

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

Peachtree City, Georgia

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THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

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Luanne Harms, Contemporary Worship Director
☐ = Pastor ☑ = All ☒ = Leader

PRELUDE: TAKE UP YOUR SPADE

Verse 1

Sun is up, a new day is before you
Sun is up, wake your sleepy soul
Sun is up, hold on to what is yours
Take up your spade and break ground

Verse 2

Shake off your shoes, leave yesterday behind you
Shake off your shoes, but forget not where you've been
Shake off your shoes, forgive and be forgiven
Take up your spade and break ground

Verse 3

Give thanks, for all that you've been given
Give thanks, for who you can become
Give thanks, for each moment and every crumb
Take up your spade and break ground
Break ground, break ground, break ground

Songwriter: Sara Watkins

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

OPENING SONG: HOLY WATER

Verse 1

God I'm on my knees again
God I'm begging please again
I need You, oh I need You
Walking down these desert roads
Water for my thirsty soul
I need You, oh I need You

Chorus

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears
Like holy water (on my skin)

Verse 2

Dead man walking slave to sin
I wanna know about being born again
I need You, oh God I need You
So take me to the riverside
Take me under baptize
I need You, oh God I need You oh

Chorus

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears
Like holy water (on my skin)

Bridge (4x)

I don't wanna abuse Your grace
God I need it ev'ry day
It's the only thing that ever really
Makes me wanna change

Chorus (2x)

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears
Like holy water (on my skin)

Ending

Yeah it's like holy water on my skin
Oh it's like holy water

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↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

☒ Let us pray.

O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☑ Amen.



FIRST LESSON: Acts 10:34-43

- 📖 Our First Lesson is from the book of Acts, the 10th chapter.

Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]:

“I truly understand that God shows no partiality,
³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.

³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced:

³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

- 📖 Word of God, Word of Life.

👉 **Thanks be to God.**

⬆️ **GOSPEL: Matthew 3:13-17**

- 📖 The Gospel according to Matthew, the 3rd chapter.

👉 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented.

¹⁶And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.

¹⁷And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

- 📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

👉 **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Fritz

SONG OF THE DAY: THE RIVER

Verse 1

**I know a place where we can go
 To lay the troubles down eating your soul
 I know a place where mercy flows
 Take the stains make you whiter than snow**

Pre-Chorus

**Like a tide it is rising up deep inside
 A current that moves and makes ya come alive
 Living water that brings the dead to life, Oh oh**

Chorus

**We're goin' down to the river
 Down to the river
 Down to the river to pray**

**Let's get washed by the water
 Washed by the water
 And rise up in amazing grace**

**Let's go down down down to the river
 You will leave changed
 Let's go down down down to the river
 Never the same**

Verse 2

**I've seen it move in my own life
 Took me from dusty roads into Paradise
 All of my dirt all of my shame
 Drowned in the streams that have made me born again**

Pre-Chorus

**Like a tide it is rising up deep inside
 A current that moves and makes ya come alive
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Bridge

**Let's go down, Oo oo oo
 Let's go down, Oo oo oo
 Let's go down**



Chorus

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And rise up in amazing grace**

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Ending

Oh down

Oo oo oo

**Gotta go gotta go gotta go down in amazing grace
Let's go down down down to the river
Gotta go gotta go gotta go down in amazing grace**

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OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

- ☐ Let us confess our baptismal faith together.
- ☑ **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
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.
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.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

When the petition concludes "God, in your mercy,"
please respond, "**hear our prayer.**"

When the prayers conclude, please respond, "**Amen.**"

OFFERING

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We acknowledge that you may have given
Online or through the mail. Thank you.

**OFFERING SONG: LAST SONG**

**May your peace be anchor in stormy tide
May your hope run like a river that'll never run dry
May your burdens grow light, may your worries subside
This is my prayer for you**

**May your soul grow deep, may your joy run wild
May your heart know the face of mercy has smiled
May your faith come to let you believe like a child
This is my prayer for you
This is my prayer for you**

THE 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.**
- ☐ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we
should at all times and in all places give thanks and
praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through
our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people
with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom
you will also make all things new in the day when
he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And
so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on
earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

- ☐ In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus
took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to
his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body,
given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed
for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- ☑ **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our
daily bread; forgive us our sins, as we
forgive those who sin against us;
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us
from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and
the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

SHARING COMMUNION AT CHURCH**or at home with your household**

*Please approach the altar as directed by an usher.
You will be offered a wafer, and you may dip it into
the chalice containing wine or white grape juice.
Or, you may choose a prepackaged kit.*

COMMUNION SONG: HE TURNED THE WATER INTO WINE*Chorus*

**He turned the water into wine
He turned the water into wine
In the little Cana town, the word went all around that...
He turned the water into wine**

Verse 1

**Well, he walked upon the Sea of Galilee
He walked upon the Sea of Galilee
Shouted far and wide, He calmed the raging tide and
Walked upon the Sea of Galilee**

Chorus

**He turned the water into wine (did my Lord now?)
He turned the water into wine
In the little Cana town, the word went all around that...
He turned the water into wine**

Verse 2

**He fed the hungry multitude
He fed the hungry multitude
With a little bit of fish and bread
They said everyone was fed
He fed the hungry multitude**

Chorus

**He turned the water into wine
He turned the water into wine
(didn't the carpenter from Nazareth?)
In the little Cana town, the word went all around that...
He turned the water into wine
He turned the water into wine**

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING and BENDICTION

☐ God the eternal Word, who dwells with us in Jesus,
and who holds us in the grace of the Holy Spirit,
✠ bless you now and forever.

☑ **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: THE RIVER*Verse 1*

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I know a place where mercy flows
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Pre-Chorus

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Chorus

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Bridge

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Let's go down, Oo oo oo
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Chorus

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DISMISSAL

- L** Go in peace, with God beside you.
 Invite everyone to Jesus' pathway of joy and life!
- C** **Thanks be to God.**