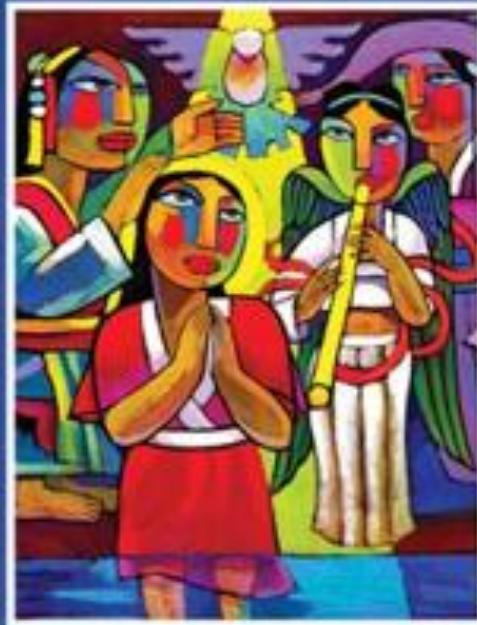


THIS IS
MY SON,
THE
BELOVED

MATTHEW 3:17



Baptism of Our Lord

January 11, 2026 9:30AM

Jefferson Prairie Lutheran Church

*As a community called by Christ,
we live our faith by loving and serving all creation*

Prelude
Announcements
Welcome

Please stand as you are able

GATHERING *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God*

Thanksgiving for Baptism

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

Amen.

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.

... in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

"Shall We Gather at the River"

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Greeting

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

And also with you.

Canticle of Praise

Glory to God

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Prayer of the Day

... one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

WORD *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

First Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

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The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Second Reading

Acts 10:34-43

p 1002

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Choir Anthem

Cantate Domino

Choir

Children's Message

Please stand as you are able

Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, chapter 3.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 3:13-17

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Response to Gospel

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

Pr. Mary Pharmer

Silence for Meditation *We pause in contemplation of God's word, preparing to respond with song*

Please stand as you are able

Message Response

"Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized"

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Profession of Faith

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

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

Affirmation of Baptism

... and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

... in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Petition response: **receive our prayer.**

... that your promise is revealed among the people.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL *God feeds us with the presence of Christ*

Offerings Place offerings in the plate at the sanctuary entrance, mail to the church, or give through our website or Tithe.ly App. Thank you for your financial support of our ministry.

Presentation of Gifts

"We Are an Offering"

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Offering Prayer

God of majesty,
no eye has seen, no ear has heard
what you have prepared for those who love you,
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.
Use what we have gathered
to feed us with the reign of God come near,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

. . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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 Promise

Lord's Prayer

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

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.

Please be seated

Communion

All are welcome at God's table. Communion is by intinction. You will receive the wafer and then dip it into the wine. Gluten-Free wafers are available by request.

Communion Hymns

"Spirit of Gentleness"

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"Crashing Waters at Creation"

#455

"Remember and Rejoice"

#454

Please stand as you are able

Post Communion Blessing & Prayer

SENDING *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world*

Blessing

May the triune God,
who has put a new song in your mouth
and tuned your heart for praise
☩ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

Bell Toll

Sending Hymn

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

Thanks be to God.

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Worship Leaders

Terry Pearson—Livestream

Carol and Margaret Hansen — Ushers/greeters

Ray Vance – Reader

Jameson Dredske and Hayden Olson — Acolytes

Steve Mentele – Choir Director

Robin Hoefer – Pianist

Mary Pharmer – Pastor



1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv - er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow-ing by the throne of God?
 we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
 grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro-vide a robe and crown.
 soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.



Refrain

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Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

SERVICE OF THE WORD **213**



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Refrain
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



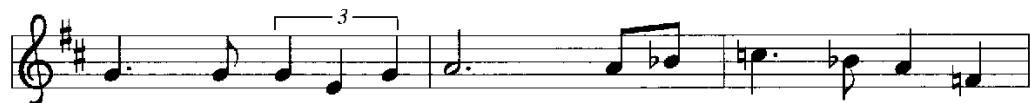
glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Refrain
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Final refrain



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on



earth, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized 304



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spir - it on you
 2 God called you, "My be - lov - ed Son"; you are God's ser - vant
 3 Straight-way and stead-fast un - til death you then o - beyed the
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spir - it, Lord; your cross on us be



came, as peace - ful as a dove, and yet as
 true, sent to pro - claim the reign of heav'n, God's
 call to serve with free and will - ing heart, to
 signed, that like - wise in God's ser - vice we may



ur - gent as a flame, as ur - gent as a flame.
 ho - ly will to do, God's ho - ly will to do.
 give your life for all, to give your life for all.
 per - fect free - dom find, may per - fect free - dom find.



We Are an Offering

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We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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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.



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Remember and Rejoice



1 Re - mem - ber and re - joice, re - newed by floods of grace.
2 In life, in death, we trust in God's most ho - ly name,
3 We pledge our - selves a - new to flee the lures of hell,
4 God, bless us by your grace; re - mind us of your care.
5 Re - mem - ber and re - joice, re - newed by floods of grace.



We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - rase.
for - ev - er traced by wa - ter sign, and sealed by Spir - it flame.
to cling to Christ's com - mu - ni - ty, in jus - tice, peace to dwell.
Re - new-ing Spir - it, fill us now, in - spire our work, our prayer.
We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - rase.



Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

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The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

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1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
 2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel

Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - - ings
 bur - - dened free; where hope is dim, to
 joy like seed and, all our days, to
 to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -

to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
 share a dream and help the blind to see.
 cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
 pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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CHESTERFIELD

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Announcements for January 11, 2026

Welcome! We are happy you are here today!

- **Families:** It is our hope that you will find a comfortable way to worship at JP. There are activity bags in the Narthex for young children to use during worship. There is also a large pew area, "Prayground", on the righthand side of the Sanctuary, near the pulpit, that is available for families to use.
- **Large Print Bulletins and Hymns** are available in the narthex in a red binder. Ask the ushers!
- **Visitors:** Sign the **Visitor's Book** and pick up a visitor's bag located on the table in the Connecting Room.

Keep in prayer: June Bates, Mary Carlson, Judy Clark (sister-in-law of Bill), Dean Erickson (Brett's dad), Jill Fiorenza (Jim Baker's Sister), Barb Grenawalt, David Hagemann, Cindy Peterson (Ted & Julie's sister-in-law), Brad Pfaff (son-in-law of Mary Jane), Don Seeger, Ron Torkilson, Lynn Tracy, Mary Jane Tracy, Susan (Svenson) Witte. **Please contact Pastor Wade with any changes in requests.**

Welcome and thanks to Pastor Mary Pharmer for being here today!

"Emergency" Pastoral Care will be provided by Pastor Kalen Barkholtz, Christ Lutheran Church of Sharon, January 5-January 13. In case of urgent request/hospitalization she may be reached at **608-774-0212**.

Lucy's phone number in the Prairie Light SHOULD BE **608-295-6805**.

Movie Night: The Lutefisk Wars is scheduled for January 14th @ 5:30pm. Invite a friend and come watch in Fellowship Hall.

Neighborhood Dinner is Wednesday, January 21st 5:30pm-6:30pm. Italian Beef Sandwiches are on the menu. Sign-up on the Connecting Room Board.

Donations of 27 pair gloves, 6 scarves, 42 hats, 11 pair socks were donated between Clinton Community Elementary and Manchester Elementary.

Congregational Annual Meeting will be held Sunday, January 25th following worship. If needed, reschedule date will be February 1st. **Please pick up a copy of the Annual Report after worship on Sunday, January 18th or stop by during office hours the following week.**

Lamp Request: Does anyone have a USED floor lamp or table lamp that they would like to part with? The office is looking for one of each. **Please do not purchase anything.**

Sharing Your Offering: Thank you for your generosity that supports God's ministry here at Jefferson Prairie and our mission partners. There are multiple options for sharing your offering.

***Offering plates** are located on stands by the entrance to the sanctuary.

***Give online** at www.jplchurch.org. Click on the GIVE tab at the top to be directed to Tithe.ly.

***Mail** your check to church: 23184 Bergen Rd. Poplar Grove, IL 61065

Online worship available at: <https://www.facebook.com/jeffersonprairie/live/> and www.jplchurch.org homepage. Click on Sermons on the website to watch previous worship services. The bulletin is under Sermon Notes.

NOTE: This worship service is being livestreamed.

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, January 11		Baptism of Our Lord
	9:30 am	Worship
		Fellowship
		Youth-Music & SS
Tuesday, January 13	9:00am	Quilting
Wednesday, January 14	5:30pm	Movie Night: The Lutefisk Wars
	6:30pm	Confirmation
Sunday, January 18	9:30am	Worship
		Fellowship
		Youth-Music & SS
		Annual Reports Available