

# BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## Baptism of Our Lord

8:15 & 10:30 A.M. | SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019

## ✠ Gathering ✠

### PRELUDE

In Heaven Above

Aaron David Miller

*Please use the prelude as a quiet time to prepare yourself for worship.*

### WELCOME

*Please stand.*

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, 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.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

*You are invited to face the processional cross.*

### GATHERING HYMN

We are Baptized in Christ Jesus

Hymn #451

### 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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Cantor:*  *All:* 

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. 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.  
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. 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.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## ✠ Word ✠

### FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 43:1-7

Holy Bible p. 745 (OT)

*Near the end of Israel's exile in Babylon, God promises to bring them home. They need no longer be afraid, because the one who formed, created, and called them by name now redeems them from all their enemies. God declares them precious and honored, and God loves them.*

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

### SECOND LESSON

Acts 8:14-17

Holy Bible p. 131 (NT)

*Peter and John are sent to support the new Christians in Samaria, a group that was recently baptized after hearing the good news of Christ through the preaching of Philip. Here the Samaritans receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the laying on of hands.*

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## GOSPEL

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Holy Bible pp. 61-62 (NT)

*The reading opens with questions about the identity of the Messiah. John the Baptist insists that he is not the Messiah; instead he points ahead to one who is coming. And whether the voice of God was heard by all or only by Jesus, God settles the matter: Jesus is God's beloved Son.*

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY

Baptized and Set Free

Hymn #453

## ANNIVERSARY OF BAPTISM

## PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

*After sharing the Peace, please be seated.*

# ✠ Offering ✠

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Diapers, Young Adults, Care Packages

## OFFERING

Spirit Song (8:15 a.m.)

John Wimber

Arise, Shine, for Thy Light is Come (10:30 a.m.)

Healey Willan

*Please stand.*

## PRAYERS

# ✠ Meal ✠

## WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

### PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...  
...we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

### SANCTUS



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.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.*

## THE DISTRIBUTION

*Bethany welcomes all to receive the body and blood of Christ in Holy Communion. An usher will direct you forward for communion. There are several stations across the front of the seating sections. Groups are welcome to visit a communion station together. You will receive a piece of bread in your hand, please dip the bread into the cup of wine. Those who are not receiving communion are invited to receive a blessing. Note that the communion station at the center has gluten-free bread and alcohol-free wine.*

## LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; Grant us peace; Grant us peace.

## COMMUNION MUSIC

I Lift Your Name (8:15 a.m.)  
The Blessed Son of God (10:30 a.m.)

David Ruis  
Ralph Vaughan Williams

## COMMUNION HYMN

Now the Silence

Hymn #460

*You are invited to stand.*

## BLESSING

# ✠ Sending ✠

## BENEDICTION

## SENDING HYMN

Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God

Hymn #458

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune in A Major

David N. Johnson

## **WORSHIP LEADERS**

### **PASTORS**

Pastor Gary Sandberg, Pastor Brigitte Weier

### **INTERN**

Rachel Patterson

### **ORGANIST**

Rick Seaton

### **MUSICIANS**

Melissa Ramsey, Darla Reeves, & Paula Wills (8:15 a.m.)  
*Chancel Choir*, Dir. Dr. James Kim (10:30 a.m.)

### **ACOLYTES**

Joshua Cho, Peyton Fenner (10:30 a.m.)

### **LECTORS**

Don Abram (8:15 a.m.)  
Leslie Stevenson (10:30 a.m.)

### **USHERS**

Emmett "Frank" Osminer (8:15 a.m.)  
David Clausen, Clark Colton, Kenneth Hansen, Gail Luttinen,  
Diane McAllen, Steve Rogge, Jason Sorter (10:30 a.m.)

### **SACRISTAN**

(Coordinators: Dave Malucky)

Dave Malucky (8:15 a.m.)  
Michelle Stone Kraus (10:30 a.m.)

### **COMMUNION SERVERS**

Jeanette Arps Manos (8:15 a.m.)  
Martin Johnson, Lori Roenfeldt (10:30 a.m.)

### **SOUND TECHNICIANS**

(Coordinators: Forrest Guittar, Laura Romig)

Erik Boss, Trevor McLean

### **ALTAR GUILD**

Joyce Beabout, Kathy Good (8:15 a.m.)  
Gail Mullin (10:30 a.m.)

### **NURSERY ATTENDANT**

Michele Sum

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## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES | JANUARY 13, 2019

Sunday Worship: 8:15 & 10:30 a.m. | Watch live streaming and archived services at [www.BethanyLive.org](http://www.BethanyLive.org).

*We welcome our new worshippers today! Please fill out the welcome sheet in your bulletin, and place it in the offering plate. To learn more about Bethany's Bible ministries, pick up a "Life Together at Bethany" booklet at the Welcome Center or visit [www.bethany-denver.org](http://www.bethany-denver.org). Schedule a home visit with a pastor to discuss how Bethany's ministries might connect with your faith journey. Contact Nancy at [nancy@bethany-denver.org](mailto:nancy@bethany-denver.org) for more information about membership.*

### **TODAY AT BETHANY**

#### **New Adult Class "Bible + Life" Begins Today!**

This new lay-led class will explore how we can use the Bible to navigate our lives. Each week we will discuss a new topic; drop-ins are welcome! Join our conversation while your kids are in Sunday School, or before/after your worship hour. Class will be from 9:35-10:10 a.m. in Room 210. Contact Stephanie and Adam Davy with any questions, 303-324-5120.

**Diaper Drive:** We will be collecting diapers for *Inner City Health Center* TODAY and next Sunday, January 20. This will not be an ordinary diaper drive as Bethany Lutheran Church will be having a friendly competition with BECC! Please bring diapers in every size in January but note that the clinic has been short on sizes 3, 4, and 5. Contact [carrieoss@gmail.com](mailto:carrieoss@gmail.com) with questions.

**The Second Grade Lord's Prayer Milestone** will be today and on January 20 during the Sunday School time (9:30-10:15) in the second grade classroom. Parents are encouraged to attend with their student. The children will lead the Lord's Prayer in worship on January 27 at the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

**Lost & Found:** We have LOTS of water bottles, coffee mugs and a few books that have been in our Lost & Found for a very long time. Stop by the table in the Fellowship Hall today and see if any are yours, or if you want one!

**Sanctuary Flowers:** There is no longer a chart to sign up on. Go to the Welcome Center to donate flowers for 2019. Arrangements cost \$50.

### **THIS WEEK**

**Young Adult Night:** Join Juli and Intern Rachel at the Pioneer (2401 S University Blvd) at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 15 for food, drinks, conversation, and (perhaps) a game or two! Email [rachel@bethany-denver.org](mailto:rachel@bethany-denver.org) or [juli@bethany-denver.org](mailto:juli@bethany-denver.org), or call/text Rachel (865-363-9676) or Juli (201-788-0013) by noon on the 15th to RSVP. See you there!

### **NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 20:**

#### **FAITH PRACTICES: WORSHIP**

*Exodus 20:8-11, Psalm 34:1-3, John 4:19-24*

**The "Living Faith" Adult Faith Formation Series** will run on Sundays, January 20 through March 3, and will focus on the seven faith practices: worship, pray, encourage, study, invite, serve and give. We will meet in room 208 from 9:30-10:15 a.m. Topics align with each Sunday's worship theme. Come to all seven, or drop in on the classes that interest you. We will begin with the practice of "worship" on Sunday, January 20!

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

**MLK Jr. Day Parade:** Join the Rocky Mountain Synod at the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade on January 21. Meet at the MLK Statue in City Park at 9:00 a.m. to hear guest speakers, and march around 10:45 a.m. down Colfax to Civic Center Park. Contact Pastor Brigitte ([Brigitte@bethany-denver.org](mailto:Brigitte@bethany-denver.org)) for more information.

**Rejoicing Spirits:** The next gathering will be on January 27 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. in the Great Hall, beginning with a chili dinner. Our theme is "Splashed with God's Love!" and all are invited to this interactive, engaging and "no-shush" worship service and gathering. Our monthly planning meeting will be on January 14 at 12:00 noon. All are invited!

**Construction volunteers are needed** on February 1, 2 and 9 to support the latest *Habitat for Humanity* and *Holy Hammers* home build in Sheridan. Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age; no experience needed. Please sign-up at <https://denver.volunteerhub.com/lp/HolyHammers> or in the Fellowship Hall between services. Contact Kevin at 303-810-5563 or [kmdmpsy@aol.com](mailto:kmdmpsy@aol.com) with questions.

**Care packages for college students and military personnel** will be assembled on Sunday, February 3 at the Cross+Generational Faith Formation time. Please donate nonperishable snack items, toiletries, and other fun items to surprise and encourage a college student or military person at the Welcome Center on Sundays between now and February. You

can also fill out a card at the Welcome Center to have a care package delivered to a loved one who is away at college, in the military, or even living at home.

**The Annual “Souper Bowl of Caring”** will be held on Sunday, February 3. Bring your food donations for Metro Caring on that day, as we will not be collecting at King Soopers this year. The following items are in highest demand: canned chicken/tuna, small bags of rice, diapers, feminine products, and low sodium canned beans. Bethany’s Sunday School kids will also be collecting money donations for the ELCA’s World Hunger initiative at the end of each worship service. Please join in this “souper-sized” effort!

**Theater & Theology:** The next play on the schedule is “Anna Karenina” on Tuesday, February 12. “Anna Karenina” uses the romantic backdrop of Tsarist Russia to tell a turbulent tale of passion and betrayal, dreams chased and lost, and the consequences of getting swept off your feet. Purchase tickets at the Welcome Center by Sunday, January 20.

**Lenten Retreat:** Join Pastor Gary on retreat at

Highlands Retreat Center near Allenspark. We will gather on Friday night, March 8 and spend time on retreat through Sunday morning, March 10 with plenty of time for fellowship, relaxation, singing, and games. Meals and lodging are all covered with your registration. Sign up the Welcome Center now through February 5, or until we hit our maximum.

**HOW TO HELP**

**Donate Toiletries:** Bring your unused men’s & women’s toiletries and makeup items to the bottom bin of the wicker unit by the Welcome Center. Travel sized are especially needed! These are donated to the Gathering Place. Thank you!

**ACCESSIBILITY AT BETHANY**

**Hearing Assistance:** Please see the Sound Tech in the sound booth if you need a hearing assistant device.



Please see the ushers for a large print bulletin.



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