

Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” LBW #90

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Prayer of the Day

Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful in their calling to be your children and inheritors with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 43:1-7

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading Matthew 2:1-12

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Faith Seeds Shelly Kirchoff

Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.

The Gospel Acclamation “Life of Faith” Chorus

**"The life of faith, oh, it calls to you,
Leads us to the cross which makes us new,
And by your grace here in this place,
You have called us to the life of faith."**

The Announcement of the Gospel “Glory to You, O Lord”

Gospel Luke 3:15-22

Response after the Gospel “Praise to You, O Christ”

Sermon “WOW! A Leap of Faith” Pastor Dave Wollan

Hymn “When Christ’s Appearing Was Made Known”
LBW #85 (Tune: LBW #52)

Apostles Creed

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

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

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

Offering

Special Music “Like the Murmur of the Doves Song” Sharon Barton

Offertory Response ... “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

LBW #565 Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711 Tune: Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510-1561

Prayers of the Church

The Words of Institution

The 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.

The Distribution “Lamb of God” LBW pg. 92

Communion WOV #697, 699, 693

Benediction

Closing Hymn “The Life of Faith”

O wondrous kingdom here on earth that Jesus Christ has founded, Thy glory peace and precious worth, No tongue has fully sounded. Invisible as mind and soul and yet of light the fountain. Thy brightness shines from pole to pole like beacons from the mountain.

***Chorus:* The life of faith, Oh, it calls to you, Lead us to the cross which makes us new and by your grace here in this place, you have called us to the life of Faith.**

Thy secret is the Word of God which does what it proposes, Which lowers mountains high and broad, and clothes the waste with roses. Thine is the glory of the King, Who bore affliction solely. That He the crown of life might bring to sinners poor and lowly. *Chorus*

And when His advent comes to pass, the Christian strife is ended; What here we see as in a glass shall then be comprehended. Then shall the kingdom bright appear With glory true and vernal. And usher in the golden year of peace and joy eternal. *Chorus*

Text: Nicolai Frederik Severin Grundtvig, 1783-1872;
tr. Jens Christian Aaberg 1877-1970
Refrain: David Dale Wollan, b. 1975
Tune: William Solum Holt, b. 1994

Faith Lutheran Church (LCMC)

Hutchinson, Minnesota
8:00 a.m. First Word Service
January 12, 2025
Baptism of Our Lord



What Does This Mean?

1. What, if anything, do you remember about the W.O.W. Campaign?
2. When have you had to make a leap of faith?
3. What does the baptism of Jesus mean for us?

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