a community of believers in Christ called to be servants to all people.

Page numbers (p.) are in front half of the hymnal.
Hymn numbers (#) are in back half of the hymnal.
Everyone is invited to join in **bolded responses**.
+ Please stand as you are able.

+ Gathering +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

“Do You Hear What I Hear” *arr. Chip Davis*

+ Confession and Forgiveness

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Blessed be the holy Trinity, **+** one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One, source of our renewal, **we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Thus says our God: “The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare.” God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of **+** Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

+ Gathering Song

“Baptized”

Refrain: Baptized into the death of Christ and raised again to new life.
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Down, down, down, I was sinking deep in sin; killing me, killing me from deep within. He put me to death that day and the fam'ly of God stood up to say: 1 – 2 – 3

Down, down, down in the water, down I went; lifted up in a brand new covenant. They made a sign on my brow and I'll do it again to remember now. 1 – 2 – 3

Sing, sing, sing, to the ones who have not heard. We've been washed in the water and the Word. We'll sing with every breath. We will share His life like we've shared His death. 1–2–3

+ Prayer of the Day

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+ Word +

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Bell Choir

“Carol of the Bells” *arr. by Kristine Johaneck*

First Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

Second Reading

Acts 10:34-43

+ Gospel Acclamation

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+ Gospel Reading

Matthew 3:13-17

Young at Heart Message & Sermon

The Rev. Jean Bozeman

+ Song of the Day

“Child of the Water”

Refrain: You're a child of the water, child of the word,
Guided by promise and stories you've heard.
God of the wounded knows you by name and carries you
home ev'ryday.

From your first breath to the last step, all of the dance;
Down deep in your laughter, whatever your fears, try to remember ...

Life is a gift, time carries on, and you will grow;
Amidst your believing and throughout your doubt, something is - sure...

We journey together as children of God, sealed by the - cross...

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Installation of 2023 Leaders

+ Nicene Creed

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+ Prayers of Intercession

sung refrain: “Lord, Be Glorified”

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

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+ Peace

+Meal+

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

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*Checks can also be sent to church:
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+ Offering Prayer

+ Great Thanksgiving

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+ Thanksgiving at the Table

+ Lord's Prayer

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+ Invitation to Communion

Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace

When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.

Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors. If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.

Communion Song

“Agnus Dei”

Alleluia, Alleluia, for the Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia, Alleluia, for the Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia.

Holy, holy are You, Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the lamb; Worthy is the Lamb. You are holy, holy are You, Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb. Amen.

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+Sending+

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

Announcements

+ Sending Hymn

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+ Dismissal

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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