



DAILY MORNING PRAYER

*January 12, 2022*

The Baptism of Our Lord

From the rising of the sun to its setting, my name will be great among the nations, and in every place incense will be offered to my name, and a pure offering. For my name will be great among the nations, says the Lord of hosts.

MALACHI 1:11

### **The Lord Our God is Good**

Verse 1

Who else knows our deepest pain  
Bears it as his own  
Finds us in our naked shame,  
Clothes and brings us home

Refrain

The Lord our God is good  
The Lord our God is good  
Full of kindness and compassion  
Merciful and just  
The Lord our God is good

Verse 2

Who takes his inheritance  
And gives it all away  
Welcomes guests to feast with him  
Who never can repay

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### CONFESSION

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

*Silence is kept. Officiant and People say*

**Almighty and most merciful Father,**

**we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.**

**We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.**

**We have offended against your holy laws.**

**We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done;  
and apart from your grace, there is no health in us.**

**O Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Spare all those who confess their faults.**

**Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in  
Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.**

*Deacon prays*

Grant to your faithful people, merciful Lord, pardon and peace; that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## INVITATORY

*Officiant* O Lord, open our lips;

*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us;

*People* **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

*People* **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

*Officiant* Praise the Lord.

*People* **The Lord's Name be praised.**

*Officiant* The Lord has shown forth his glory:

*People* **O Come, let us adore him.**

## THE PSALM

**Reader:** A reading from Psalm 29

<sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings,  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup> Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;  
worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

<sup>3</sup> The voice of the Lord is over the waters;  
the God of glory thunders,  
the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup> The voice of the Lord is powerful;  
the voice of the Lord is majestic.

<sup>5</sup> The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;  
the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

<sup>6</sup> He makes Lebanon leap like a calf,  
Sirion like a young wild ox.

<sup>7</sup> The voice of the Lord strikes  
with flashes of lightning.

<sup>8</sup> The voice of the Lord shakes the desert;  
the Lord shakes the Desert of Kadesh.

<sup>9</sup> The voice of the Lord twists the oaks

and strips the forests bare.  
And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"  
<sup>10</sup>The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;  
the Lord is enthroned as King forever.  
<sup>11</sup>The Lord gives strength to his people;  
the Lord blesses his people with peace.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

**Reader:** A reading from Isaiah 42

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;  
I have put my Spirit upon him;  
he will bring forth justice to the nations.  
<sup>2</sup>He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice,  
or make it heard in the street;  
<sup>3</sup>a bruised reed he will not break,  
and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;  
he will faithfully bring forth justice.  
<sup>4</sup>He will not grow faint or be discouraged  
till he has established justice in the earth;  
and the coastlands wait for his law.  
<sup>5</sup>Thus says God, the Lord,  
who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
who gives breath to the people on it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:  
<sup>6</sup>"I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness;  
I will take you by the hand and keep you;  
I will give you as a covenant for the people,  
a light for the nations,  
<sup>7</sup>to open the eyes that are blind,  
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.  
<sup>8</sup>I am the Lord; that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to carved idols.  
<sup>9</sup>Behold, the former things have come to pass,  
and new things I now declare;

before they spring forth  
I tell you of them.”

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks be to God

**Reader:** A reading from Luke 3

<sup>15</sup> As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup> John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

<sup>18</sup> So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup> But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, <sup>20</sup> added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

<sup>21</sup> Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup> and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

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## REFLECTION

*Anna Wilson*

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant: Let us respond by confessing our faith in the words of the Apostle's 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 Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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,  
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 catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with your spirit.**

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Officiant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*People* **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

*Officiant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Officiant and People*

**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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Officiant* O Lord, show your mercy upon us;

*People* **And grant us your salvation.**

*Officiant* O Lord, guide those who govern us;

*People* **And lead us in the way of justice and truth.**

*Officiant* Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

*People* **And let your people sing with joy.**

*Officiant* O Lord, save your people;

*People* **And bless your inheritance.**

*Officiant* Give peace in our time, O Lord;

*People* **And defend us by your mighty power.**

*Officiant* Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

*People* **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

*Officiant* Create in us clean hearts, O God;

*People* **And take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

#### COLLECT

##### *The Baptism of Our Lord*

Eternal Father, at the baptism of Jesus you revealed him to be your Son, and your Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove: Grant that we, who are born again by water and the Spirit, may be faithful as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### A COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

##### *Our Thanksgivings and Intercessions*

#### The General Thanksgiving

*Officiant and People*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-**

kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the  
hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts  
we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,

by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

#### A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common  
supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two  
or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord,  
our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your  
truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The Officiant says a concluding sentence (and the People may be invited to join)*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy  
Spirit be with us all evermore.

2 CORINTHIANS 13:14



**The First Sunday of Epiphany -Jesus' Baptism** ~Malcolm Guite

Beginning here we glimpse the 'Three-in-one;  
The river runs, the clouds are torn apart,  
The Father speaks, the Spirit and the Son  
Reveal to us the single loving heart  
That beats behind the being of all things  
And calls and keeps and kindles us to light.  
The dove descends, the spirit soars and sings  
'You are beloved, you are my delight!'

In that quick light and life, as water spills  
And streams around the Man like quickening rain,  
The voice that made the universe reveals  
The God in Man who makes it new again.  
He calls us too, to step into that river  
To die and rise and live and love forever.