

**WORSHIP THE LORD WITH GLADNESS!**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 2021**

**5:00 pm**

**Greetings and Opening Prayer**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN: LSB 394 vs. 1, 2, 3, 5 "Songs of Thankfulness & Praise"**

**Invocation**

**The Confession**

P: Dearly beloved, let us confess our sins to God our Father.

**ALL:** Most Merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

**The Absolution**

**The Kyrie** – spoken

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

(be seated)

**The Gloria: LSB Hymn 790** (vs. 1 & 2) "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

**The Salutation:**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 1:1-5**

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup> Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. <sup>3</sup> And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup> God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**THE EPISTLE: Romans 6:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? <sup>2</sup> By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? <sup>3</sup> Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> 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. <sup>5</sup> If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. <sup>6</sup> For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— <sup>7</sup> because anyone who has died has been freed from sin. <sup>8</sup> Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. <sup>10</sup> The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

(stand)

**GOSPEL HYMN: LSB 405 vs. 1-4 "To Jordan's River Came Our Lord"**

**The GOSPEL: Mark 1:4-11**

P: The Gospel according to St. Mark the first chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

(sit)

<sup>4</sup> And so John came, baptizing in the desert region and preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup> The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. <sup>6</sup> John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup> And this was his message: "After me will come one more powerful than I, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie.

<sup>8</sup> I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." <sup>9</sup> At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup> As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup> And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**The Nicene Creed**

**The Offering - LSB 397 vs. 1, 3 "As with Gladness, Men of Old"**

(stand)

**The Prayers**

**Admonition to Communicants**

P: I exhort you in Christ that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the words with which Christ presents his body and blood to us for forgiveness; that you take note of and give thanks for the boundless love that he showed us when he saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by his blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, his

body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in his name, according to his command, and with his own words administer and receive the Testament.

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Words of Institution**

**The Peace**

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

**C: And also with you.**

**Sanctus Hymn:** LSB 940 (vv.1, 2) "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

(be seated)

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

**LSB 412 "The People That in Darkness Sat"**

**LSB 400 "Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning"**

(stand)

**Post Communion Collect**

**The Benediction**

**CLOSING HYMN:** LSB 785 "We Praise You, O God"

**Silent Prayer & Announcements**