



Baptism of Our Lord
January 13, 2019
8:30am



WHY JESUS?
BECAUSE
JESUS IS
RELATIONSHIP.

Welcome to Zumbro Lutheran Church!

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

SUNDAY, JAN. 13, 2019

Our current sermon series is

“Why Jesus?”

Today we remember our baptism. During worship you will have an opportunity to reaffirm what God has done for you in the waters of the font.

We continue our sermon series called “Why Jesus?” today. We are following the gospel of Matthew to help us discover or rediscover why following Jesus matters and how God intends to shape our lives as disciples. You can go deeper each week by picking up a Big Idea Guide at the ushers’ stand or by signing up on the yellow *Life of Zumbro* insert to receive it in your email each week.

Young children are most welcome at worship. A coloring page is available at the ushers’ stand for your children to work on during worship if they would like. This coloring page corresponds to the theme of worship. If needed, the nursery is available during all services. Please ask an usher for directions.

Story Time +PLUS+ is offered during the sermon for children three years old to fifth grade. They return to the sanctuary during the hymn following the sermon.

Please silence your cell phones and pagers.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

BE THOU MY VISION
HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
ZUMBRO HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

ARR. DOUGLAS E. WAGNER

As you prepare your heart for worship during the prelude, you are invited to pray:

Lord God, you call us into relationship with you. Hear my voice as I worship you, and speak to my heart through word and song today.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

songleader-first time

all-repeated twice



You be - long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C: Amen.

L: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

L: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN 453

BAPTIZED AND SET FREE

During the hymn, the pastors will sprinkle worshipers with water from the baptismal font as a remembrance of baptism.



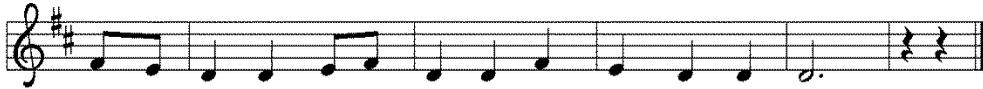
1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
 2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
 3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
 4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
 Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.
 and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.
 All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
 For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:
 As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:
 Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.
 end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.
 pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.
 one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Righteous God,

C: you sent your son Jesus to be baptized by John in the Jordan, so that all might hear the proclamation of your love. Make us voices of proclamation, so that all might know of your love through our words and our actions. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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.

¹¹I 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. ¹²His 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."

¹³Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶And 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. ¹⁷And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

L: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

you may be seated

STORY TIME

PASTOR JASON BRYAN-WEGNER

HANDBELLS

JESUS LOVES ME
ZUMBRO HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

ARR. DOUGLAS E. WAGNER

SERMON

WHY JESUS? BECAUSE JESUS IS RELATIONSHIP

PASTOR LISA KIPP

HYMN 575

IN CHRIST CALLED TO BAPTIZE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

ELOUISE ADDISON GREEN, DAUGHTER OF KIERRA DISON AND WILLIAM GREEN

L: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word, God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Kierra and William, do you desire to have Elouise baptized into Christ?

Parents: We do.

L: As you bring her to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with her among God's people, bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer. Do you promise to help Elouise grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents: We do.

L: Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Elouise in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: We do.

L: People of God, do you promise to support Elouise and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

C: We do.

please stand as you are able

L: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, and confess the faith of the church. 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 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.

L: Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

you may be seated

L: Elouise Addison, you are baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

C: (sing) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

L: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Elouise with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C: Amen.

L: Elouise Addison, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life." Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

THANKSGIVING

During the offering, please pass the Connection Pad in the pew.

OFFERING

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Your giving makes a difference.

DO LORD, REMEMBER ME
ZUMBRO HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

ARR. SUSAN T. SYLVESTER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: United as one body in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

after each petition the congregation responds:

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Receive our prayers and fill us with the radiance of your love through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

SENDING

please stand as you are able

BENEDICTION

L: Go in peace; love and care for one another in the name of Christ.

The Spirit of God which filled John and Jesus, fill your hearts and minds.

The power of God which upheld them strengthen you for each day.

And the love of God which directed their every action be your guiding light and your shining star, both now and forevermore.

C: Amen.

HYMN 322

stanzas 1-3, 7

OH, LOVE, HOW DEEP

please turn and face the cross as it exits the sanctuary

SENDING

L: People of Zumbro, what is our mission?

C: Our journey of faith leads us to build bridges of understanding and peace, to reach out with compassion, and to share the hope of Jesus. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

OH, LOVE, HOW DEEP

THE AGINCOURT HYMN,
ARR. DAVID N. JOHNSON

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

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In Christ Called to Baptize



1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace
2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,
3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach
4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise
E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.
In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional

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Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters



- 1 Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
- 2 We who bring them long for nur-ture; by your milk may we be fed.
- 3 Oh, how deep your ho-ly wis-dom! Un-im-ag-ined, all your ways!



Num-ber them a-mong your peo-ple; bless as Christ blessed long a-go.
Let us join your feast, par-tak-ing cup of bless-ing, liv-ing bread.
To your name be glo-ry, hon-or! With our lives we wor-ship, praise!



Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; com-pass them with love and light.
God, re-new us, guide our foot-steps; free from sin and all its snares,
We your peo-ple stand be-fore you, wa-ter-washed and Spir-it-born.



Fill, a-noint them; send your Spir-it, ho-ly dove and heart's de-light.
one with Christ in liv-ing, dy-ing, by your Spir-it, chil-dren, heirs.
By your grace, our lives we of-fer. Re-cre-ate us; God, trans-form!

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Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

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Oh, Love, How Deep



1 Oh, love, how deep, how broad, how high, be - yond all
 2 God sent no an - gel to our race, of high - er
 3 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
 4 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his



thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
 or of low - er place, but wore the robe of
 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tion
 dai - ly works he wrought, by words and signs and



God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
 hu - man frame, in Christ our Lord to this world came.
 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
 ac - tions thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.

- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed,
 for us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
 he bore the shameful cross and death;
 for us he gave his dying breath.
- 6 For us he rose from death again;
 for us he went on high to reign;
 for us he sent his Spirit here
 to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- 7 All glory to our Lord and God
 for love so deep, so high, so broad:
 the Trinity whom we adore
 forever and forevermore.

Text: Thomas á Kempis. 1380–1471; tr. Benjamin Webb, 1819–1885. alt.
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