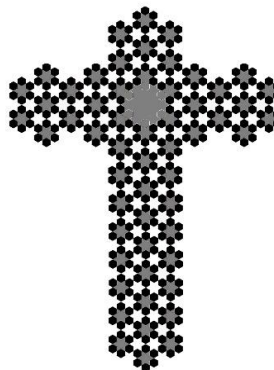


# THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 7, 2024

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite II



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## WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

**Restrooms:** Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

**We have gluten-free wafers available:** Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

**Standing, sitting, and kneeling:** Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

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**A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave quietly and reverently and silence your phones.**

Most of the sung music is found in the blue hymnal, *The Hymnal, 1982*. In the bulletin, an "H" indicates the hymn section of the book; an "S" indicates it's from the service music section in the front of the book.

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

### VOLUNTARY

Two Settings on “How Brightly Shines the Morning Star”

Paul Manz (1919-2009)

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

*[During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ENTRANCE HYMN H-76

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

WINCHESTER NEW

**On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry announces that the Lord is nigh;  
awake and hearken, for he brings glad tidings of the King of kings.**

**Then cleansed be every breast from sin; make straight the way for God within,  
and let each heart prepare a home where such a mighty guest may come.**

**For thou art our salvation, Lord, our refuge, and our great reward;  
without thy grace we waste away like flow'rs that wither and decay.**

**To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and bid the fallen sinner stand;  
shine forth, and let thy light restore earth's own true loveliness once more.**

**All praise, eternal Son, to thee, whose advent doth thy people free;  
whom with the Father we adore and Holy Spirit evermore.**

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*All* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS S-280

Robert Powell

1. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
2. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
4. you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

5. you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
 6. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
 7. you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
 in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray... 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.

*All* **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

*The people sit.*

### THE FIRST READING

Genesis 1:1-5

*Lector* *The First Reading is taken from Genesis chapter 1...*

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.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 29

EBENEZER

*(all singing)*

**All on earth and all in heaven, raise to God a song on high;  
 strength unmeasured, love unbounded, God alone we glorify.  
 At God's voice the clouds assemble, thunder roars and torrents fall;  
 earth shall quake before God's presence, mountains tremble at God's call.**

**Trees shall bow in awe and wonder, bend their branches to the ground;  
 from God's lips one word in anger wreaks destruction all around.  
 But the Word which sets in motion such travails can make them cease;  
 that same voice which tumult beckons in a gentler breath speaks peace.**

## THE SECOND READING

Acts 19:1-7

*Lector*        *The Second Reading is taken from Acts chapter 19....*

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.

*Lector*        **The Word of the Lord.**

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand as able.*

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

*(all singing)*

**At the font we start our journey, in the Easter faith baptized;  
doubts and fears no longer blind us,  
by the light of Christ surprised. Alleluia, alleluia!  
Hope held out and realized.**

## THE GOSPEL

Mark 1:4-11

*Deacon*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Deacon*        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.”

*Deacon*        The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON** *The people sit.*

The Rev. Whitney Burton

**NICENE CREED** *All stand as able.*

*People*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.  
AMEN.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.*

*Deacon*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Lector*

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

*Lector*

Lord, in your mercy

*People*

**Hear our prayer.**

*Lector*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

*Lector*

Lord, in your mercy

*People*

**Hear our prayer.**

*Lector*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give thanks for the flowers given to the Glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of Richard Harvey, Vic Howarth, Dominic DiRienz, Debra Mackay, Emily Mackay, Indra Eldridge, Jim Groff, and the anniversary of Marc & Mary Ann Wigmore.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially . . . [*add names from notebook*] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [*leave time*], give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Lector* We commend to your mercy all who have died, (especially . . . [*add names from notebook*]) and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [*leave time*] that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*Lector* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION:

*Please kneel or stand as able.*

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*Silence is kept.*)

*People* **Most merciful God,**  
**we confess that we have sinned against you**  
**in thought, word, and deed,**  
**by what we have done,**  
**and by what we have left undone.**  
**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**  
**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**  
**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**  
**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**  
**have mercy on us and forgive us;**  
**that we may delight in your will,**  
**and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. AMEN.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*All* **Amen.**

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

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

*People* **And also with you.**

*All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Please be seated.*

### OFFERTORY

Come, Dove of Heaven, Breath of Peace

Mark A. Miller  
Choir

### THE PRESENTATION

*All stand as able.*

*Deacon* We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

### PRESENTATION HYMN

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**  
**Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!**  
**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**  
**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**  
**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Celebrant adds a proper preface.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

*All*

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is My Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All* **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.



All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*People*        **Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant*     And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People*        **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, for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.*

### **THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-154**

David Hurd

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
therefore let us keep the feast.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Celebrant*     The Gifts of God for the People of God.

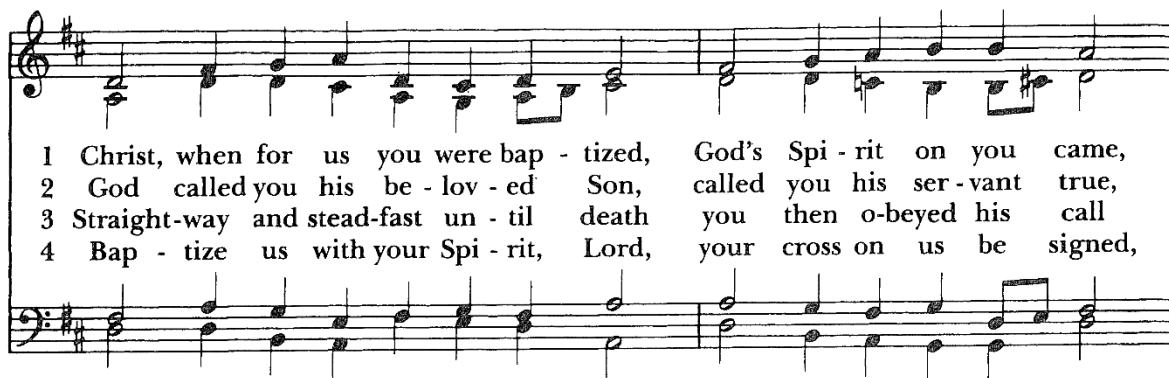
*All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the Chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.*

*If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.*

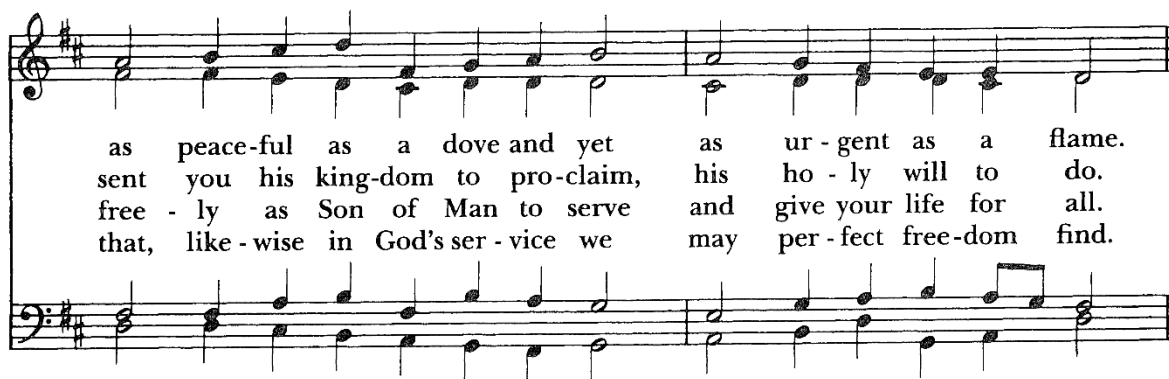
### **COMMUNION**

Shall We Gather at the River

arr. Robert A. Hobby



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,  
 2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,  
 3 Straight-way and stead-fast un - til death you then o-beyed his call  
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,



as peace-ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.  
 sent you his king-dom to pro-claim, his ho - ly will to do.  
 free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.  
 that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free-dom find.

### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant* Let us pray...

*All* 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

#### THE SENDING HYMN H-448

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

(stanzas 1,2,3,6)

DEUS MORUM MILITUM

O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing thought and fantasy,  
 that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake!

For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore;  
 for us temptations sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.

For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his daily works he wrought:  
by words and signs and actions, thus still seeking not himself, but us.

All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad;  
the Trinity whom we adore for ever and for evermore.

### THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### VOLUNTARY

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

J. Wayne Kerr

### SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Deacon	The Rev. Cindy Roehl
Organist/Choirmaster	Tom Huffman
Crucifer/Server	Laurie Toohey
Torch/Chalicians	Dan Depies & Andrea Zahn
Lectors	Nels & Judith Auger
Prayers of the People	Sally Miller
Ushers	Steve and Caroline Maisel
Building & Grounds	Pat Cates
Welcome Table	Carol Beauchamp, Hilda Myers, MaryJane Zimbardi

### Prayers are requested for:

**The Week of Dec 31** – Helen Marie, Jeanne, Bill GW, Deborah B, Milly L, Bob S, Colette S, Olena & family, Bonnie L, Dianna S, Vanessa E, Lou E, Richard, Marylynne J, Maggie, Dianne, Butch, Ruthe F, Larry & Beverly, Tim E.

**Celebrations this week: Birthdays** – Richard Harvey, Vic Howarth, Dominic DiRienz, Debra Mackay, Emily Mackay, Indra Eldridge, and Jim Groff.

**Anniversaries** – Marc & Mary Ann Wigmore.

## Announcements

**Rector's Discretionary Fund:** All loose offerings given the first week each month are earmarked to assist individuals and families in the Dunedin and Clearwater area in affording utility costs. Please contact the office or visit [cogsdunedin.com/rectors-discretionary-fund](http://cogsdunedin.com/rectors-discretionary-fund) for more information.

**Furniture Thrift Store Annual Meeting:** Please join us after the 10 AM service on Jan 14 for the FTS annual meeting in Kirk Hall.

**Soul Sisters:** The Soul Sisters monthly meeting will take place on January 20 at 9:30 AM in Kirk Hall. Rebecca Lett Adams of the Homeless Empowerment Program will be our guest speaker. All women of the parish are invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

**Newcomer' Welcome Reception:** If you've recently begun attending services or have not attended a reception in the past for newcomers, we invite you to stay after the 10 AM service on Jan 21 for some fellowship and pizza as we spend time together.

**United Faiths Walk of Peace:** Meet at Pioneer Park on Jan 28 @ 2 PM. Donations will be accepted for Dunedin Cares & Clothes to Kids, and we will sell t-shirts after both services. See COGS website for more info.

**Parish Annual Meeting:** Save the date for the annual meeting on Feb 11. Along with reports and recognitions, we will be electing new Vestry Members, Endowment Board Members, and delegates to the Diocesan Convention. If you are interested in running for any of these offices, you can find more information about requirements and submitting your candidate information on our website. Deadline to submit candidate info is Jan 26.

**Philadelphia Eleven Film Screening:** Limited release documentary screening at Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd on Saturday, February 24, 2024, at 1 PM. Screening is free, but advanced registration is required. Visit <https://www.cogsdunedin.com/phil11> to register.

**2024 Giving Envelopes:** are located in Kirk Hall. Please stop by to pick yours up if you requested them.