

Worship Leader Edition

Baptism of Our Lord

January 8, 2023

10:00 AM

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME by *Jubilee* (Invite people to download bulletin from the website – stlukesbloomington.org)

+OPENING SONG

“Holy Water”

A. Bergthold; E. Cash/D. Galbraith

Verse 1

God I'm on my knees again
God I'm begging please again
I need You
Oh I need You

Walking down these desert roads
Water for my thirsty soul
I need You
Oh I need You

Chorus

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears
Like holy water (on my skin)

Verse 2

Dead man walking slave to sin
I wanna know about being born again
I need You
Oh God I need You

So take me to the riverside
Take me under baptize
I need You
Oh God I need You oh

Chorus

Bridge (three times)

I don't wanna abuse Your grace
God I need it ev'ry day
It's the only thing that ever really
Makes me wanna change

Chorus (two times)

Ending

Yeah it's like holy water on my skin
Oh it's like holy water

+PRAYER OF THE DAY {*Front Center*} (*Angela Hansen*)

L: O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

+SHARING OF THE PEACE {*Front Center*} (*Angela Hansen*)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

L: For all who are gathered, let us take a moment to welcome everyone with a wave of peace. For those of you online, please share a word of peace in the comment or chat. Most of all as we go out into the world may we greet others as people of peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS {*Front Center*} (*Rob*)

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE {*On Floor Pulpit Side*} (*Emily*)

FIRST READING {*Lectern*} (*Jon Sasseville*)

Isaiah 55:6-13

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For

as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

+THE HOLY GOSPEL {Pulpit} (Rob)

Matthew 3:1-17

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. "I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE {Pulpit}

Rob

+SONG OF THE DAY

"Hear Our Praises"

Hillsong

Verse 1

May our homes be filled with dancing
May our streets be filled with joy
May injustice bow to Jesus
As the people turn and pray

Chorus

From the mountains to the valley
Hear our praises rise to You
From the heavens to the nations
Hear our singing fill the air

Verse 2

May our light shine in the darkness
As we walk before the cross
May Your glory fill the whole earth
As the water o'er the seas

Chorus (two times)

Bridge (three times)

Hallelujah hallelujah
Hallelujah hallelujah

Chorus

+THE APOSTLES' CREED *{Front Center}* (Angela Hansen)

Screen

L: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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.

L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

+THE PRAYERS *{Front Center}* (Angela Hansen)

After each petition:

L: Let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

+THE LORD'S PRAYER (Angela Hansen)

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your Kingdom come: your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISMS *(light candles for those baptized in 2022)* (Angela Hansen)

Lucy Brown, Cassidy DeSchepper, Ryder Hamblin, Parker Hamblin, Daxton Hartung, Kiera MacPhail, Liam Newby, Macklin Thorsland, Kendra MacPhail

L: On this Baptismal Sunday, I invite you to remember your baptism. You will be invited up to come to the font to receive a sign of the cross on your forehead or hand.

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE (Angela Hansen)

Screen

L: In this time of reflection and response you are invited to fill out your welcome card. Share any reflections, questions, or prayers on the back. Also, take this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered the collection plates are in the front and back. For those online please go to our website stlukesbloomington.org and there is a link to give at the bottom of every page. Enjoy this time.

Special Music

"You Say"
Jubilee Praise Team

Lauren Daigle

SENDING

+BENEDICTION (Rob)

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

+SENDING SONG

“Majestic”

Lincoln Brewster/Dan Galbraith

Verse

O Lord our Lord
How majestic is Your name
In all the earth

O Lord our Lord
How majestic is Your name
In all the earth

Chorus 1

The heavens declare
Your greatness
The oceans cry out to You

The mountains-
They bow down before You
So I'll join with the earth
And I'll give my praise to You

Verse

Chorus 2

The heavens declare
Your greatness
The oceans cry out to You

+DISMISSAL (*Angela Hansen*)

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

REPRISE

The mountains-
They bow down before You
So I'll join with the earth
And I'll sing

The heavens declare
Your greatness
The oceans cry out to You

The mountains-
They bow down before You
So I'll join with the earth
And I'll give my praise to You

Bridge

I will worship You
I will worship You

We will worship You
We will worship You

Chorus 2