

**Welcome to Glory Lutheran Church**



## Baptism of Our Lord

**January 9, 2022**

We are glad you are here this morning!

Your presence enriches our worship! May we experience God's presence in our time together, in words and actions, songs and prayers, silence and conversation.

Whether you have worshipped with us before, would like to make this your church home, or are visiting for the day, you are most welcome!

***Reaching Up... Reaching Out... Reaching In...***

# Gathering Song - We Three Kings of Orient Are

*sing verses 1, 2, 5*



1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a - far,  
2 Born a king on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I bring to crown him a - gain;  
3 Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense owns a de - i - ty night;  
4 Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a life of gath - er - ing gloom  
5 Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and God and Sac - ri - fice;



field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
king for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er, o - ver us all to reign.  
prayer and prais - ing, glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship - ing God Most High.  
sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.  
heav'n sings al - le - lu - ia: al - le - lu - ia the earth re - plies.



## *Refrain*



Oh, star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty bright;



west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!



Text: John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1820–1891, alt.

Music: THREE KINGS OF ORIENT, John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1820–1891

## Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the pastor begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
who creates us,  
redeems us,  
and calls us by name.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and  
of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we have sinned against you  
and your beloved children.**

**We have turned our faces away from your glory  
when it did not appear as we expected.**

**We have rejected your word  
when it made us confront ourselves.**

**We have failed to show hospitality  
to those you called us to welcome.**

**Accept our repentance for the things we have done  
and the things we have left undone.**

**For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe  
in the glory of your Son born among us,  
and reflect your love for all creation.**

**Amen.**

P: Rejoice in this good news:

In + Christ your sins are forgiven  
You are descendants of the Most High,  
adopted into the household of Christ,  
and inheritors of eternal life.

Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

**C: Amen.**

## Greeting

### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### Sharing of the Peace

*Please take time to say "Peace be with you" as directed by the Pastor.*

### Song of Praise - Come and Sing Praises

Psalm 29:2

Ascribe to the Lord O mighty ones,  
Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength,  
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name;  
Worship the Lord in the beauty of His holiness.

Come and sing praises to the Rock of all ages,  
Come and sing praises to Jesus, my Lord.  
Come and adore Him, bow down before Him.  
Come and sing praises to Jesus, our Lord.

### Repeat

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## Children's Time

### First Lesson:

Isaiah 43:1-7

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 29

L: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**C: Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name;  
worship the LORD in holy splendor.**

L: The voice of the LORD is over the waters;  
the God of glory thunders,  
the LORD, over mighty waters.

**C: The voice of the LORD is powerful;  
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.**

L: The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

**C: He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

L: The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

**C: The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

L: The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl,  
and strips the forest bare;  
and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

**C: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.**

L: May the LORD give strength to his people!

**C: May the LORD bless his people with peace!**

### Second Lesson: Acts 8:14-17

L: Word of God, Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation



Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,



hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

Text: Traditional

Music: SYRIAN HALLELUJAH, Syrian traditional

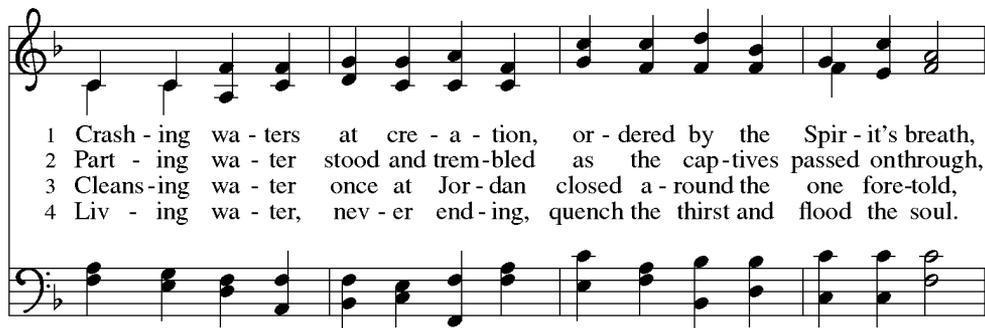
## Gospel Lesson: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

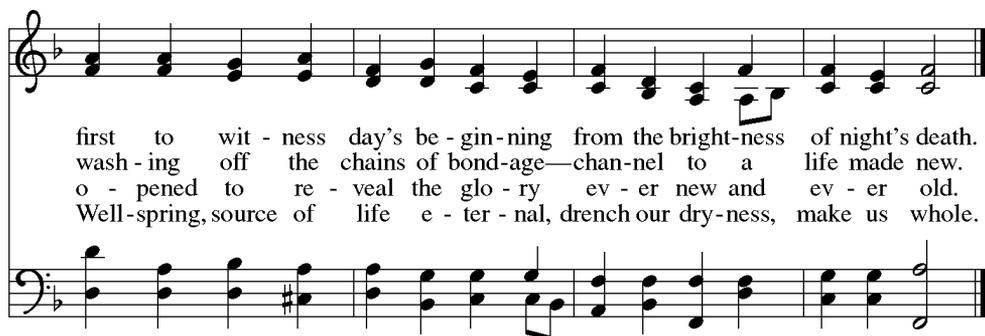
P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

### SERMON

#### Hymn of the Day - Crashing Waters at Creation



1 Crash - ing wa - ters at cre - a - tion, or - dered by the Spir - it's breath,  
2 Part - ing wa - ter stood and trem - bled as the cap - tives passed on through,  
3 Cleans - ing wa - ter once at Jor - dan closed a - round the one fore - told,  
4 Liv - ing wa - ter, nev - er end - ing, quench the thirst and flood the soul.



first to wit - ness day's be - gin - ning from the bright - ness of night's death.  
wash - ing off the chains of bond - age—chan - nel to a life made new.  
o - pened to re - veal the glo - ry ev - er new and ev - er old.  
Well - spring, source of life e - ter - nal, drench our dry - ness, make us whole.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: STUTTGART, atr. Christian F. Witt, 1660–1716; adapt. Henry J. Gauntlett, 1805–1876

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## Confession of Faith - Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped  
and glorified, who has spoken through the  
prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and  
apostolic church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness  
of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

## Prayers

### Prayer Response:

**P: God of grace, C: hear our prayer.**

## **Offering**

*As you leave, you may place your offering onto the plate located at the back of the church or use the online options available on our website.*

## **Offertory Prayer**

Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. **Amen.**

## **Communion Song - All Who Are Thirsty**

All who are thirsty, all who are weak,  
Come to the fountain, dip your heart in the stream of life.  
Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away  
In the waves of His mercy, as deep cries out to deep.  
We sing, "Come, Lord Jesus, come.  
Come, Lord, Jesus, come."

All who are thirsty, all who are weak,  
Come to the fountain, dip your heart in the stream of life.  
Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away  
In the waves of His mercy, as deep cries out to deep.  
We sing, "Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come."  
As deep cries out to deep. As deep cries out to deep.  
We sing, "Come, Lord Jesus, come. Come, Lord Jesus, come."

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## Holy Communion

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory,**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

## Words of Institution

### The Lord's Prayer

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

*We share the bread and wine together.  
Family members may serve each other.*

P: The body of Christ, given for you.  
*Response: Amen.*

P: The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
*Response: Amen.*

### Post Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

### BLESSING

### Announcements

### Sending Song - Bright and Glorious is the Sky *sing verses 2, 3, 5*

1 Bright and glo - rious is the sky, ra - dant are the  
2 On that ho - ly Christ-mas night through the dark - ness  
3 Sa - ges from the east a - far, when they saw this  
4 Him they found in Beth - le - hem, yet he wore no

heav - ens high where the gold - en stars are shin - ing.  
beamed a light; all the stars a - bove were pal - ing.  
won - drous star, went to find the king of na - tions  
di - a - dem; there they saw a maid - en low - ly

All their rays to earth in - clin - ing beck - on us to  
all their lus - ter slow - ly fail - ing as the won - drous  
and to of - fer their ob - la - tions to the child, the  
with an in - fant pure and ho - ly rest - ing in her

heav'n a - bove, beck - on us to heav'n a - bove.  
star drew nigh, as the won - drous star drew nigh.  
new - born king, to the child, the new - born king.  
lov - ing arms, rest - ing in her lov - ing arms.

5 Guided by the star, they found  
him whose praise the ages sound.  
We too have a star to guide us,  
which forever will provide us  
with the light to find our Lord,  
with the light to find our Lord.

6 And this star, as bright as day,  
that will never lead astray  
with its message so appealing,  
is the Word of God, revealing  
Christ, the way, the truth, the life,  
Christ, the way, the truth, the life.

Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Jens Christian Aaberg, 1877–1970, alt.  
Music: DEJLIG ER DEN HIMMEL BLÅ, Danish, 19th cent.  
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## Dismissal

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***If you are able, please consider staying after the service, it would be appreciated if you could help bring the boxes and bins back into the church from the trailer so the Christmas decorations can be taken down during the coming week. Please see Liz Wood.***

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### **Are you new to Glory Lutheran Church?**

Those who want to be baptized or confirmed, or are coming to us from other denominations, are invited to the **Welcome Sessions at 9am at the church on the five Sundays prior to the New Member Sunday on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022.**

Contact the office or Pastor Markus for more information.

## Thank You

to those who made contributions to this week's bulletin and to members who assisted in today's service.

### Worship Planners, Altar Guild, Musicians, AV Techs,

**Greeters:** \*

**Usher:** \*

**Reader:** \*

**Church Lock-Up:** Pat Becker

### \*\*\*Service Volunteers Needed!\*\*\*

*Greeters, Ushers, Readers, Children's Time Story Tellers, Counters.*

*To volunteer, please sign up on the sheet on the easel in the Narthex, or contact the office.*

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### Attendance & Offering:

	Online	In-Person	Offering
January 2	28	32	\$3293.30

*PAR totals will be reported here monthly. Other electronic offerings will be included in the total reported in the Finance Corner in the newsletter.*

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### Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 62:1-5, Psalm 36:5-10, 1 Corinthians 12:1-11, John 2:1-11

### The service this morning will be both recorded and live streamed.

This can be accessed on Glory's website in the same way that the online worship services were in the past months. If there is a technological glitch and live streaming does not work, a recording will be available on the website later in the day.

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## CHURCH MINISTRIES

**God's story is big enough for all of us.**

Our part, no matter how big or how small, is important in God's plan.

What is your part? Is it praying for those in our church and community, is it teaching Sunday School, is it in tithing, is it folding bulletins, is it welcoming folks into our church, is it serving on Church Council?

We know the arrival of Jesus was a surprise to every human on earth. In this story of the poor, uneducated, rural and young, we meet an unwed teenage pregnant girl, a carpenter thinking about getting married and starting a family, and the lowly shepherds.

What did these people, Mary, Joseph, and the shepherds, do to become key players in God's movement of history?

Nothing.

They were just living their lives, and they listened when called of God.

We don't have to struggle to be used by God.

We don't have to hustle our way into His plan.

We don't have to figure out how to be a part of His movement.

He will use us.

As we are.

Where we are.

Who we are.

We, - just like Mary, Joseph, the shepherds - have to be willing to

listen  
and  
respond.

What are you trying to do - to become - to get - to accomplish ---  
SO THAT you may be used of God?

Think about where you are right now. How much more influence you have than the shepherds. How much more education, and resources than Joseph. How much more of the story you know than Mary.

What can you do RIGHT NOW - TODAY - to respond to God's call.

What can you do NOW - to play your part in His story?

PRAY THIS:

*Emmanuel,  
God with us,  
I don't understand why you choose to work  
through the people you do.  
I don't even know why you want to include me, or how.  
But I trust that you do.  
Give me ears to hear what you are calling me to,  
and eyes to see the needs,  
that are right around me,  
right where I am  
right now.  
Exactly as I am.*

*I trust that your story is big enough to include even people like  
Mary, and Joseph, and the shepherds, and me.*

*Amen*



To see how you can serve at church, contact any of your council members through the church office at [glory.office@glorylutheran.ca](mailto:glory.office@glorylutheran.ca)

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