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First Sunday after the Epiphany

The Baptism of our Lord

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Order of Service

Opening Hymn	<i>See Hymn Board</i>
Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity	<i>BCP, p. 355</i>
<i>Gloria</i>	<i>Hymnal, S280</i>
The Collect of the Day	
Readings	
Sequence Hymn	<i>See Hymn Board</i>
The Sermon	The Rev. Canon Kevin J. Moroney, PhD
The Nicene Creed	<i>BCP, p. 358</i>
Prayers of the People, Form IV	<i>BCP, p. 388</i>
Confession	<i>BCP, p. 360</i>
The Peace of the Lord	
Birthday and Anniversary Blessings	
Offertory Hymn	<i>See Hymn Board</i>
The Offertory	
The Great Thanksgiving ~ Eucharistic Prayer A	<i>BCP, p. 361</i>
<i>Sanctus</i>	<i>Hymnal, S130</i>
<i>(Following the Sanctus, please kneel or sit, as you are able).</i>	
The Lord's Prayer	<i>BCP, p. 364</i>
The Breaking of the Bread	<i>BCP, p. 364</i>
<i>Agnus Dei</i>	<i>Hymnal, S164</i>
The Communion	
Communion Hymn	<i>See Hymn Board</i>
Post Communion Prayer	<i>BCP, p. 365</i>
The Blessing	
Dismissal Hymn	<i>See Hymn Board</i>
The Dismissal	
Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.	
<i>People:</i> Thanks be to God.	

The Collect

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Old Testament

Isaiah 43:1-7

Thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth--everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, * ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; * worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; * the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; * the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; * the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, * and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord splits the 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 oak trees writhe * and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the Lord * all are crying, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; * the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.

The Lord shall give strength to his people; * the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

The Epistle Acts 8:14-17

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Gospel Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Response before the Gospel: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased. "

Response after the Gospel: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*