

**Welcome to Worship on this
Baptism of Our Lord Sunday
Blended Service**



**French River Lutheran Church
Duluth, MN
January 14, 2024 ~10:00 a.m.**

**Reverend Kris Garey ~ Presiding
Worship Assistant: Rolf Carlson
Lectors: Jacquie Eubanks
Altar Guild: Rhonda O'Leary
Musician: Organist - David Fiebiger; Riversong Rising;**

*** Coffee Fellowship to follow worship!**

Welcome to all in Jesus' Name!

Please follow the current FRLC Preparedness Plan for COVID-19. Details are located under announcements in this bulletin. LARGE PRINT worship folders are available from an usher. A family restroom and nursery are to the left of the sanctuary; again, follow the Preparedness Plan for use. To contact the pastor or church office, you are invited to complete a pew card and return the information portion either to an usher or by way of the offering plate. Please keep the bookmark and worship with us again! We appreciate electronic devices set on "mute" during the service.

Bold Print signals places where the assembly speaks in unity in worship

* Indicates where to stand as you are able in body or in Spirit.

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRELUDE:

Organist: David Fiebiger

———**GATHERING**———

The Holy Spirit gathers us together as people of God

***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.

***GATHERING HYMN: “Dearest Jesus, at Your Word”**

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Dearest Jesus, at Your Word



1 Dear - est Je - sus, at your word we have come a -
2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est
3 Ra - diance of God's glo - ry bright, Light of Light from
4 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, praise to you and



gain to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred
dark - ness shroud - ed till your Spir - it breaks the night,
God pro - ceed - ing, Je - sus, send your bless - ed light;
ad - o - ra - tion! Grant us what we need the most:



and in glow - ing faith be near you as the prom - is -
fill - ing us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and
help our hear - ing, speak - ing, heed - ing, that our prayers and
all your gos - pel's con - so - la - tion while we here on



es here giv - en draw us whol - ly up to heav - en.
all good liv - ing come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.
songs may please you, as with grate - ful hearts we praise you.
earth a - wait you, till in heav'n with praise we greet you.

Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619–1684, sts. 1–3; *Gesangbuch*, Berlin, 1707, st. 4; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, adapt.
Music: LIEBSER JESU, WIR SIND HIER, Johann R. Ahle, 1625–1673

***CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS:**

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
creator of darkness and light,
word of truth,
wind sweeping over the waters.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
(Silence is kept for reflection.)

God, our rock and refuge,
we pour out our hearts before you.
We have known you but have not always loved you.
We have wounded one another
and sinned against you.
We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit
dwelling in each of us.
Remember your covenant.
Renew your creation.
Restore us,
that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.
The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.
God has spoken:
The time of grace is now.
In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.
By the authority of † Jesus Christ,
your sins are forgiven.
You are God's beloved.
Amen.

***SONG OF PRAISE: "I Will Follow"**

~Chris Tomlin
Riversong Rising

Intro

Where You go I'll go
Where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move
I will follow

Oh oh oh

Verse 1

All Your ways are good
All Your ways are sure
I will trust in You alone
Higher than my sight
High above my life
I will trust in You alone

Chorus

Where You go I'll go
Where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move
I will follow You
Whom You love I'll love
How You serve I'll serve
If this life I lose
I will follow (You)

Interlude

Yeah I will follow You yeah

Verse 2

Light into the world
Light into my life
I will live for You alone
You're the One I seek
Knowing I will find
All I need in You alone
In You alone

Bridge

In You there's life everlasting
In You there's freedom for my soul
In You there's joy unending joy
And I will follow

Ending

Yeah I will follow You yeah
I will follow You yeah
I will follow You yeah

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***PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

———WORD———

God speaks to us through scripture, preaching, and song.

A reading from Genesis:

Out of chaos, God brings order. Out of the formless void, God brings light. This familiar story was good news for the Israelites, who experienced much chaos in their history. It remains good news for us. God created and continues to create new life.

FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

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

PSALM: Psalm 29

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters. (Ps. 29:3)

Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God’s 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 ^l 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;

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

The voice of the LORD
bursts forth in lightning flashes.

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 forevermore.

O LORD, give strength to your people;

give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

A reading from Acts:

In Ephesus, Paul encounters people who had received John's baptism of repentance but had never heard of the Holy Spirit or of baptism in the name of Jesus. After Paul baptizes them, the Holy Spirit comes upon them and empowers them with gifts of the Spirit.

SECOND READING: Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

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

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Celtic Alleluia**

(The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.)



GOSPEL: *Mark 1:4-11

The Holy Gospel according to *Mark 1:4-11*. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Mark's gospel reports the story of Jesus' baptism with some irony: the one on whom the Spirit descends is himself the one who will baptize others with the Holy Spirit.

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON:

Kim Marks

SERMON:

The Reverend Kris Garey

He Comes to Us as One Unknown



1 He comes to us as one un-known, a breath un - seen, un -
2 He comes when souls in si - lence lie and thoughts of day de -
3 He comes to us in sound of seas, the o - cean's fume and
4 He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and
5 He comes in truth when faith is grown; be - lieved, o - beyed, a -



heard; as though with - in a heart of stone, or shriv - eled seed in
part; half - seen up - on the in - ward eye, a fall - ing star a -
foam; yet small and still up - on the breeze, a wind that stirs the
birth; to bear with - in our mor - tal frame a life, a death, a
dored; the Christ in all the scrip - tures shown, as yet un - seen, but



dark - ness sown, a pulse of be - ing stirred, a pulse of be - ing stirred.
cross the sky of night with - in the heart, of night with - in the heart.
tops of trees, a voice to call us home, a voice to call us home.
sav - ing name, for ev - 'ry child of earth, for ev - 'ry child of earth.
not un - known, our Sav - ior and our Lord, our Sav - ior and our Lord.

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith, b. 1926

Music: REPTON, C. Hubert H. Parry, 1848-1918

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***APOSTLES' CREED:**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**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. Amen.**

***PEACE:** *The Peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.
Please share this peace with your neighbors.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Jacque Eubanks

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

(A brief silence.)

Encourage the ministry and mission of the church, God of truth. Let the leaders of your church to be trustworthy and accountable stewards, that all its resources and outreach bring hope and healing to communities. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Delight in the goodness of your creation, God of fig trees and fertile soil. Heal areas of the world harmed by human greed. Restore those recovering from natural disaster. Protect our forests and waterways and all the creatures that live in them. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Call the leaders of every neighborhood and nation to serve faithfully, God of wisdom. Give them visions of justice and unity. Lead them to action that promotes equitable partnership and uplifts those on the margins of society. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Hold in your care any who suffer and struggle, God of compassion. You who know our inner hearts, be present with any who are oppressed, victims of racism or cultural violence, and all who long for respite or restoration of spirit and health. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Give this congregation the anticipation and excitement of Samuel, so inspired and empowered to do your work in the world, God of unity. Make us faithful as we build communities of inclusion and mutual care. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Trusting God who raised Jesus and will also raise us in spirit and truth, we remember all who have died and are at peace among the saints. Today in commemoration will lift up the life of *the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. whose faithful advocacy for peace and justice continues to embolden the church.* God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

***OFFERING PRAYER:**

(If you did not place your offering in the plate as you entered the sanctuary, please feel free to hand it to an usher upon dismissal. During the week, offerings may be placed in the secure lockbox by the lower doors [slot is right of the door]. Mail and online giving are also available. Thank you for your generous support of our ministry together!)

Blessed are you, Holy One,
for all good things come from you.
In bread and cup you open heaven to us.
Meet us at this table,
that we receive what we seek
and follow your Son, Jesus,
in whose name we pray.
Amen.

———MEAL———

God feeds us in goodness and grace with the presence of Jesus Christ.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table to receive the true presence of Jesus in the bread and wine. Communion will be distributed continuously using the form of intinction. After you have received the bread, you may "intinct" (dip) it in the wine or juice. Children not communing may come forward for a blessing. Commune with the pastor if you prefer a gluten-free wafer.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION & BLESSING:**

The Lord be with you. **And also 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: Epiphany**

***Holy, Holy, Holy: by Grayson Brown**

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
2. Bless - ed is he who comes in the

1. ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of
2. name _____ of _____ the Lord God of

1. hosts. Heav - en and earth are filled with your
2. hosts. Ho - san - na in _____ the

1. glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
2. high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION:**

***LORD'S PRAYER:**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION:**

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one.
Come and see.

INTERLUDE: Lamb of God ~David Clark Isele

"LAMB OF GOD"

Cantor or Choir: *Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,
All:

To repeat have mer-cy on us. *Last time* grant us peace.

***COMMUNION SONG: "Holy Forever"**

~Chris Tomlin
Riversong Rising

Verse 1

A thousand generations falling down in worship
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb
And all who've gone before us
And all who will believe
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Pre-Chorus

(Jesus) Your name is the highest
Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions
All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all

Chorus 1

And the angels cry Holy
All creation cries Holy
You are lifted high Holy
Holy forever

Verse 2

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
We'll sing the song forever and amen

Chorus 2

Hear Your people sing Holy
To the King of Kings Holy
You will always be Holy
Holy forever

Tag

You will always be Holy
Holy forever

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***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:**

Giver of every gift,
Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body.
Raise us to life by your power
for the benefit of all and to your glory,
now and forever.
Amen.

—————SENDING—————
God blesses us and equips us as disciples sent into the world

***BLESSING:**

God who names you,
Christ who claims you,
and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you,
✠ bless you and remain with you always.
Amen.

***SENDING SONG: "House of the Lord"**

~Phil Wickham
Riversong Rising

Verse 1

We worship the God who was
We worship the God who is
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors
He parted the raging sea
My God He holds the victory yeah

Chorus

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

Interlude

Oh oh oh
We shout out Your praise

Verse 2

We sing to the God who heals
We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
'Cause He hung up on that cross
Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away

Bridge

('Cause) We were the beggars
Now we're royalty
We were the prisoners
Now we're running free
We are forgiven accepted
Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord sing praise

Interlude

There is joy in this house oh yeah
There is joy there is joy
And we won't be quiet
We're gonna shout out Your praise

Ending

We shout out Your praise
There is joy in this house
There is joy in this house today
We shout out Your praise
We shout out Your praise

Jonathan Smith, Phil Wickham

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***SENDING:**

Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

Thanks be to God.

(For those in pews, please remain seated until invited by an usher to depart.)

POSTLUDE:

Organist: David Fiebiger

Thank you for joining us wherever you are.

Remember, you are beloved and blessed!

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Coming Up:

1/14 Sun: 10a – Baptism of Our Lord

Worship In-Person/Online: Rev. Kris Garey

10:45a – Sunday School

11:15a – Coffee Fellowship

1/15 Mon: 6p – Adult Bible Study

1/16 Tues: 9a – Bulletin Deadline; 7p – Council; 7p – AA

1/17 Wed: 7a – D/NSSD; 9a – Parables Deadline

1/18 Thurs: 1p – 5:30p – Riversong Rising

1/21 Next Sun: 10a – 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Contemporary Worship In-Person/Online: Rev. Greg Garmer

10:45a – Sunday School

11:00a – FRLC Annual Meeting

****Potluck to follow Annual Meeting!****

****Pastor Kim will be gone on the first part of her sabbatical
from January 14 – February 2.****

 We're glad you worshiped with us today. Thanks be to God! 

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Covid-19 Preparedness

In the care and consideration of others, the wearing of masks is optional for worship. However, if you or a family member are experiencing any fever, cough, stomach issues, or are recovering from an illness or other ailments within 48 hours before gathering in worship, we strongly advise the wearing of a mask while in worship.

A simple mask in these moments and places helps us protect loved ones, especially the weak and elderly, front-line medical personnel and their families, our faith community and larger communities. Thank you for this kindness.

Your 2024 offering envelopes can be picked up near the usher's stand. **Your 2023 Giving Statement** can be picked up from the back of the church. If you didn't get a box of envelopes and want one or if you have any questions, please contact Kay Libby, Financial Secretary, at 218-390-3281.



Come And Join Us For The

FRLC 2024 Annual Meeting

01/21/2024

Join us on Sunday, January 21
after the Sunday worship service.
There will be a **potluck** following the meeting.
All are welcome to participate!
Please bring contributions to the kitchen
before Sunday service begins.

The annual meeting of the FRLC Good

Samaritans will immediately follow the worship service on **Jan. 28th** in the lakeside alcove off the sanctuary.

All Good Samaritan members are urged to Attend.



Pr. Kim found an Epiphany study for us to dive into during the beginning of her sabbatical. Paper copies are available in the shepherd's stand (top pocket, right side behind the FRLC brochure) next to the Welcome Center. Feel free to make a copy if you're taking the last one. Adult Bible Study will meet Monday, January 14, 6:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room.

A 100-year Celebration Committee is needed!

We need someone to be the chair of the committee. We will also need to have three fundraiser dinners planned to raise money for expenses of the celebration in September of 2024.

If interested, please let Pastor Kim know you are willing and able to be a part of this crew!

frlcpastorsturtz@gmail.com or by cellphone, 218-393-7444.



Ever wonder why there are wicker baskets in the narthex? The baskets are for receiving non-perishable food for CHUM (Churches United in Ministry) and for where needed most, gently used or new clothes and personal hygiene items. Specifically for CHUM, we collect Ramen Chicken Noodle Soup. Our goal is to bring 100 packages/month; lately, we've fallen short and haven't met that goal. Thank you for helping to remedy this situation and remember to check expiration dates before placing edible items in the baskets. Thanks!

100 year Anniversary Challenge for us as a church, to seek to continue our generosity with the world around us, especially those who are without aid, help, or are lost. As we celebrate our church marking a century of service, worship, and care for the people and community around us, we have a way to give back to our community and larger world. We know that there are so many that go without, who need help, and just a little bit could go a long way.



Our Challenge is to give 100 In-Need Organizations -\$100 donations in Celebration of our Century Old Ministry. Yep. You are doing that math and it equates to a big number. But think about how many times we head to the grocery store, home goods stores, hockey games, or concerts; A \$100 easily is spent. That money being able to help others in a bigger way, even if it is just a little bit of a nudge, we are sparking something bigger for some people's lives.

These donations can be given to local, global, and beyond— just wherever your generous heart would like to give.

If you are interested in donating, please contact Barb Jackson, who has a list of ideas or you can submit your own. *Checks may be written to French River Lutheran Church, with the organization you want to support in the memo line. Your donation will be sent forth to those organizations through the church's benevolence and missional giving.*

**Let us meet this challenge before our Big Church Celebration in September.
+ Pastor Kim Sturtz**

Welcome to French River Lutheran Church

You are welcome; to keep this bulletin however, we recycle when possible so you may leave it on the ushers' stand.



Immediate: Family and friends of Marlow Bakken. He passed away December 29, 2023; a funeral service was held January 5, 2024 in Princeton, MN.; Family & friends of Betty Nordling who passed on Jan. 6; Carol Pearson; Bonnie Smrstick; prayers for peace and comfort both as she travels to be with Dennis as he is nearing the end of his journey.; Deb Sodomka (cousin of Bill & Susie Lannon).

Long-Term: Phil Strom, for Parkinsons; Julie Moe-Hommerding; 5-year-old great niece of Susie Lannon (heart surgery 6/26/17, still not healthy); Kathy Johnson (Carol Leppala's friend); Bruce Sundberg; Angela Debelak, (niece of Gail Johnson) is currently in remission from for her brain cancer and recovering slowly; please continue to pray for no recurrence.; Alex Peterson – military service; David Peterson (brother of Paul Peterson); Todd Sironen.

WHEN SUBMITTING A NAME TO THE TELEPHONE PRAYER CHAIN, PLEASE INDICATE IF IT IS PERMISSABLE TO LIST IN THE BULLETIN.

<i>Called by the Spirit</i>	<i>January 14</i>	<i>January 21</i>
Worship Leader	Rev. Kris Garey	Rev. Greg Garmer
Lector	Jacquie Eubanks	Loren Slette
Altar Guild	Rhonda O'Leary	Sue Baker
Ushers	Rex & Elda Hein	Wayne & Peggy D.
Counters/Worship Assistant*	Ken Peterson/ Rolf Carlson*	Loren Slette/ Sheila Laiti*
Coffee Fellowship	Kim E. & Renee A.	Potluck
Prayer Chain	Carolyn Marino 218.525-6431	

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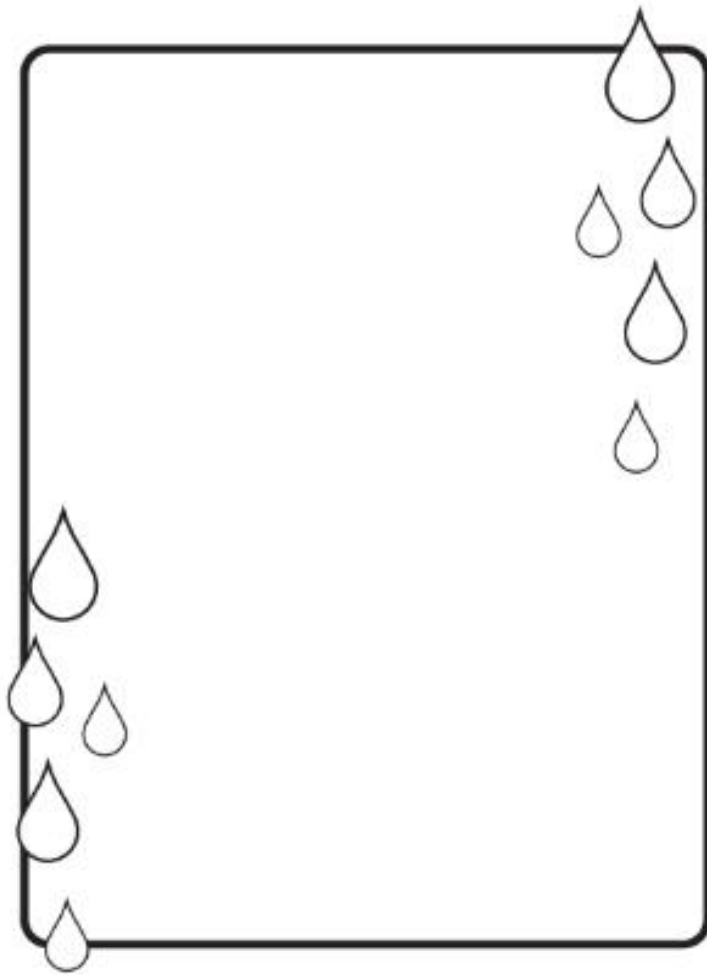
FRLC Mission: *"To live and love as God commands, accept His grace, and share the Good News."*

Watch services at FRLC anytime! **YouTube live streaming of the service** at <https://www.youtube.com/c/FrenchRiverLutheranChurch>

This link is also found on our church homepage and Facebook group. If you are unable to watch it live, you can view it any time after the service by following the same link.

Jesus was baptized in a river. Some people are still baptized in a river. Find out where you baptize people in your church.

Then draw it below!

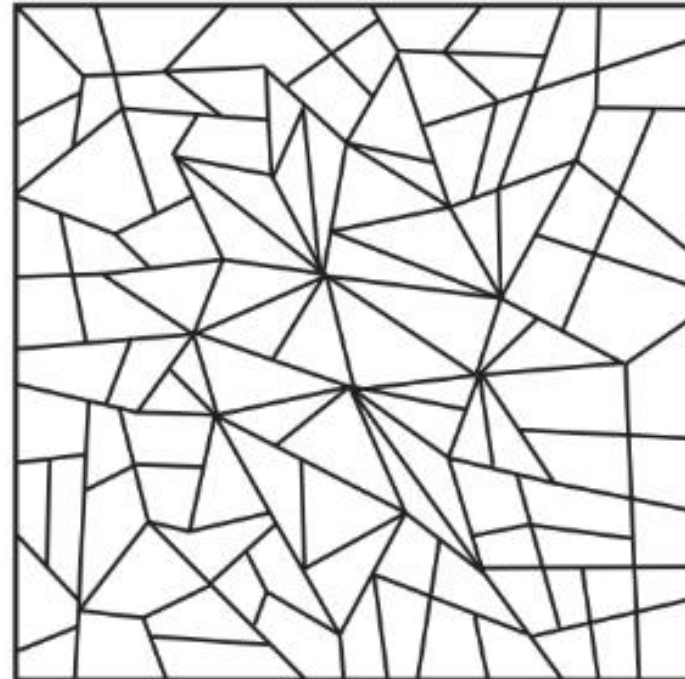


PRE-READER

Baptism of Our Lord

- Today we celebrate the **Baptism of Our Lord**.
- A symbol of **Epiphany** is a burst of light.
- A **burst of light** helps us see.
- **Jesus** helps us see, too.

Color in the triangles to make a burst of light.





"Jesus is coming! He is the Messiah!"

Your pastor baptizes people in your church.

Trace the letters to find out who baptized Jesus.



JOHN

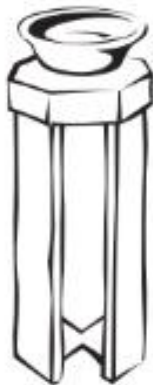
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BAPTIST



Water Everywhere

Look around your church. Where do you see water? Where do you use water in your church? Are there any special days that we use water in church? Draw what else you do with water at your church.



READER

Baptism of Our Lord

- Today we celebrate the **Baptism of our Lord**.
- We remember Jesus' baptism in the **Jordan River**.
- The Baptism of Our Lord begins the season of **Epiphany**.
- The symbol of Epiphany is a **burst of light** because Jesus is the light of the world.

Made Complete

Count the points on the burst of light to find out what river Jesus was baptized in.



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Memory Verse



Bible Tip!

Three of the Gospels tell the story of Jesus' baptism with lots of details. Can you figure out the one that doesn't?

MARK <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	JOHN <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
LUKE <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	MATTHEW <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

What's Wrong with This Picture?

John the Baptist is baptizing a baby. But what's wrong with the picture?



Look it Up!

What did John the Baptist eat? What kind of clothes did he wear? Look it up in Matthew 3:4.

