

PRELUDE

Nazareth - Charles-François Gounod (1818-1893)

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Water! Water! We praise You, O God, for water—the Fox, Rock, Illinois and Mississippi Rivers, the rain that nourishes animals and plants, the water for drinking and bathing.

We praise You, O God, for water. **We praise You, O God, for water.**

We praise You, O God, for our water stories—a flood that cleaned the earth, the sea that drowned the enemy, a river that healed leprosy.

We praise You, O God, for water. **We praise You, O God, for water.**

We remember the waters of Jesus—baptized in the Jordan River, calming the Sea of Galilee, drinking from Jacob's Well, healing at the pool of Bethesda, washing the disciples' feet.

We praise You, O God, for water. **We praise You, O God, for water.**

We praise You, O God, for this font, for through this water You have birthed us into the family of Christ, bathed us in forgiveness, and enlivened us in the Spirit.

We praise You, O God, for water. **We praise You, O God, for water.**

O God, You are the Ocean, sustaining this earth. O God, You are the River, saving us from death. O God, you are the Fountain, granting us health and well-being. We praise You, O God, today, tomorrow, forever. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Almighty God, **You anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as Your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

ACCLAMATION

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Michelle Lata

READING: Isaiah 43:1-7

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Trudy Stoffel

OFFERING

Through your donations we are able to support the ministries of GLC including snow removal.

*We give 10 percent of all offerings away to support our community locally, nationally and internationally. There are many ways you can give—place your offering in the plate at the back, put a check in the mail, text: 630-528-2407 with a dollar amount or give **online**.*

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Joyce Elliott, flute

OFFERING PRAYER

Your church is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them, even if they don't look like pews.

It will do great work, if I work. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will be a place of forgiveness and grace, if I forgive and receive forgiveness. It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, here and online, if I invite and bring them. It will be a church where people grow in faith and serve you, if I am open to such growth and service. Therefore, with your help Lord, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things you want your church to be. Amen.

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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come again 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 After each petition: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

PEACE

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

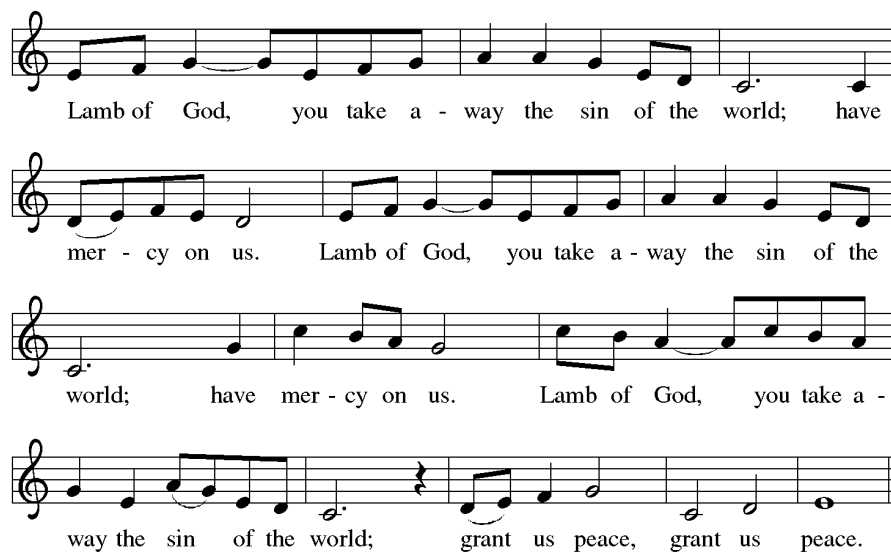
**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;**

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.**

COMMUNION
LAMB OF GOD

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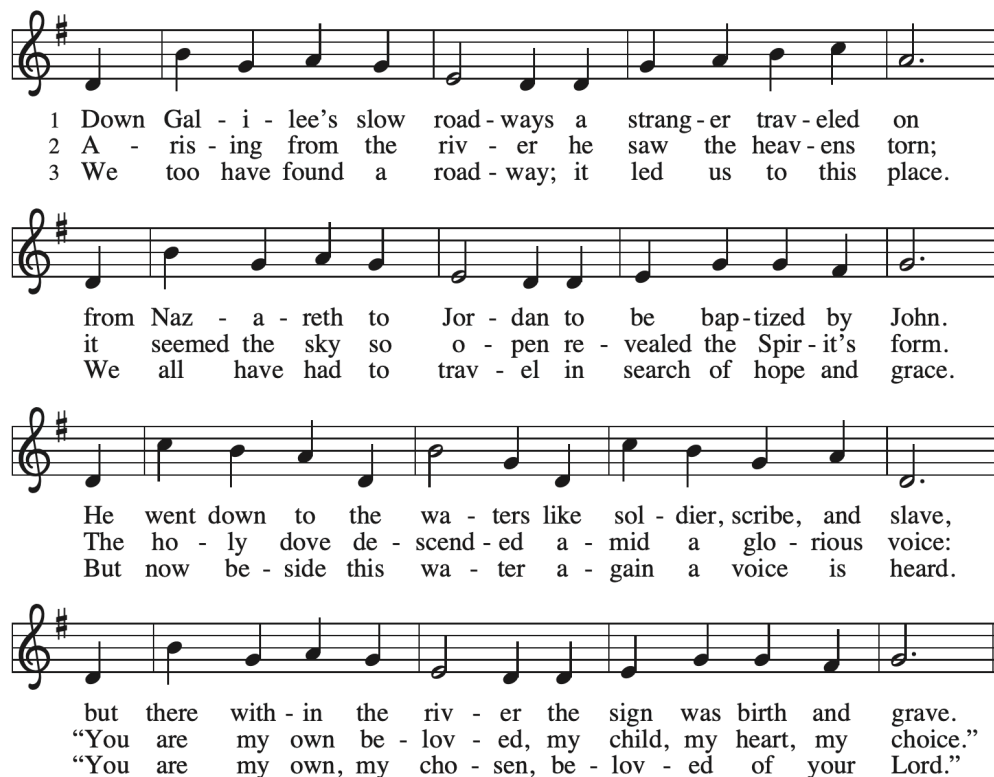


Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

“Down Galilee’s Slow Roadways”

ACS, #916



1 Down Gal - i - lee's slow road - ways a strang - er trav - eled on
2 A - ris - ing from the riv - er he saw the heav - ens torn;
3 We too have found a road - way; it led us to this place.
from Naz - a - reth to Jor - dan to be bap - tized by John.
it seemed the sky so o - pen re - vealed the Spir - it's form.
We all have had to trav - el in search of hope and grace.
He went down to the wa - ters like sol - dier, scribe, and slave,
The ho - ly dove de - scend - ed a - mid a glo - rious voice:
But now be - side this wa - ter a - gain a voice is heard.
but there with - in the riv - er the sign was birth and grave.
“You are my own be - lov - ed, my child, my heart, my choice.”
“You are my own, my cho - sen, be - lov - ed of your Lord.”

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PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who called you by name, ☩ bless your going out and your coming in today and forever. **Amen.**

HYMN

“Crashing Waters at Creation”

ELW, #455



1 Crash - ing wa - ters at cre - a - tion, or - dered by the Spir - it's breath,
2 Part - ing wa - ter stood and trem - bled as the cap - tives passed on through,
3 Cleans - ing wa - ter once at Jor - dan closed a - round the one fore - told,
4 Liv - ing wa - ter, nev - er end - ing, quench the thirst and flood the soul.



first to wit - ness day's be - gin - ning from the bright - ness of night's death.
wash - ing off the chains of bond - age— chan - nel to a life made new.
o - pened to re - veal the glo - ry ev - er new and ev - er old.
Well - spring, source of life e - ter - nal, drench our dry - ness, make us whole.

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DISMISSAL

Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Consecration - Roger C. Wilson (1912-1988)