

# St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

*Growing in Faith, Missions, Living, and Giving*

Bonduel, Wisconsin

January 6/7, 2018

## *The Baptism of our Lord*

### **Welcome to the House of the Lord**

What's God doing? Do people wonder? Christians believe what He did. Christians believe He will return. But do we believe He is doing much now? How? What? What difference does He make?

In today's worship we hear the voice of God speak at His Son's baptism administered by John in the Jordan River. What Jesus' baptism has to do with ours will be identified in the sermon, as well as what our baptism has to do with a new year and each day in it.

*Looking ahead...* MOSES – is the most important Old Testament Prophet, and Exodus is his most important book. On ASH WEDNESDAY, February 14, we begin a sermon series on God's key Old Testament figure. The series will continue on Saturday/Sundays in Lent.

Seven times, Moses asks the Pharaoh to let God's people go. When he finally does, God's salvation, His delivering His people is so amazing; the event is mentioned 125 times in Israel's scriptures. Look forward to meeting Miriam, Shiphrah and Puah, the Pharaohs, Aaron and Joshua, and witnessing the burning bush, Moses' staff, the ten plagues, the pillar of fire, the parting of the sea, bread from heaven, water from a rock, the golden calf, the ten commandments... all these people and events which make up God's salvation act of the Old Testament, and which paint a beautiful portrait of our Savior.

*Beginning today...* What is the last Bible verse you memorized? Today we are beginning a Bible Verse of the Month to be included each week in worship. Let's learn by heart a dozen verses this year. What a simple way to get to know God better.



**Opening Hymn**

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*To Jordan's River Came Our Lord*

**Confession and Absolution**

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**Bible Verse**

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

*Genesis 1:1*

### **Psalmody — Psalm 29**

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,

**ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

**worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.**

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

**the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.**

The voice of the Lord is powerful;

**the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;

**the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.**

He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,

**and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the Lord

**flashes forth flames of fire.**

The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;

**the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

The voice of the Lord makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare,

**and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"**

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;

**the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.**

May the Lord give strength to his people!

**May the Lord bless his people with peace!**

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

**is it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Kyrie and Gloria in Excelsis**

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### **Salutation and Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Old Testament Reading — Genesis 1:1–5**

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup>And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Epistle Reading — Romans 6:1–11**

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>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. <sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup>And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>6</sup>Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup>And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. <sup>8</sup>I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." <sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

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## Hymn

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*Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*

## Sermon

**"Learning More about Your Most Important Day"**

*(Romans 6:1–11)*

## Offering

*Please complete the friendship register found at the end of the pew.*

## Prayer of the Church

## Service of the Sacrament

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*Note for those desiring to commune...* Our practice of close communion is the Biblical and historic practice of the Christian church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for His people since it seeks to prevent spiritual damage to those who do not recognize the true body and blood of Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine in this Holy Supper (1 Corinthians 11:29). Furthermore, it does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Romans 16:17) and the Bible's witness that the Lord's Supper is the highest expression of fellowship and doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42). For this reason, guests who are not a member of a sister LCMS congregation are asked to speak to our pastor before communing.

## Distribution Hymns

**394**

**623**

**810**

**412**

**Closing Hymn**      *Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning*      (400)

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Vainly we offer each ample oblation,  
Vainly with gifts would His favor secure.  
Richer by far is the heart's adoration;  
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.



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*Serving the Lord in Worship*

**Liturgy**      Rev. Mark R. Palmer      **Sermon**      Rev. Timothy J. Shoup  
**Organists**      Saturday – Ms. Rhoda Lehrke      Sunday – Mrs. Lorraine Doell  
**Acolytes**      Ben Reisner      Tatum Sporisky      Audrey Weier

*Prayers*

**In Need of Healing . . .** *Carol Bartels, John Brodhagen,  
Michelle Hermann, Shirley Kieckhafer, Lee Kohn, Gregory Kopitske Jr.,  
Pearl Kyle, Jim Luepke, Brittany Slack, Gloria Swanson, Todd Wegner,  
and Gary Wolf.*



**Our Deepest Sympathy . . .** to the families and friends of *Carl Busch*, who was called home to the Lord on Friday, December 29, and given Christian burial at St. Paul on Thursday, January 4.

## Announcements

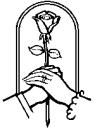
**Lutherans for Life Shawano Chapter . . .** will collect signatures for a Pro-Life ad. There will be only this weekend for all who want their name to be included. The ad will be printed in the Market Messenger on Thursday January 18. There are sheets in the narthex for your signature. If you can help with the cost, a donation of \$3 is recommended. Do sign even if you are not able to donate. **The Wisconsin Right to Life march** will be on Sunday, January 21, at 1:00pm. We will meet at the Community Center (Shawano Police Dept.) and march over to the courthouse, then back for a short program and refreshments.

**The Lutheran Hour . . . "How Well Does Jesus Know Me?"** (*John 1: 48-51*) It's nice to have someone know and understand you. How do you feel about Jesus knowing you? Tune in next Sunday to hear Lutheran Hour speaker emeritus Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus at 7:30am on WTCH/960 AM or at 10:00am on WRVM/102.7 FM. The weekly broadcast may also be heard anytime online at [.org](#).

### *Attendance – December 30/31, 2017*

|          |       |              |            |
|----------|-------|--------------|------------|
| Saturday | 12/30 | 7:00pm       | 89         |
| Sunday   | 12/31 | 8:00am       | 140        |
| Sunday   | 12/31 | 10:15am      | <u>170</u> |
|          |       | <b>Total</b> | 399        |

**Planning a Wedding at St. Paul?** Congratulations!! Please contact either Pastor Shoup or Pastor Palmer to reserve your date and receive our wedding brochure.



**Wolf River Lutheran High School Choir . . .** under the direction of Mr. Llew Kramer, will sing for the 7:00pm service on Saturday, January 13.

**Shawano Area Matthew 25 “. . .whatever you do for the least of these . . .” Matthew 25:40 . . .** Sign-up sheets are located in the narthex for taking meals to SAM25 in January, February, and March. What can you do to help? Each of us working together can provide a meal. Maybe you're great at making lasagna. Maybe you hate cooking but love shopping and would prefer to just buy the ingredients to make a meal. Maybe you could help by simply serving the meal. Please contact Patti Rosin (715-853-6171) or any member of the Board of Stewardship for questions.

**Rummage & Estate Sale . . .** will take place at Faith United Lutheran, 11465 Old U Rd., Gillett, January 18 and 19, 8:00am – 4:00pm and January 20, 8:00am – noon.



December 11, 2017

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*God Bless all  
you dear folks!*

My dear fellow redeemed:

I have been blessed to know people who experience profound, life-changing JOY when they tell others about Jesus through their sacrificial giving. I pray you are one of them. There is something intensely personal and full of meaning in a gift like the one you have joyfully given. Thank you.

St. Paul said it best: *"I thank God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ."* (Philippians 1:3-6, ESV)

Please let me know if there is anything we can do to serve you better.

In service to our Lord, Jesus Christ,

*Matthew C. Harrison*  
*Rev. Mark*

Pastor Matthew C. Harrison  
President, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

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### Acolyte Schedule Next Week

|                |             |                |                  |                |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|
| <b>Jan. 13</b> | Abbi Heller | <b>Jan. 14</b> | Nicole Marquette | Ethan Schauder |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|

### SCRIP Schedule Next Week

|                |             |                |             |             |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Jan. 13</b> | Sheila Bahr | <b>Jan. 14</b> | Patti Rosin | Amy Schmidt |
|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|

## EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

|               |             |  |
|---------------|-------------|--|
| <b>SUN.</b>   | <b>1/7</b>  | 8:00am Worship – Holy Communion<br>9:00am Fellowship (Board of Parish Fellowship)<br>9:15am Sunday School<br>9:15am Bible Study (Martin Luther)<br>10:15am Worship – Holy Communion    |
| <b>MON.</b>   | <b>1/8</b>  | 7:30am Strong Bones<br>6:00pm Board of Trustees<br>6:00pm Board of Parish Fellowship   |
| <b>TUES.</b>  | <b>1/9</b>  | 7:00am Bible Study<br>8:00am Quilting<br>7:00pm Church Council   |
| <b>WED.</b>   | <b>1/10</b> | 4:00–6:00pm Food Pantry<br>5:00pm Public School Confirmation Class<br>6:00pm 5/6 Grade Confirmation Class<br>6:00pm Bell Choir<br>6:30pm Youth and Youth Board Meeting<br>7:05pm Choir |
| <b>THURS.</b> | <b>1/11</b> | 2:00pm Women’s Bible Study   |
| <b>FRI.</b>   | <b>1/12</b> | 7:30am Strong Bones<br>SCRIP due by noon   |
| <b>SAT.</b>   | <b>1/13</b> | 7:00pm Worship ( <b>WRLHS Choir sings</b> )  |
| <b>SUN.</b>   | <b>1/14</b> | 8:00am Worship<br>9:00am Fellowship (Altar Guild)<br>9:15am Sunday School<br>9:15am Bible Study (Martin Luther)<br>10:15am Worship   |



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