

WEDNESDAY SERVICE
Jan. 16, 2019

Fear not, for I
have redeemed you;
I have called you by your name;
YOU ARE MINE.

~ Isaiah 43:1 ~

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



*Making known
by Word and Action
the Healing Presence of God
in Christ Jesus with Us
and with the World.*

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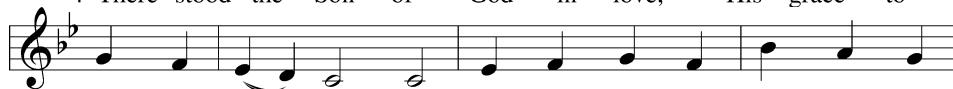
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Voices are in our heads nearly every moment. Even when we don't realize it, we are listening to the sounds of life that surround us. What do those voices say? What choruses do they sing? What refrains do they repeat? The voice we gather to hear this day stands in stark contrast to the multitude of others in our world. "The voice of the Lord is over the waters," we read in Psalm 29:3. As He did for ancient Israel—and as He did for His only-begotten Son—our Father does for us today: He speaks over us words of life! Connected to Christ by water and Spirit—redeemed and called by His Name—the Father makes us His own. *Are we listening? Can we hear Him?* He is speaking. Let's open our ears to hear!!

HYMN OF THE DAY "To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord" **LSB 406**



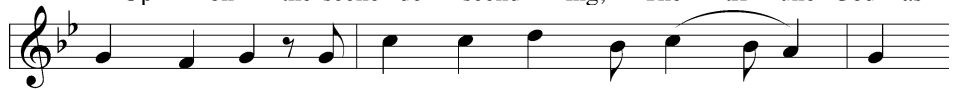
1 To Jor - dan came the Christ, our Lord, To do His
2 O hear and mark the mes - sage well, For God Him -
3 These truths on Jor - dan's banks were shown By might - y
4 There stood the Son of God in love, His grace to



Fa - ther's plea - sure; Bap - tized by John, the Fa - ther's Word
self has spo - ken. Let faith, not doubt, a - mong us dwell
word and won - der. The Fa - ther's voice from heav'n came down,
us ex - tend - ing; The Ho - ly Spir - it like a dove



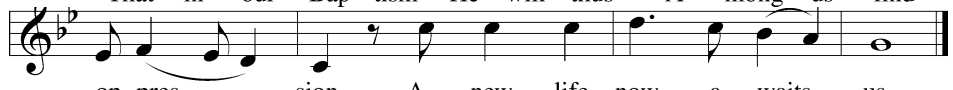
Was giv - en us to trea - sure. This heav'n - ly wash - ing
And so re - ceive this to - ken. Our Lord here with His
Which we do well to pon - der: "This man is My be -
Up - on the scene de - scend - ing; The tri - une God as -



now shall be A cleans - ing from trans - gres - sion
Word en - dows Pure wa - ter, free - ly flow - ing.
lov - ed Son, In whom My heart has plea - sure.
sur - ing us, With prom - is - es com - pel - ling,



And by His blood and ag - o - ny Re - lease from death's
God's Ho - ly Spir - it here a - vows Our kin - ship while
Him you must hear, and Him a - lone, And trust in full -
That in our Bap - tism He will thus A - mong us find



op - pres - sion. A new life now a - waits us.
be - stow - ing The Bap - tism of His bless - ing.
est mea - sure The word that He has spo - ken."
a dwell - ing To com - fort and sus - tain us.

5 To His disciples spoke the Lord,
 “Go out to ev’ry nation,
 And bring to them the living Word
 And this My invitation:
 Let ev’ryone abandon sin
 And come in true contrition
 To be baptized and thereby win
 Full pardon and remission
 And heav’nly bliss inherit.”

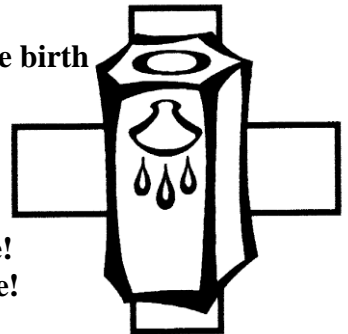
6 But woe to those who cast aside
 This grace so freely given;
 They shall in sin and shame abide
 And to despair be driven.
 For born in sin, their works must fail,
 Their striving saves them never;
 Their pious acts do not avail,
 And they are lost forever,
 Eternal death their portion.

7 All that the mortal eye beholds Is water as we pour it.
 Before the eye of faith unfolds The pow’r of Jesus’ merit.
 For here it sees the crimson flood To all our ills bring healing;
 The wonders of His precious blood The love of God revealing,
 Assuring His own pardon.

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INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

- P** In the Name of the Father and of the Son
 and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**
- P** The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
**C the God of glory thunders,
 the LORD, over many waters.**
- P** The voice of the LORD is powerful;
 the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
**C The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
 the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.**
- P** He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.
C The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
- P** The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
C the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.
- P** The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
 the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
**C The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth
 and strips the forests bare,
 and in His temple all cry, “Glory!”**
- P** The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
 the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
**C May the LORD give strength to His people!
 May the LORD bless His people with peace!**



- P** *Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?*
- C** **We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word / for self-examination...

- P** Almighty God,
- C** **have mercy upon us.**
Speak over us words of life.
Forgive us our sins
and lead us with Jesus
to life everlasting. Amen.



- P** Almighty God, your merciful Father, has declared you in Holy Baptism to be His child and has gathered you into the family of His Church, in which He daily and richly forgives all your sins and grants you new life through His Spirit. In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen. The voice of the LORD is indeed merciful and gracious!**

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Father Welcomes”

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Refrain

Fa - ther wel-comes all His chil-dren To His fam - 'ly
 through His Son. Fa - ther giv - ing His sal - va - tion,
 Life for - ev - er has been won.

1 Lit - tle chil-dren, come to Me, For My king - dom
 2 In the wa - ter, in the Word, In His prom - ise,
 3 Let us dai - ly die to sin; Let us dai - ly

is of these. Life and love I have to give,
 be as - sured: Those who are bap - tized and be - lieve
 rise with Him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord,

Refrain

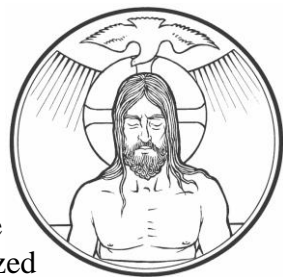
Mer - cy for your sin.
 Shall be born a - gain.
 Live in the peace of God.

THE SALUTATION AND PRAYER

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

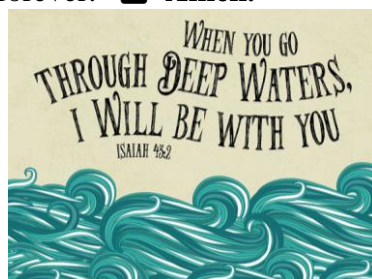
P Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River Your voice proclaimed Him to be Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Set free from fear all who are baptized in His Name that they may fearlessly make known Your words of life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**



OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 43:1–7

EPISTLE READING Romans 6:1–11

GOSPEL LESSON st Luke 3:15–22



SERMON HYMN*“Have No Fear, Little Flock”***LSB 735**

1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; Have no fear, lit - tle
 2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; Have good cheer, lit - tle
 3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; Praise the Lord high a -
 4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; Thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, For the Fa - ther has cho - sen To
 flock, For the Fa - ther will keep you In
 bove, For He stoops down to heal you, Up -
 God, For He stays close be - side you, In



give you the King - dom; Have no fear, lit - tle flock!
 His love for - ev - er; Have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
 lift and re - store you; Praise the Lord high a - bove!
 all things works with you; Thank - ful hearts raise to God!

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SERMON *“God Says: ‘You are Mine’ and Enables Fearless Living!”***HYMN OF RESPONSE** *“Once in the Blest Baptismal Waters”* **LSB 598**

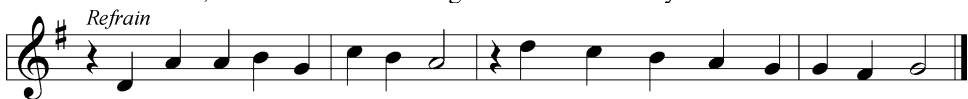
1 Once in the blest bap - tis - mal wa - ters I put on
 2 His bod - y and His blood I've tak - en In His blest
 3 And thus I live in God con - tent - ed And die with -



Christ and made Him mine; Now num - bered with God's sons and
 Sup - per, feast di - vine; Now I shall nev - er be for -
 out a thought of fear; My soul has to God's plans con -



daugh - ters, I share His peace and love di - vine.
 sak - en, For I am His, and He is mine.
 sent - ed, For through His Son my faith is clear.



Refrain
 O God, for Je - sus' sake I pray Your peace may bless my dy - ing day.

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RESPONSIVE PRAYER 2

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- P** O Lord, **C** have mercy.
P O Christ, **C** have mercy.
P O Lord, **C** have mercy.

LORD'S PRAYER

- C** 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.

APOSTLES' CREED

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come 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.

VERSIDLES

- P** Hear my prayer, O Lord;
C let my cry come to You.
P In the day of my trouble I call upon You;
C for You answer me.
P Hide Your face from my sins,
C and blot out all my iniquities.
P Create in me a clean heart, O God,
C and renew a right spirit within me.
P Cast me not away from Your presence,
C and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
P Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
C and uphold me with a willing spirit.
P Because Your steadfast love is better than life,
C my lips will praise You.
P For You have been my help,
C and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.



- P** Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;
C unite my heart to fear Your Name.
P I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
C and I will glorify Your Name forever.
P May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You.
C May those who love Your salvation say evermore, “*God is great!*”
P Save Your people and bless Your heritage!
C Be their shepherd and carry them forever.
P Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; **C** listen to my plea for grace.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

{each petition ends “...Lord, in Your mercy:” response: “*hear our prayer!*”}

LUTHER’S EVENING PRAYER

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- C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

BENEDICAMUS AND BLESSING

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- P** Let us bless the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.
P The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C Amen.

SONGS BY REQUEST ...



“ Since you are
Precious
 in My sight

you have been
Honored
 and I have
Loved You.



Isaiah
 43:4