Holy Baptism

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LEVAS 194

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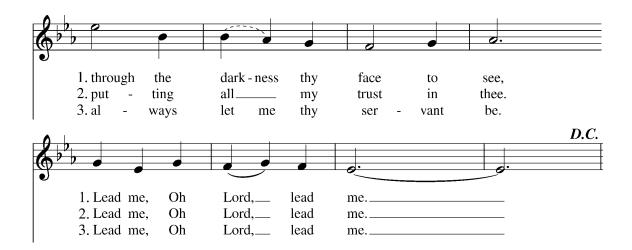
Prelude

All stand as they are able

Opening Hymn

Lead me, guide me





Presider	Blessed be + God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People	And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
Presider	There is one Body and one Spirit;
People	There is one hope in God's call to us;
Presider	One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People	One God and Father of all.

Collect of the Day

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

All sit.

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

⁷Thus says the Lord:
Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel."
⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.
With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Reader The Word of the Lord.*People* Thanks be to God.

Remain seated

Psalm 126

1When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, * then were we like those who dream.
2Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of joy.
3Then they said among the nations, * "The Lord has done great things for them."
4The Lord has done great things for us, * and we are glad indeed.
5Restore our fortunes, O Lord, * like the watercourses of the Negev.
6Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of joy.
7Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Second Reading

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

²³The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but [Christ] holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Hebrews 7:23-28

to be prayed in unison

Sequence Hymn

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Jesus loves me



Holy Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

GospellerThe Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesus and his disciples] came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.

When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

GospellerThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

Bill Stech

Sermon

Holy Baptism

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Presider blesses the water of Baptism

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it, your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Presider dips the foot of the Paschal Candle three times into the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus



Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen**.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

The candidate, parents and godparents, stand as they are able.

The Presider says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsors

I present Georgia Lynn Jaynes to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Presider then asks the Parents and Godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Presider asks the following questions of the candidate

Question	Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?
Answer	I renounce them.
Question	Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
Answer	I renounce them.
Question	Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?
Answer	I renounce them.
Question	Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?
Answer	I do.
Question	Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?
Answer	I do.
Question	Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?
Answer	I do.

The Presider then addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

People We will.

The Presider then says

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ, and renew our own baptismal covenant.

All stand as they are able

The Baptismal Covenant

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.



Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People 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.

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? *People* I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? *People* I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

Intercessor	Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Intercessor	Open her heart to your grace and truth.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Intercessor	Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Intercessor	Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Intercessor	Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Intercessor	Send her into the world in witness to your love.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Intercessor	Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.

The Presider then says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen**.

The Baptism

The candidate is presented by name to the Presider, who then pours water upon the candidate, saying

Georgia Lynn, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**.

Then the Presider places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying

Georgia, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen**.

When this action has been completed, a baptismal candle is lit and given to the newly baptized.

The Presider, at a place in full sight of the congregation, then prays over the newly baptized, saying Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen**.

The Presider then says

Let us welcome the newly baptized:

Presider and People then say

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

All remain standing as they are able.

The Prayers of the People

Presider Sisters and brothers, children of God, the Lord shall give us the blessings of strength and peace. Beloved of God, let us pray, "Walk with us through the waters, O God; walk with us through the fire."

Intercessor Deliver your Church, O God, from fear. Strengthen those you have redeemed by your presence. Give us all the courage to keep our baptismal promises. Walk with us through the waters, O God; **walk with us through the fire.**

Silence is kept.

O God, you have blessed us to be members of your household. Strengthen the unity of the Church—those serving you in the east, west, north, and south. Walk with us through the waters, O God; walk with us through the fire.

Silence is kept.

Break down the walls of division in our city and our nation. Bring us together as one human family, formed and made by your great and gentle hands. Walk with us through the waters, O God; walk with us through the fire.

Silence is kept.

O God, you are ruler of all things in heaven and earth. Hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all a burning heart for our congregation, and all things necessary for our common life, and the embrace of the ministries with which you have gifted everyone. Bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church. Walk with us through the waters, O God; walk with us through the fire.

Silence is kept

Holy One, we rely on, and give thanks for, your divine wisdom, knowledge and understanding. We ask for the Spirit of discernment, that we each may be enabled to make those decisions that will lead us to the serving of your church in this place. Walk with us through the waters, O God; walk with us through the fire.

Silence is kept

Heal and comfort your beloved children, O God. Be with the needy and the sick in their trials [especially_____]. May they know that they are precious in your sight.

Your power, O God, is evident in the mysteries of our universe. By water and your Holy Spirit you have made us a new people. We give you thanks and praise for all the blessings you give us [especially _____].

Heavenly Parent, you have accepted us as your children. You have made us heirs with Christ. In your great mercy, receive us, and all who have died, into glory everlasting [remembering especially_____]. Walk with us through the waters, O God; walk with us through the fire.

Silence is kept.

Presider Almighty and transcendent God, your glory fills all creation, and your authority extends beyond time and forever: Let your Spirit open our lives to your grace and truth, that we may always see your Christ at his coming, to whom be glory and dominion forever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Presider says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark* 12:29-31

A Minister then says

Let us confess our sins to God.

All remain standing, or kneel, as they are able. Silence is kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

A Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, + forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

Peace

All stand as they are able.

PresiderThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

The Ministers and the People may offer God's peace to one another in the name of the Lord.

The People then are seated.

Announcements

Holy Communion

Communion is not a reward. It is not a privilege for the righteous. It is an invitation to step towards God's table, where everyone has enough, and everyone has a place.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the Presider.

The people stand when the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar

Offertory Hymn

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, you heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The people remain standing.

Great Thanksgiving

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Presider	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, raising your unending praise as we proclaim:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people continue to stand, or kneel, as they are able.

The Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify + them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify + us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son, Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

The Presider then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

The Presider says

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!** These are the Gifts of God. **And we are the people of God.**

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

After all who desire have received, the Presider says

Let us pray.

Presider and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

A priest blesses the people, saying

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God;

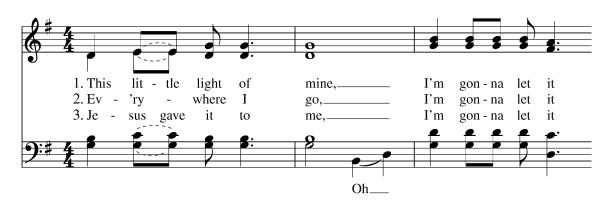
and the blessing of God Almighty, **+** the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.



Concluding Hymn

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This little light of mine





Dismissal

Minister And now, my siblings in Christ, I bid you go out as did St Barnabas, the Encourager. Go out with a good heart, full of peace and joy, to love and serve our Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!



Congratulations to the newly Baptized and her Family!

Georgia Lynn Jaynes, daughter of Katherine and Patrick Jaynes, sister of Anabelle and Grace. Georgia's godparents are Jason and Beth Hewitt. Grandmother: Jan Varady.

This week in prayer

Please remember these persons and congregations in your prayers this week:

Our Bishops Bonnie, Michael, Sean, Justin, Moises (TEC); Elizabeth, Donald and Craig (ELCA)

and for all priests, deacons, Ministry Teams, and those in formation

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

October 27 The Scottish Episcopal Church

Diocese of Michigan Cycle of Prayer:

October 27 St George's Milford; St Bartholomew, San Cristobal, DR

St Barnabas Cycle of Prayer: Mary V, Michael V, Kathy W

and our continuing prayers for: Jim M, Joan, Mardi, Pat, Robert, Selenah

Faith in Action provides leadership in collecting donations to support households in need in the Chelsea and Dexter areas. They are in need of our continuing help. You may bring your donations to FIA, or to Nancy who will see that they get there. **If you bring food directly to FIA**, please let Nancy know, so she can continue to keep our records of donation. If you write a check, please make it to *Faith In Action*, with "St Barnabas" on the memo line. The **next Food Drive at the church** is **Sunday, November 17**. Please contribute as generously as you can.

Upcoming Commemorations

October 28 Simon and Jude, Apostles

- 29 James Hannington, Bishop, and his Companions, Martyrs, 1885
- 30 Maryam of Qidun, Monastic, 4th c.; and,
 - John Wyclif: Priest and Prophetic Witness, 1384
 - 31 The Eve of All Saints/All Hallows' Eve; and, Paul Shinji Sasaki, Bishop of Mid-Japan, and of Tokyo, 1946, and Philip Lindel Tsen, Bishop of Honan, China, 1954

November 01 All Saints' Day

02 All Souls' Day/All the Faithful Departed

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BIBLE STUDIES

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Hebrews 7:23-28

This must have been a great task of the first hundred years of Christianity: convince the faithful Jews, of which Jesus of Nazareth was one, that the Messiah had actually already come and gone. So many

faithful adherents to the Hebrew Law lived during Jesus' years, unaware that the Messiah walked the earth somewhere far away, or even nearby (or even right in front of them.) Jesus' earliest apostles had a lot of convincing to do.

In this passage, the case is made that Jesus serves as a new priest, and furthermore, eternally. The power of Jesus' death and resurrection to change so much of their faithful practice must have been so difficult to hear, much less to adopt. And for hundreds of years, that remains the Christian task: spread the word that there was a man, born of God, fully divine while fully human, who will forever be your priest, as well as much, much more. The prophecy of Isaiah 53 has been fulfilled, as real as you and I now speak. Jesus came to be the Messiah, anointed as the greatest High Priest, and still is.

- What do you go to your priest for? What is the primary role that s/he serves?
- In what ways does Jesus serve as your priest as well?

Mark 10:46-52

In this short glance at Jesus' healing ministry, a blind beggar begins by sitting on the side of the road, then ends up on his feet, following Jesus. Is this the transformation that Jesus offers us too? Maybe so, but the middle part is critical. We have to call upon Jesus' holy name more than we call upon everyone else that passes by where we sit, because Jesus is the one with the healing power. The blind beggar knew this, and said, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" He would only do this if he had faith that Jesus could provide what he needed the most. And his own faith turned out to be the cure.

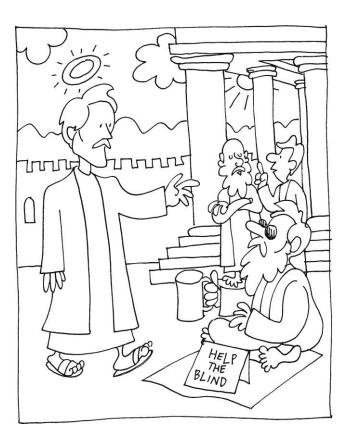
- What healing miracle would you call out to Jesus for, if he walked by where you sat today?
- What first inspired you to follow Jesus? What has continued to inspire you to follow Jesus?

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Our Mission:

We seek to grow as diverse disciples of Jesus Christ, and to serve Jesus by serving others in the world, guided by the values of Ancient Rites, Open Minds, and Affirming Hearts.



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