



**The Baptism of Our Lord**

**January 13, 2019**

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**OPENING HYMN:** *“Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure”* # 533

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**FIRST READING:** *Isaiah 43:1-3a*

But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called *you* by your name; You *are* Mine. <sup>2</sup> When you pass through the waters, I *will be* with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, Nor shall the flame scorch you. <sup>3</sup> For I *am* the LORD your God, The Holy One of Israel, your Savior;

**SECOND READING:** *Romans 6:1-11*

What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup> Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? <sup>3</sup> Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? <sup>4</sup> Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. <sup>5</sup> For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be *in the likeness* of His resurrection, <sup>6</sup> knowing this, that our old man was crucified with *Him*, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. <sup>7</sup> For he who has died has been freed from sin. <sup>8</sup> Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, <sup>9</sup> knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. <sup>10</sup> For *the death* that He died, He died to sin once for all; but *the life* that He lives, He lives to God. <sup>11</sup> Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**GOSPEL READING:** *Luke 3:15-22*

<sup>15</sup> Now as the people were in expectation, and all reasoned in their hearts about John, whether he was the Christ *or* not, <sup>16</sup> John answered, saying to all, “I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup> His winnowing fan *is* in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather the wheat into His barn; but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire.” <sup>18</sup> And with many other exhortations he preached to the people. <sup>19</sup> But Herod the tetrarch, being rebuked by him concerning Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done, <sup>20</sup> also added this, above all, that he shut John up in prison. <sup>21</sup> When all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also was baptized; and while He prayed, the heaven was opened. <sup>22</sup> And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, “You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased.”  
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IN OUR PRAYERS:

**Hospice:** Laverne Blowers, Betty Jo Schuette

**Hospitalized:** Sam Andrist (grandson to Mark and Joan Manthe), Lois Schultz

**Injury:** Kip Boese (son of Helen Boese)

**Thanksgiving & Continued Recovery:** Gary Schwarz (friend of Anita Nelson family)

**Treatment:** Brian Schroeder

**Prayers for those who are sick and/or in need and wish to remain unnamed.**

**All the service men & women who are serving in the military:** Jacob Claybaugh, Michael Frank (Marines), Jordan Labiack (Air Force), TSgt Jacob Lemmen (Air Force), Lt. Col. Aaron & Lt. Col. Sarah Lenz (Marines), Jason Paschall (Navy), Major David Reinsbach (Army National Guard), Sergeant Kylie Schram (Marines)

**Waseca Circuit Missionaries:** Rev. Edward Naumann & Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

- **Nursery available:** For families with small children, there is a designated room in the basement (down the hall, on the right, from the youth room). You will find a changing table, crib, a few books and toys. Please feel free to use anytime during the worship service. During Sunday School and Bible Class there will be someone there to help with your child so you may attend the Adult Bible Class.
- **Preparing for Holy Communion:** To assist our time of preparation, prayers are located in the front cover and on pages 329-330 of your hymnal. Both individual cups and the common cup are offered on both sides. For anyone with alcohol concerns, diluted cups are located in the center of the tray. Gluten free communion wafers are available upon request.
- **Radio Broadcast:** Today’s broadcast (K0WZ 1170 AM or 106.3 FM) is dedicated to the glory of God.
- **Lutheran Hour:** The Lutheran Hour can be heard on radio stations WCCO 830AM, Sunday, 6:00 AM; KJLY, 104.5 FM, Blue Earth, Sunday, 6:00 PM; and KDHL920 AM, Faribault, Sunday, 6:00 PM.
- **Sunday School:** Today in Sunday School, the children learn the story of “Jesus Changes Water into Wine” at the wedding in Cana. Through His first miracle, Jesus revealed Himself to be true God. God uses His Word and physical means –water, bread, and wine—to reveal to us that Jesus is our Savior. Discuss the story with your children: “How we are like the disciples, not sure just who Jesus is? How do we sometimes doubt Him and His Word?”

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### The Lord’s Supper


- ✠ We believe, teach, and confess in accordance with Holy Scripture that the Lord's Supper is a precious gift from God, in which Christ gives us His true body and blood, in, with, and under the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith.
- ✠ The Bible teaches that this sacrament may also be spiritually harmful when misused, (*For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord’s body. For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep. 1 Corinthians 11:26-30*)
- ✠ The Lord’s Supper is a testimony of the unity in faith. We ask that only those who have been instructed and who are in fellowship with the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod come with a contrite and joyful heart to the Lord’s Table. (**Acts 2:42** *And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers*)
- ✠ Any guest wishing to receive communion here at St. Paul Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor or the Elder on duty, prior to the church service.

*“The mission of St. Paul Lutheran Church is to provide opportunities through which everyone might be made aware of their Savior Jesus Christ, nurture a strong foundation of faith, and receive the Sacrament regularly as directed by our Savior, Jesus Christ.”*

**WELCOME! WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!** If you are a visitor, we look forward to visiting with you today and in the near future. Please write your name, address, and phone number in the black soul care book (located in the pew). We invite you to fellowship, coffee, and treats following the worship service. Sunday school begins at 10:15 a.m. and Bible study begins at 10:30 a.m.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. **2019 Offering Envelopes:** The offering envelopes for 2019 are available in the back of the church.
2.  **Quarterly Voters Meeting:** The Quarterly Voters' Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> @ 11:15 a.m. in the parish hall.  
The meeting agenda is as follows: Board Reports
3. **Women's Bible Study:** If one of your New Year's goals is to be in God's Word more often, we welcome you to join our women's Bible study group that meets from 9:30 to 10:30 AM two Wednesdays a month. In January, we plan to meet January 16 and January 30. We meet in the old parish hall at the north end of the basement. We will be continuing with a DVD series called Life and Ministry of the Messiah. Consider joining us.

4.  *I would like to thank everyone for all the get well cards, gifts, and for the food brought in during my recovery period.*  
*Sincerely, Esther Dietrich*

5.  Thank you to all of our volunteers who donated their time to help with the community-wide Christmas Dinner.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:

6. **Donations Needed:** The church is accepting donations to cover the cost of replacing the outdated Electronic Piano with a more current version. The cost is \$2,624.00 *\*\*Please designate as “Electronic Piano” on envelope/donation\*\**  
*Donations received to-date = \$1,575      Still needed = \$1,049*
7. **Movie Event @ St. Paul:** Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. we will be watching “Why Creation Is Important” by Brian Young. This is a free event and we will be serving munchies and water for everyone. Please let your friends and family know and invite them to join us all. If you have questions, please call Debbie Roemhildt at (507) 835-3108.

