

# THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE  
JANUARY 8, 2023 | 8:30 AM

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

*Parents of small children: Children can and do encounter Jesus during worship. For your convenience, please know that our entryway and a nursery (Room 113) are equipped with an audio reception of the service. We also have activity bags available for their use during worship. Please see an usher for more information.*

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*“Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you.”*

*Romans 15:7*

*Good Shepherd Lutheran Church warmly welcomes people of any age, race, nationality, sexual orientation, life circumstance, and physical or mental capability.*

## Gathering

PRELUDE

"Baptized in Water"

Thomas Eisnor

- A. Royce Eckhardt

WELCOME

*Stand*

EPIPHANY BLESSING

Assembly responds, **“Amen.”**

INCSCRIPTION

PROCESSION *(Pastor will process to each designated area and begin with the words, "Christ, bless this... (Entryway, Sanctuary, Font, Pulpit, Altar)." The congregation will respond with the phrase "O Christ, bless this..." (Entryway, Sanctuary, Font, Pulpit, Altar).*

PRAYER OF BLESSING

☞ *Let us pray....*

Assembly responds, **“Amen.”**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

☞ 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.

☞ **Amen.**

☞ 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.

☞ **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

"This Is the Spirit's Entry Now"

ELW #448

GREETING

Assembly responds, **“And also with you.”**

KYRIE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

☞ *Let us pray....*

Assembly responds, **“Amen.”**

*Sit*

## Word

FIRST READING: Isaiah 42:1-9

Pew Bible pg. 657

☞ The word of the Lord.

☞ **Thanks be to God.**

# PSALM 29

(The Psalm will be chanted and the congregation will chant the even verses and refrain as indicated)

## REFRAIN



As - crite to the Lord, your God - As - crite the Glo - ry of His name.

- A** Ascribe to the | Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glo- | ry and strength.
- C** **Ascribe to the Lord the glory | due God's name; worship the Lord in the beau- | ty of holiness.**
- A** The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders; the Lord is upon the | mighty waters.
- A** **The voice of the Lord is a pow- | erful voice; the voice of the Lord is a | voice of splendor. Refrain**
- A** The voice of the Lord breaks the | cedar trees; the Lord breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;
- A** **the Lord makes Lebanon skip | like a calf, and**

## Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

- A** The voice | of the Lord bursts forth in | lightning flashes.
- A** **The voice of the Lord| shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh. Refrain**
- A** The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the | forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord all are | crying, "Glory!"
- A** **The Lord sits enthroned a- | bove the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.**
- A** O Lord, give strength | to your people; give them, O Lord, the bless- | ings of peace. **Refrain**

SECOND READING: Acts 10:34-43

Pew Bible pg. 1002

- L** The word of the Lord.
- G** **Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

Stand

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL READING: Matthew 3:13-17

Pew Bible, page 879

- P** The holy Gospel according to Matthew, the third chapter.
- G** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the conclusion of the reading:

- P** The Gospel of the Lord.
- G** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit

## SERMON

Pastor Rosy Rivera

Stand

## HYMN OF DAY

"Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized"

ELW #304

NICENE CREED (located inside back cover of hymnal)

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(As the Minister closes each petition with the words, "Merciful God," worshipers respond with the words, "receive our prayer.")

## PEACE

- P** The peace of Christ be with you always. **G** **And also with you.**
- (The people greet one another with a verbal sign of Christ's peace.)

Sit

## Meal

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Jesus, My Breath, My Life, My Lord"

*-Timothy Dudley-Smith and John Carter*

GSLC Quartet

*Please sign and pass the "Who's Who in the Pew" attendance book down your pew row.*

*We encourage you to leave your gifts to the work of the Lord as the Spirit leads you. For those watching online, you may donate through many various ways detailed on our donation page of our website, [gslutheran.org/donate](http://gslutheran.org/donate). We also encourage you to sign-up for SIMPLY GIVING or online giving through the VANCO MOBILE FAITH ENGAGEMENT app for consistent reoccurring gifts.*

OFFERING SONG

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

ELW #188

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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PREFACE

DIALOGUE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER *(located in the front cover of the hymnal)*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Sit*

LAMB OF GOD

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COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

"Creating God, Your Fingers Trace"

ELW #684

*Stand*

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

*Assembly responds, Amen.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Assembly responds, Amen.*

INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS AND LIAISONS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Sending

BLESSING

*Assembly responds, Amen.*

SENDING HYMN

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

ELW #310

DISMISSAL

*Assembly responds, Thanks be to God.*

POSTLUDE

"When Jesus to the Jordan Came"

*- D.Buxtehude (1637-1703)*

Thomas Eisnor

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**Attendance Last Sunday**

8:30 AM - 40 10:45 - 44  
Online - 21  
Pledges -92

*The Altar flowers this morning are dedicated to the Glory of God and are given by Tom and Mary Wilson to celebrate the congregation of Good Shepherd Lutheran!*

Please sign our attendance book in each pew, including the service time you are attending. If you are online, click the link to sign-in for worship in the description section of the video you are viewing.

**LIKE YOUR FELLOWSHIP TIME?**  
Please sign-up in the Administrative Hallway to help purchase refreshments for fellowship after the worship services. The cost is \$30/ Sunday.  
Thank you to the Champion Family for the contribution for fellowship this morning.



**November Income & Budgeted Giving Summary**  
**Fiscal Year 2022-2023**

Actual Income: \$46,334.79  
Budgeted Income: \$ 45,043.78  
Pledges Collected: 92  
Ahead \$ 1,291.01

*If you have any questions, please contact our Financial Secretary Sharron Ryan. Thank you!*

**2023 Flower and Donut Calendars**  
Our donut and flower calendars for 2023 are now available. Donuts are \$30. Flowers are \$40. Forms are located in the Administrative Hallway. Make checks out to GSLC and put “Donuts” or “Flowers” in the memo line. Please be sure to submit a dedication with the flower reservation.



**Soles 4 Souls (S4S)** has been collecting new and gently worn shoes for years, and our GSLC youth have spent several mission trips sorting shoes at their facility in Nashville, TN.

We will be collecting new and gently used shoes for S4S during the month of January. Collection boxes, decorated by our GSLC youth, will be in the Fellowship Hall. A friendly competition of whose box gets the most shoes wins a prize for our youth. Now clean out that closet!

**Look for the January Sunday Servants online**—Check the Sunday Servant Schedules. A link is available on our [website](http://website) home page. *Please let the office know if you will be taking any time away so we accurately create schedules. Send your notice e-mail to [office@gslutheran.org](mailto:office@gslutheran.org)*

**Committee Sunday** is scheduled for January 22! **We will have one combined service at 10:30 AM.** The Stewardship Committee is hosting a ministry fair where you can learn all about our committees and ways your can serve at Good Shepherd. You won't want to miss this interactive event.



**PRAYERS@GSLUTHERAN.ORG** is the e-mail address for you to submit prayer concerns. Prayers will be posted to the Prayer Circle, via e-mail, during normal business hours. You can also drop us an e-mail at this same e-mail.

Coming Soon...more information about future plans with congregational care. We are searching for Stephen Ministers! If you have ever served as a Stephen minister, Stephen Leader or Facilitator, please contact Pastor Rosy.

Read your Sheep Buzz! It gets delivered to your e-mail inbox every Friday around 3 PM. Want to get a text when it gets sent? Join our Remind Text Notifications group. On your mobile device simply text (including the @ symbol) @gslc1 to 81010.



## BIBLE STUDIES THIS WEEK—Sunday School at 9:45 AM—Various classrooms

- + Spark lectionary based lessons (ages 0-12th grade).
- + Coffee & Conversation: rm. 118—**new study entitled "Prophets Faithful to God's Covenant"**. These studies will focus on prophets in the Old Testament.
- + Faith Stories: rm. 117
- + Men in Mission: rm. 116

Get all the details on our Sunday School page on our website, [gslutheran.org/sunday-school](http://gslutheran.org/sunday-school).

**Monday's Lunch and Learn:** If you'd like to begin with lunch and fellowship come at noon, otherwise we will begin our study at 12:30 PM. New study coming mid-January.

**Word on Wednesday—**Kick off the New Year and join us as we begin the study, "Messy Spirituality: God's Annoying Love for Imperfect People" by Mark Yaconelli Wednesday, January 11, 2023. We will continue to meet via Zoom (a format that yields the most consistent attendance!) at 10:00 a.m. For more information, please contact Lori Peters, small group leader, via the church office.

**Theology on Tap:** New location at Game Day. Every other week, next date is January 18th at 7 PM. Join us for fun, fellowship and answers/discussions challenging your faith. All are welcome.

**Thursday Bible Study—** 10 AM with Pastor Rosy. Encounter a unique picture of revival through Ezekiel's prophecies in this 8-week Bible study, *An Unexpected Revival: Experiencing God's Goodness through Disappointment and Doubt*. God chose to spark revival through people who seemed counted out, cast aside, and disregarded. However, God pursues us with His goodness desiring to bring revival to our broken hearts.

## YARN ANGELS

Our next meeting will be on Monday, January 16th, from 11 AM to 1 PM, at the home of Susan Epling.

## CARING FOR CREATION

We are now collecting used eyeglasses to be donated to the Lion's Club. There is now a collection box in the Fellowship Hall.



## NEW MEMBER CLASS

A new member class will meet for five Sundays, beginning January 15th and use the study "Come and Grow with Us". The study will introduce new and prospective members (or current members) to Christian faith and Lutheran practices in a nonthreatening, airy, user-friendly format. All are welcome to attend. Classes will be in between services in the small room adjacent to the Entryway. New Member Sunday will be March 5th.



Welcome to our weekly  
Lamb Buzz

Looking for all the news for our Youth? Be sure to read your [Wednesday Weekly Lamb Buzz](#) Email. Some exciting things are happening at GSLC for all ages of our youth. Access each week on our website under the Youth Tab or sign-up to be on the e-mail list.

## The Birthday Bash is Back!

It's a fun way to celebrate everyone's birthday at one time. We will have lunch after the Praise service. There are 12 tables, one for each month of the year. Those attending sit at the table that has the month of your birthday. We serve pizza, salad and drinks **and** there is a cake for each table. Sign-up to make a cake and Sign up to RSVP. A fun way to meet new and/or get reacquainted with other members! To RSVP:

<https://bit.ly/GSLCBirthdayBash>

To Bake A Cake:

<https://bit.ly/GSLCBakeCake>



Pastor Rosy will be doing House Blessings during Epiphany from January 9-26. You do have to sign up using the link below. You do not have to be home when she comes by. She will be using chalk to mark the exterior portion of your home door frame. If you'd like a home blessing in the new year, use the link below to sign up!

<https://doodle.com/bp/rosalinarivera/home-blessings>

If your address has changed in the last year, please email Pastor Rosy to ensure she is blessing the correct home!

EPIPHANY HOUSE



BLESSING



Outreach  
Book  
Collection

Outreach is collecting new and gently used children's books this month. There are three bins in the Fellowship Hall dividing the books by Baby Books, Picture Books and Chapter Books. We will be donating them to The Encouragement Project. They donate them to children that do not have any books, school EIP programs and other organizations that work with high risk children.