



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH GREENCASTLE, PA

“Sharing Christ in Word and Deed”

January 8, 2012

11 am

The Baptism of our Lord

The Rev. William DeHass, Pastor
Dale Thatcher, Usher
Donna Wolfe, Communion Assistant
Music by Trinity’s Praise Band

- **WE WELCOME ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE THIS DAY!** If you are visiting with us, we are honored by your presence. We encourage you to complete the Welcome envelope located in the pew rack and place in the offering plate. If you are seeking a church home, please speak with the Pastor.
- Holy Communion is celebrated in this morning's worship. Our Lord invites to this table all baptized Christians. Young children should follow the practice of their home congregation. Come forward by the center aisle receive bread from the Pastor, dip the bread into the chalice held by the Worship Assistant, then partake of the bread.
- Persons or concerns may be added to today's prayers by filling out a prayer request card located in the pew racks. The prayer cards will be collected before the scripture reading.

GATHERING SONG - Holy Spirit Rain Down

Holy Spirit rain down, rain down
 O Comforter and Friend
 How we need Your touch again
 Holy Spirit rain down, rain down

No eye has seen
 No ear has heard
 No mind can know
 What God has in store
 So open up heaven
 Open it wide
 Over Your church
 And over our lives

Let Your power fall
 Let Your voice be heard
 Come and change our hearts
 As we stand on Your Word
 Holy Spirit rain down, rain down

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Better Is One Day

How lovely is Your dwelling place
O Lord Almighty
For my soul longs
And even faints for You
For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

Better is one day in Your courts
Better is one day in Your house
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere

One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place
Your glory dwells

My heart and flesh cry out for You
The living God
Your Spirit's water to my soul
I've tasted and I've seen
Come once again to me
I will draw near to You
I will draw near to You to You

Better is one day better is one day
Better is one day than thousands
Elsewhere (*repeat*)

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Arms Of My Father

There is a place that I know
Where I need more often to go
A place of amazing comfort and rest
Where a smile is never rare
And love is as free as the air
And I lack for nothing
When I can see the love in Your eyes
And know that it's all for me

I fear nothing at all
When I'm safe in the arms
Of my Father
And if ever I fall
I take comfort in knowing
That You are there
There is a place that I know

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who spoke light into creation, who calls us to listen and follow, who sends us to shine like stars.

Amen.

Let us come before God, confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy and merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against our sisters and brothers and against you. We cherish the values of this world. We cause others to stumble. The earth is wounded by our excess. Have mercy, O God. Forgive us, renew us, and raise us up on eagles' wings, that we may do your will with courage and delight. Amen.

Hear the voice from heaven: "You are my own, my beloved." God gives power to the weary and strengthens the powerless. Be cleansed, be healed, for in the name of + Jesus Christ, I declare to you the forgiveness of your sins and the revealing of God's reign.

Amen.

The grace of Jesus Christ, the mercy of the Holy One, and the Spirit of the living God be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us pray together... **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.**

Congregation may be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE SONG – Breath of God

Breathe on me, breath of God
My spirit yearns for you
Hide me in your fathering arms
Fill up my longing soul

Breathe on me, breath of God
Burn bright eternal fire
Father draw me near to your loving heart
You are my one desire

Flood me over like a river my God
Emerse me in your living stream
Awaken the song
that you place in my heart
Spirit breathe on me
Spirit breathe on me

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RECEPTION OF PRAYER REQUESTS

SCRIPTURE READING – Mark 1:4-11

Mark's gospel reports the story of Jesus' baptism with some irony: the one on whom the Spirit descends is himself the one who will baptize others with the Holy Spirit.

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."

MESSAGE FOR THE DAY

SONG OF THE DAY – Baptized in Water
#456 in Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Red Worship Book)

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 INTERCESSION

The prayers will be offered in petitions ending in "Lord, in your mercy". The congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer"

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words. Please remain standing after this.

OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

Amen

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

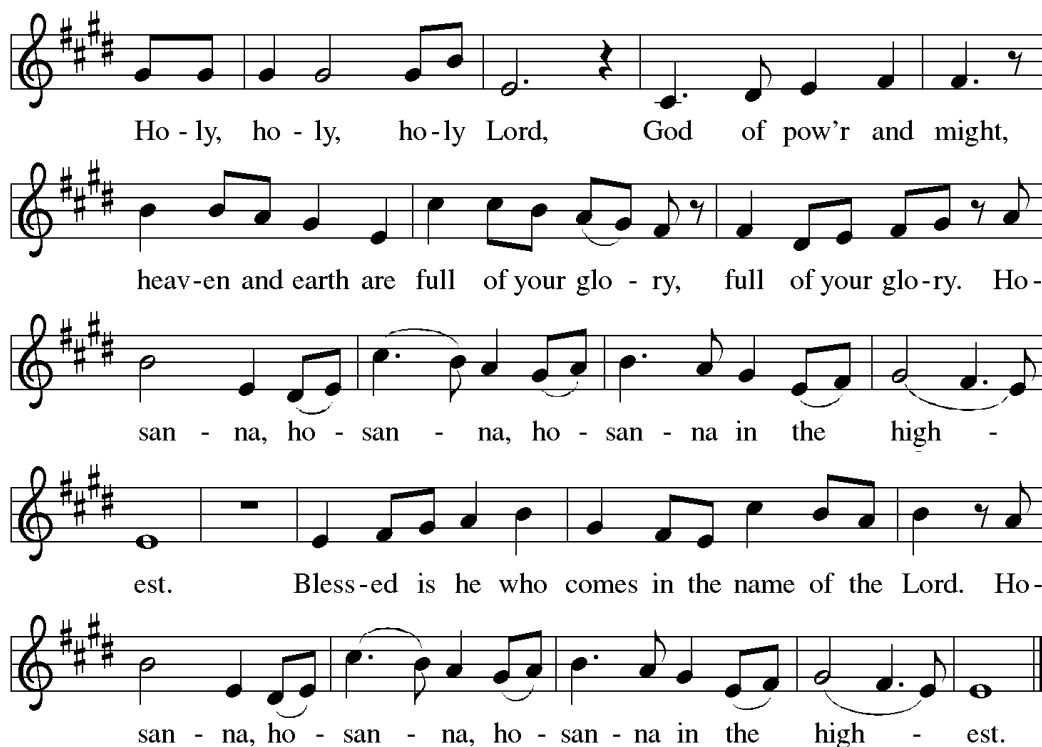
We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



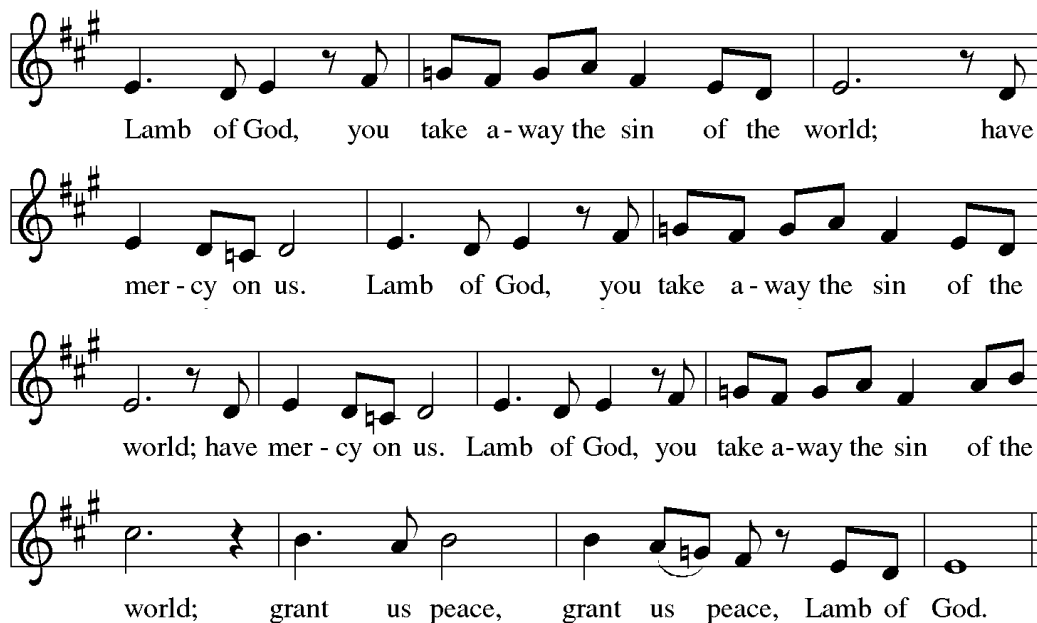
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me

**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**

Come to the table of mercy, where the feast of life is spread.



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, Lamb of God.

As you come forward receive the bread from the Pastor and then dip it in the cup held by the Communion Assistant. Then partake of the elements together. You may return to your place by using the side aisle. The Praise Band will be singing during distribution. You are welcome to sing along.

PRAYER AND BLESSING

Everlasting God, we bless you that you have brought us to the mountaintop and fed us with the life and light of your Son. Send us in his name from this place to bring light into dark corners, healing where lives are torn, and nourishment to every hungry heart, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God the Father, light-creator; God the Son, Light from Light; and God the Holy Spirit, light-revealer, bless you and + give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING SONG -- We Bow Down

Verse 1

You are Lord of creation
And Lord of my life
Lord of the land and the sea
You were Lord of the heavens
Before there was time
And Lord of all lords You will be

Verse 2

You are King of creation
And King of my life
King of the land and the sea
You were King of the heavens
Before there was time
And King of all kings You will be

Chorus 1

We bow down and we worship You Lord
We bow down and we worship You Lord
We bow down and we worship You Lord
Lord of all lords You will be

Chorus 2

We bow down and we crown You the King
We bow down and we crown You the King
We bow down and we crown You the King
King of all kings You will be

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance last Sunday:

10:00 a.m. Service – 59 (5 visitors and 54 members)

Offering last Sunday: Regular -\$1400.00; Benevolence - \$45.00; Building Fund - \$707.00; Special Appeal – \$24.00; Funeral Reception - \$25.00

IN THE CHURCH THIS WEEK:

TODAY - Worship – Service of the Word – 8:30 a.m.

Fellowship following 1st service

Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.

Worship with Holy Communion – 11 a.m.

Monday – AA - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday – Youth Committee – 6:15 p.m.

Christian Ed. – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday – Greencastle Homemaker's Group – 9:00 a.m.

Worship and Music – 6:15 p.m.

Thursday – Praise Band – 5:00 p.m.

Choir Practice – 6:45 p.m.

Hand Chimes – 8:00 p.m.

Friday - AA – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday - Jr./Sr. High Youth Group making Apple Dumplings

Sunday - Worship with Holy Communion – 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Fellowship following 1st service

Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.

Little Lambs Youth Group – 3-5 p.m.

No Jr./Sr. High Youth Group Meeting

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God by Russ and Dody Clever in honor of their 52nd wedding anniversary.

THE SPECIAL APPEAL for January is designated for Franklin County Homeless Shelter and Cold Weather Drop in Shelter. If you desire to make a monetary donation, please mark your envelope for Special Appeal or use the white envelope in the pew rack and mark it “Special Appeal”.

COMMITTEE REPORTS NEEDED – Reports from all committees of the church must be given to Donna Wolfe in the Church Office by January 15 in order to be placed in the Annual Report of the Congregation. These will be distributed to the congregation for their review.

JR/SR HIGH YOUTH GROUP will be selling apple dumplings as a fundraiser. They will be making the dumplings at Evangelical Lutheran Church on Saturday, January 14th. The cost is \$6.50 for a pan of 4. You will be able to pick them up at Evangelical between 3 and 5 p.m. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Room today if you would like to order some.

OFFERING ENVELOPES – The Offering Envelopes for 2012 are available and located on the table across from the coat rack. Please be sure to pick yours up.

WE NEED PEOPLE to provide snacks and cold drinks for Sunday morning fellowship time. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the fellowship room if you or a couple people would be willing to provide snacks. If you are providing snacks, please either refrain from items with peanut butter or nuts or mark the items. We have several members who have allergies to these foods.

2012 FLOWER CHART - The new flower chart has been placed on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Room. There are still a few weeks available. Please sign for the week you would like to place flowers on the altar.

WEBSITE UPDATE - we are continuing to develop the new website. This will include a photo gallery. We will not be identifying anyone in the photo gallery. **If you wish not to have your picture or pictures of your children on the website, please let us know and we will honor that request.** Simply call or email the church office.

2012 COUNCIL OFFICERS - The following people have been elected to served as your Congregational Council Officers for 2012:

President – Don Swart

Vice President – James Thomas

Secretary – Dave Wolfe

Treasurer – Bobbi DeMaster

Financial Secretary – Carol Swart

CHAMBERSBURG CONFERENCE NEWS

CHURCH DAY BUFFET

Members of our congregation and their friends are invited to the Church Day Buffet at the Fleck Center at Luther Ridge on Wednesday, January 11 from 12:00 to 1:00 PM. The menu for October is Creamed Lettuce, Crispy Baked Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Baked Corn, Dessert and Beverage. Cost for the buffet is \$6 per person. To reserve your place, please call 264-5700.

WELLNESS TALK AT LUTHER RIDGE

Lutheran Home Care & Hospice will give a Health & Wellness talk on Thursday, January 19, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at The Fleck Center at Luther Ridge. The program is free of charge and open to anyone in the community. No registration is required. The topic is “Exercise for Healthy Aging.

Almost anyone at any age can improve their health by doing some kind of activity. Learn how exercise can help you feel better and enjoy life more.