

The Baptism of Our Lord

Grace Lutheran Church
9am Contemporary Worship
January 12, 2025



GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Songs

“Glorious Day” (Passion)
“Who You Say I Am” (Hillsong Worship)

Call to Worship

Prayer of the Day & Sharing of the Peace

WORD

Scripture Reading

Luke 3.15 – 17, 21 – 22

Reflection

Song

“No Longer Slaves” (Bethel Music)

Prayers of the People

MEAL

Thanksgiving for Baptismal Waters

The Story of the Last Supper & The Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Song – New Song

“King of Kings” (Hillsong Worship)

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Blessing & Dismissal

Music as You Depart¹

“King of Kings” (Reprise)

¹*You are welcome to remain in the worship space & listen to the music, or you are free to depart the sanctuary as you are moved to do so.*

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Good morning & Welcome to Grace

***Our mission is to invite and welcome all
to the fellowship of Christ in service to our community.***

Listen! God's voice comes from heaven to call us by name, speak to the earth, shake the wilderness, and to anoint "the Beloved." Listen! God's word surrounds this day with power and majesty and "in the temple of the LORD all are crying, 'Glory!'" (Ps. 29:9). In this season of epiphanies, today's miraculous encounter with the living God immerses us in the sound of God's voice and bathes us in God's baptismal promise. Let all who have breath, praise the Lord!

We are glad you are with us for worship today, and we offer a special welcome to any guests who may be with us this morning, and to all those who are joining us via Live-Stream.

Children are welcome in worship at Grace! The voices of children only enhance worship, and they are welcome in this space! There is a Children's Corner in the sanctuary and a nursery off the lobby.

In thanksgiving to God for the saving grace shown to all of us in the death and resurrection of Christ, we celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion each week. All are welcome at the Table. We do come forward to the front of the sanctuary for communion. The Pastor stands in the center of the aisle with the bread. Gluten free bread is available – just ask when you come forward. Finally, communion assistants are located on both sides of the sanctuary, with both **wine (red)** and **juice (white)**. Please place your empty cup in the bowl on your way back to your seat after you commune.

For those participating from home, please have a small glass of wine or juice and a small piece of bread available for all who are planning to commune. When we come to the Meal portion of the service, and the people who are present in person are coming forward, please eat your bread and drink your cup as you are moved to do so.

If you have questions about our worship service, please don't hesitate to ask someone around you. For more information about Baptism or Communion, about what Lutherans believe, or even about Grace Lutheran Church, please do not hesitate to reach out to our pastor.

Again, we're glad you're here! Welcome to worship!