



# CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA

*"Helping others receive grace, purpose and direction by proclaiming Christ's love."*

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**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**January 12, 2020**

## Baptism of Our Lord

**Prayer Before Worship:** Send down your Holy Spirit, O God—tear open the veil of heaven and speak to us as beloved children so that we may hear and believe the good news of your Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(In preparation for our worship together, you are invited to take a moment of silence to offer your own prayers of worship and praise.)*

**KEY:** ELW and any page number = Worship hymnal (cranberry),  
OSB = Other Song Book (red), W&P = Worship & Praise (purple).

\* Indicates please stand if able. Congregational responses are printed in **BOLD** type.

**A Warm Welcome** to all as we gather as God's people to worship our Lord. We pray our worship together would strengthen your faith and desire to know and serve the One who loves us with an everlasting love as made known to us in Jesus Christ.

***Visitors**, we are especially glad to have you worshiping with us today.*

*Please join us in the reception area after worship for coffee and fellowship.*

**Worship Information Cards:** Everyone is invited to fill out a Worship Information card as you enter so that we know you are here, will be communion today or if you have a prayer request you would like us to include during worship today. Once you have filled out the card, please pass them to the inside aisle for the ushers to pick up. Thanks!

### Prelude Music

### Welcome and Announcements

## ‡WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS‡

### Call to Worship

The heavens open. The Spirit descends.

**Jesus emerges from the water.**

And a voice echoes through the blue expanse.

**"You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well-pleased."**

Jesus is named. Claimed.

**We, too, come to the water. We remember we are named. Claimed.**

Can it be so? What a thing to be named. Claimed.

**Let us worship the one who names and claims us still. Amen.**

Hymn: "We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus"

ELW #451

### **\*Thanksgiving for Baptism**

*(All may make the sign of the cross ✠ the sign marked at baptism, as we begin)*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

**Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

*(Water is poured into the font as the congregation gives thanks)*

Blessed are you, O God, maker and ruler of all things. Your voice thundered over the waters at creation. You water the mountains and send springs into the valleys to refresh and satisfy all living things.

**Through the waters of the flood you carried those in the ark to safety. You led your people Israel from slavery to freedom. In the wilderness you nourished them with water from the rock, and you brought them across the river Jordan to the Promised Land.**

By the baptism of his death and resurrection, your Son Jesus has carried us to safety and freedom. The floods shall not overwhelm us, and the deep shall not swallow us up, for Christ has brought us over to the land of promise. He sends us to make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Pour out your Holy Spirit; wash away sin in this cleansing water; clothe the baptized with Christ; and claim your daughters and sons, no longer slave and free, no longer male and female, but one with all the baptized in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**\*Glory to God**

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### **\*Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

Holy God,

**creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the waters.**

**Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**‡GOD'S WORD SPEAKS TO US‡**

**First Reading: Genesis 1:1-5**

**Pew Bible p. 1, Old Testament**

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 29**

**Read Responsively**

<sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup>**Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendor.**

<sup>3</sup>The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders,  
the LORD, over mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup>**The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.**

<sup>5</sup>The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

<sup>6</sup>**He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

<sup>7</sup>The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

<sup>8</sup>**The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

<sup>9</sup>The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl,  
and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

<sup>10</sup>**The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.**

<sup>11</sup>May the LORD give strength to his people!  
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

**Second Reading: Acts 19:1-7**

**Pew Bible p. 139, New Testament**

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel Verse**

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**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**\*Gospel: Mark 1:4-20**

**Pew Bible p. 34-5, New Testament**

*Response after the announcement of the gospel:*  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Response after the gospel reading:*  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Kids Sermon**

**Angie Hinze**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Sheryl**

*(Silence for Reflection and Meditation.)*

**✠WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD✠**

**\*Hymn: "Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters"**

**ELW #445**

**\*Profession of Faith: The Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*Prayers of the Church:**

*Each petition ends with:*

God of blessing...**hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude with:*

...in the name of our savior Jesus. **Amen.**

**\*Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(You are invited to share the peace of Christ with one another.)*

**Offering**

**Offertory: "In His Hands"**

**Choir**

**\*Offering Prayer**

Gracious God,

**As the disciples left everything of value they had to follow Jesus, so give us perspective on how we manage our possessions, and how we offer our lives in your service. Bless the gifts we have given as a sign of our willingness to follow in their footsteps, for the sake of the one who gave everything for our sakes, Jesus Christ, our savior. Amen.**

**†HOLY COMMUNION†**

**\*The Great Thanksgiving**

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**\*Holy, Holy, Holy...**

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

**\*Words of Institution**

**\*The Lord's Prayer**

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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,  
forever, and ever. Amen.

**\*Invitation to Communion**

God has blessed us and called us his own. Now come to his table of grace, that you might be fed and strengthened for the ministry he has in store to you. **Amen.**

**"Lamb of God"** (sung)

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**Distribution of Communion:**

Christ is truly present in the Lord's Supper with gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation.

**All are welcome and invited to receive Holy Communion.**

*(Communion will be served continuously at two stations in the front of the church.*

*WHITE GRAPE JUICE and GLUTEN FREE WAFERS are available. Just ask the server.*

*Children who are not yet communicants are invited to come forward for a blessing.)*

**Distribution Music**

Rhonda Boettcher

**\*Post-Communion Blessing**

**\*Post-Communion Prayer**

Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**‡WE DEPART TO SERVE‡**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Sending Song: "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"**

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**\*Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve our Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

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### JANUARY FOOD DONATIONS REQUESTED

**FOOD PANTRY:** household items (laundry soap, dish soap, toilet paper, paper towels, household cleaners, etc.) and can openers

**BACKPACKS:** 16 oz. peanut butter (in plastic)



## Fighting Malaria



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### **WOMEN OF THE ELCA JANUARY MISSION PROJECT:**

The WELCA mission project for January and February will be the ELCA Malaria Campaign. Just \$10 can purchase a treated mosquito net, \$50 provides medicine for 25 people, and \$100 trains a village health team. Make donations in the tan "designated giving" envelopes and mark them for WELCA.

## ‡In Our Thoughts and Prayers‡

Prayers for healing: **Candy** (chemo--friend of Susan Martin), **Beth Janecek** (recovering), **Neal Blomenkamp** (recovering), **Barry Bassett** (recovering), **Elnora Sell** (recovering), **Virginia Pickett** (recovering), **Deanna Zweifel** (recovering), **Michael Dietrich** (friend of Dave & Penny Stevens), **Julie** (cancer treatment--Travis Miller family), **Barb** (cancer--Marlene Downer's sister-in-law), **Ella** (Andi Dorn's friend), **Sean Woodral** (recovering), **Joan** (cancer--niece of Marj Nikont), **Patty** (cancer--Jim Dorn's sister-in-law), **Judy Lueningborg** (recovering--Deanna Zweifel's sister-in-law), **Kevin Feil** (healing--Melissa Guerrero's father), **Bonnie Noble** (Leah Nikont's mother), **Jeanette Chasek** (knee surgery).

Prayers for comfort: family of **Dale Schmidt** (Carol Bosshardt's father) upon his death



### **BIBLE STUDIES RESUME**

Sunday morning, 9 a.m. @ church

Tuesday morning, 8:30 a.m., men's group @ church

Tuesday noon, women's group @ church

Tuesday evening, 7 p.m. @ church

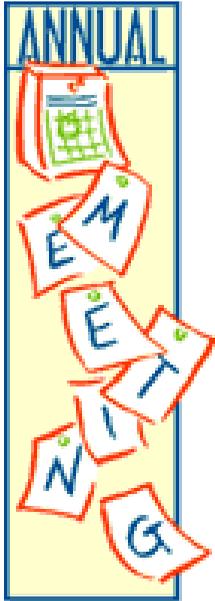
Thursday evening, 6:45 p.m. @ Steeles'



*Duane Aschenbrenner, 1/17; Barb Jensen, 1/18;*

*Penny Stevens, 1/19*

*If we have missed your birthday, please let the office know. Thanks.*



## Reminders:

**January 9 – Annual Reports**

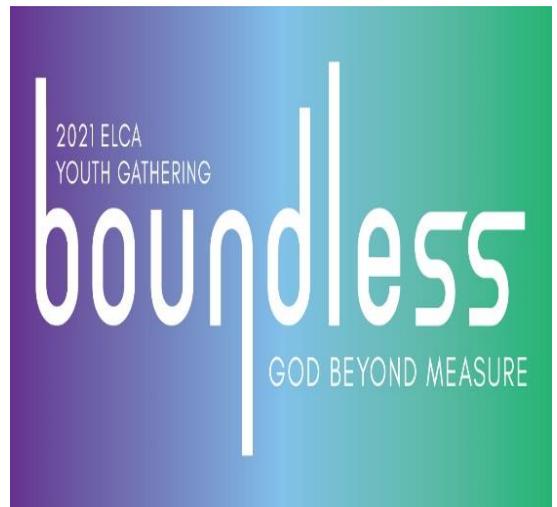
**January 13 – Council Meeting**

**January 19 – Budget Forum**

**January 26 – Annual Meeting**

KID AND PARENT  
MEETING  
TODAY!

Sunday, January 12  
11 to 1 following worship  
For youth grades 8 – 12.



## WORSHIP LEADERS

**This Sunday – January 12**

**Pastors Chris and Sheryl Kester Beyer**

**USHERS:** Monty & Shari Copsey

**LAY READER:** Susan Martin

**COMMUNION ASSTS:** Bill Huelle, Jeannie Stormoe, Fran Johnson

**POWERPOINT:** Kierra Miller

**ACOLYTE:** Josh Miller

**ALTAR GUILD:** Angela Bonow, Andi Dorn, Carmen Kleager, Shelly Koehler, Jessica Laughlin

**ORGANIST:** Rhonda Boettcher

**COFFEE SET UP: Volunteer today!**

**HOSPITALITY: Volunteer today!**

**Next Sunday – January 19**

**USHERS:** Kent & Dawn Holub

**LAY READER:** Angie Hinze

**COMMUNION ASSTS:** Dennis Gorr, Deb Brown, Nannie Walsh

**POWERPOINT:** Jensen Bedlan

**ACOLYTE:** Ayden Tompkins

**ALTAR GUILD:** Barb Jensen, Maunette Loeks, Abby Newsom, Nannie Walsh

**PIANIST:** Dee Brady

**COFFEE SET UP: Volunteer today!**

**HOSPITALITY:** Kathy Randall

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday, January 12**

9 a.m. – Adult Study

10 a.m. – Worship

**Monday, January 13**

6 p.m. – Council

**Tuesday, January 14**

8:30 a.m. – Men's Study

9 a.m. – Esther Circle

Noon – Women's Study

1 p.m. – Quilting

7 p.m. – Bible study

**Wednesday, January 15**

6 p.m. – JAM

6 p.m. – Confirmation

7 p.m. – Choir Practice

7 p.m. -- Parish Ed

**Thursday, January 16**

1:30 p.m. – Parkinson's Support

6 p.m. – Council Dinner

6:45 p.m. – Bible Study @ Steeles

**Saturday, January 18**

9 a.m. – Trustees

5:30 p.m. – Worship

**Sunday, January 19**

9 a.m. – **Budget Forum**

10 a.m. – Worship

## Jesus' Ministry Begins

January 12, 2020



Jesus is baptized and declared to be God's beloved Son; with whom he is well pleased. Following a time of temptation in the desert, Jesus begins his public ministry. In Galilee, Jesus proclaims, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." God's kingdom is the core of the good news that Jesus has brought us. This kingdom is not a place inasmuch as an existence, life lived in God's will, God's reign. We pray for the coming of this kingdom each time we pray the Lord's Prayer.

### Daily Bible Readings @ Home

**Sunday – Read Mark 1:4-11** Jesus is baptized and hears God's word of blessing and love. Reflect on how baptism is a pronouncement of God's love and blessing upon God's children. If you are not baptized, consider talking to your pastor about being baptized.

**Monday – Read Mark 1:14-20** Jesus ministry begins with Jesus proclaiming God's kingdom has come near. Discuss what you think it means that God's kingdom has come near? How would really believing that change how you live?

**Tuesday – Read Mark 1:40-45** Jesus heals a man with leprosy. Say a prayer for someone who needs to know God's healing presence and then send them a thinking of you or praying for you card.

**Wednesday – Read Mark 2:13-17** Jesus eats with tax collectors and sinners. Jesus calls all sorts of people to be his followers. Everyone is welcome at God's table. Next time you are at church, be deliberate about reaching out and welcoming someone outside your normal circle of friends.

**Thursday – Read Mark 2:23-28** Jesus says that the 'sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath.' What do you think Jesus means? How do you keep the Sabbath day holy?

**Friday – Read Mark 3:1-6** Jesus heals on the Sabbath demonstrating God's concern for people over against laws. Discuss if there is ever a time when breaking a law might be justified. Then pray for someone who is in need.

**Saturday – Read Mark 3:13-20** Jesus appointed the twelve disciples. What does it take to be a disciple of Jesus? Make a list, then pray for help in being a disciple of Jesus, using your list as a guide.