

Word of God Lutheran Church
Grow • Build • Serve



Our Mission:
With God's help we are called to be a
multi-generational traditional church, grounded in
the Bible and focused on service in the community
and mission outreach.

Baptism of Our Lord
January 12, 2025

ORDER OF SERVICE

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Advent • Christmas • **Epiphany** • Lent • Easter • Pentecost

Please refer to the green Lutheran Book of Worship Hymnal for service.

ENTRANCE RITE

Announcements

Prelude

Call to worship chime

- * Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness LBW 77
- * Entrance Hymn "**Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters**" WOV 697
- * Greeting and Kyrie LBW 78
- * Hymn of Praise "Glory to God" LBW 79
- * The Lord be with you LBW 82
- * Prayer of the Day

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

First Reading Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalm (*Read Responsively*) Psalm 29

Second Reading Romans 6:1-11

* Alleluia Verse LBW 83

* Gospel Luke 3:15-22

Children's Sermon

Sermon

- * Hymn of the Day "**Baptized in Water**" WOV 693
- * Nicene Creed LBW 84
- * Prayers LBW 85
- * Share the Peace LBW 86

SHARING OF THE SACRAMENTAL MEAL

Offering

Offertory LBW 86

* Offertory Prayer LBW 88

* Great Thanksgiving LBW 88

* Holy, Holy, Holy LBW 89

* Words of Institution LBW 90

* The Lord's Prayer (sing) LBW 91

"Lamb of God" LBW 92

† Communion

* Blessing LBW 92

* Canticle "Thank the Lord" LBW 92

* Prayer, Benediction, and Dismissal LBW 94

* Closing Hymn "**We Know That Christ Is Raised**" LBW 189

* Sending

* Please stand as able

† All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to receive communion and assurance of God's forgiveness. *Children who have not been instructed in the sacrament should fold their hands to receive a blessing.*

Isaiah 43:1-7

1 But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. 2 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. 3 For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. 4 Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. 5 Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you. 6 I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, 7 everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Psalms 29

1 Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.**

3 The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the Lord, over many waters.

**4 The voice of the Lord is powerful;
the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

**6 He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

7 The voice of the Lord
flashes forth flames of fire.

**8 The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

9 The voice of the Lord makes the deer give birth
and strips the forests bare,
and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

**¹⁰The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.**

¹¹ May the Lord give strength to his people!
May the Lord bless his people with peace!

Romans 6:1–11

¹ What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.



Luke 3:15–22

¹⁵ As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, ¹⁶ John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.” ¹⁸ So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. ¹⁹ But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reprovved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰ added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison. ²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If you are physically unable to come to the altar, **communion** will be brought to you at your seat. Please let your usher know so he /she can tell the Pastor where you are seated.
- **Tuesdays with God Bible Study** will meet this Tuesday, January 14, at 9:30 AM in the fellowship hall. Please contact Vija Cole or Linda Williams for more information. All are welcome!
- **Fish STIX Rehearsal** this Thursday, January 16, at 7:00 PM. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month. Please contact Andi Laaker at wogfishstix@gmail.com for more information.
- The next **Crafters' Fellowship Weekend** is Friday, January 24, and Saturday, January 25, beginning at 10:00 AM in the fellowship hall. Please contact Becky Cirillo, Diann Eveland, or Tata Pike for more information.
- **Pathways2 Bible Study** will meet on Tuesday, January 28, at 7:00 PM. The group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Please contact Andi Laaker at wogfishstix@gmail.com for more information.
- Mark your calendars, **Line Dancing Class** returns Saturday, February 1, from 5:00 pm — 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall. All attending are asked to bring an hors d'oeuvre to share. Please contact Vince Compagno at vince@vmcise.com with questions. Hope to see you there!
- **Children's Ministry Fellowship Activity** will meet on Saturday, February 8, at 10:00 pm. Please contact Tameka Edwards at tameka@woglutheran.org for more information.
- Our next **RLC Warehouse** service opportunity is Wednesday, February 12, at 9:00 AM, and the **RLC Mobile Food Pantry** will be on Thursday, January 16, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at suegburnett@att.net for more information.
- The next **Midwest Food Bank** distribution will be Tuesday, January 21 (8 AM - 12 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM); Wednesday, January 22 (8 AM - 1:30 PM); and Thursday, January 23 (8 AM - 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at ltcbowler@gmail.com or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- *Unless otherwise indicated, the **weekly announcement submission** deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous **Monday** at 11:00 AM. Please send all announcements to woglutheran@gmail.com.*

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