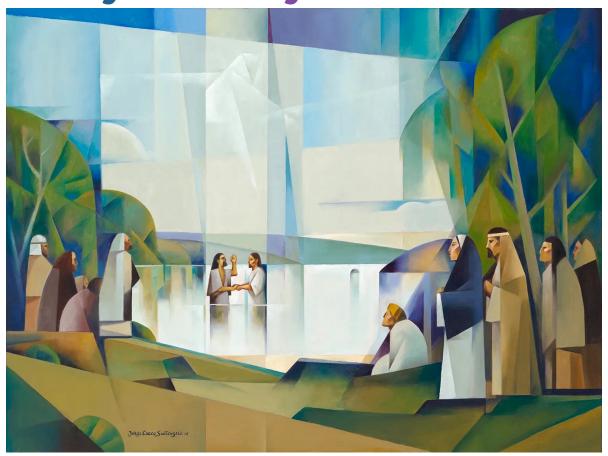


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Baptism of Christ (Jorge Cocco Santángelo)

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

JANUARY 12[™], 2025



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We welcome all members and guests to our service today, and we are glad that you have joined us for worship at Calvary!

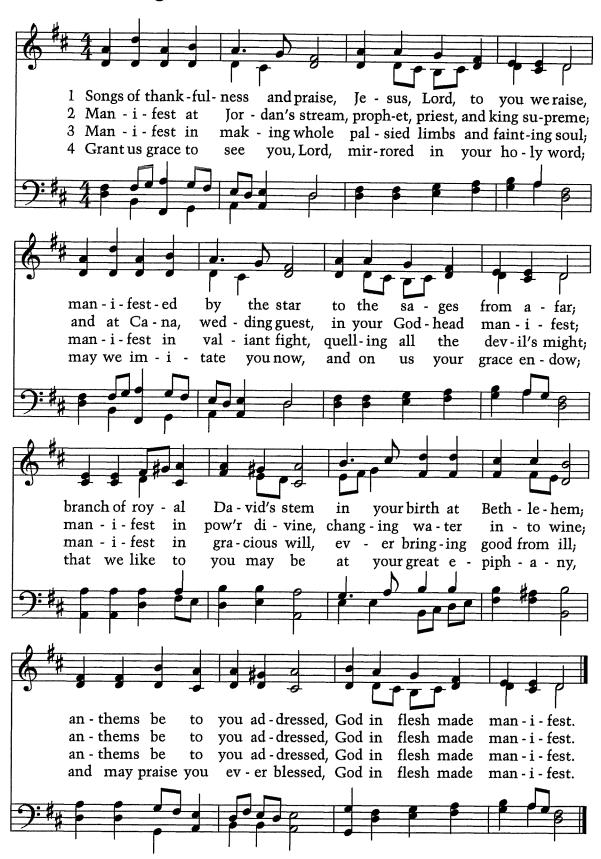
SERVING IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Chaz Snider, Preaching
Mary Louise Kapp Peeples, Organist
Amanda Schumpert, Director of Music
Helen Pelkey, Director of Children, Youth, & Family Ministries
Kristie Pristas, Lay Reader
Brian Lott, Band Director
The Calvary Band
The Calvary Chancel Choir
Josephine Rose & Autumn Gwyn, Nursery Attendants
Robert Middleton & Elaine Palmore, Ushers

Nursery is available for all children infant through Pre-K.

Children Kindergarten through 2nd grade may leave for Godly Play after the Children's Moment. For those children remaining in the sanctuary, New to the Pew bags can be found up front filled with fun activities to help them in worship. All children are welcome!

313 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



TEXT: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885)
TUNE: Jakob Hintze (1622-1702), alt. Harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

BAPTISM

For the Baptism of Children and Adults

(Standing)

(A hymn of baptism or faith may be sung.)

In grace God called and chose the people of Israel and established with them a covenant: I will be your God and you will be my people. In that relationship they were to be freed from sin and become a blessing to all. Then God came to us in Jesus Christ and fulfilled that covenant for all people. Through Christ's life, death, and resurrection, God made for us a new covenant of grace.

We come before you with joy, O God, to claim the promises of your covenant.

Our Lord Jesus Christ instituted baptism as the visible means of entry into the new covenant. Baptism is a gift of God. In this sacrament, through grace and the power of the Holy Spirit, we are united with Christ, are cleansed by his saving work, enter into the fellowship of the church, and are called to a life of faith and willing obedience.

Those of you baptized into Christ Jesus, how were you baptized?

Into his death. We were buried with him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glorious power of God Almighty, we too might be raised to live a new life.

(When only adults are baptized, the following sentence is omitted.)

In baptism children also share in the benefits of our Lord's redeeming work through God's grace and the faith of parents, and of the church,

For God's promise is to us and to our children.

(The minister addresses the candidates, parents, and sponsors.)

As you present *yourselves* before God and this congregation, we call upon you to profess your faith.

Do you believe in God as your Creator and loving heavenly Father, in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, and in the Holy Spirit as your Comforter and Sustainer, according to the Holy Scriptures?

I do.

(Candidates, parents, and sponsors may profess their faith by means of the Apostles' Creed, the baptismal profession of the early church. The congregation may be invited to join in the Creed as an affirmation of their own baptism.)

Lord, make us one with all your children as we profess our faith, saying:

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

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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Ancient text reads "catholic," which means "universal."

(The minister addresses the candidates, parents, and sponsors.)

Do you in this faith turn away from sin, evil, and selfishness in your thoughts, words, and actions; and do you intend to participate actively in Christ's church, serving God all the days of your life?

I do.

(When only adults are baptized, the following question for parents and sponsors is omitted.)

Relying on the power of the Holy Spirit, do you promise to lead your *children* by prayer, instruction, and example toward that time when *they* can by grace confirm *their* faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and commit *themselves* to the life and work of the church?

I do.

(The minister addresses the congregation.)

Do you receive and affirm these children of God as members of this congregation, and accept your obligation to love and nurture them in Christ?

We do.

(Sitting. One of the following hymns is sung.)



(Water may be poured into the font or bowl.)

We thank you, gracious God, for the gift of water, which you have created and given to us as a sign of life. We recall with gratitude how you led your people from slavery to freedom through the waters of the sea. We rejoice in the gift of the Holy Spirit at the baptism of your Son in the waters of the Jordan, and we praise you for opening to us the way of eternal life through his death and resurrection. Now send your Spirit upon ______ who receive(s) the water of baptism today, so that they may become (a) living, growing and active member(s) of your church, rise to new life, be led and nourished by your word and sacraments, and share in your eternal blessings.

Amen.

(When only adults are baptized, the following is omitted.)

Give to these parents and sponsors your wisdom and strength, that with love and understanding they may guide to Christian maturity the young lives entrusted to their care.

Amen.

(The minister baptizes each candidate with a threefold application of water, saying:)

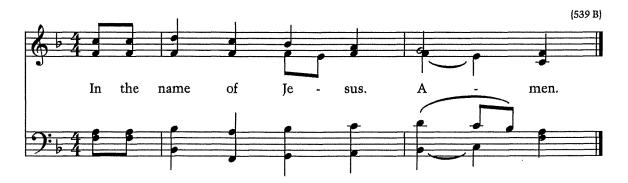
_____, into the death of Jesus I baptize you, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

(Each newly baptized person receives the laying on of hands, symbolizing the pouring out of the Holy Spirit. Parents and sponsors of young children join with the minister in the laying on of hands.)

Now through God's grace and the pouring out of the Holy Spirit, you have been brought into the covenant; therefore live, yet not you alone, but Christ live in you; and the life which you live now, live by faith in the Son of God, who loved you and gave his life for you.

(The minister pronounces a text of Scripture for the newly baptized adult.)

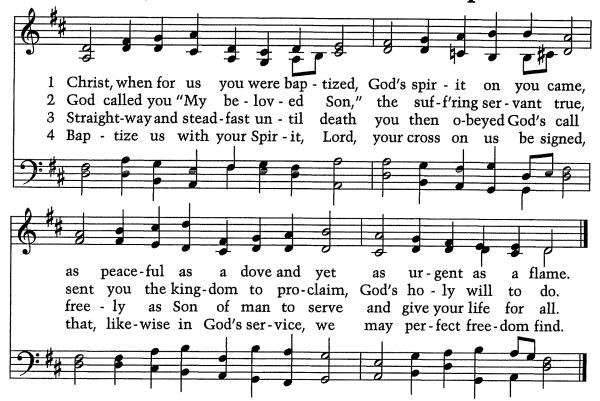
The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace;



(If there are no Affirmations of Baptism through Confirmation, Reaffirmation of Faith, or Transfer of Membership, the following hymn is sung here.)



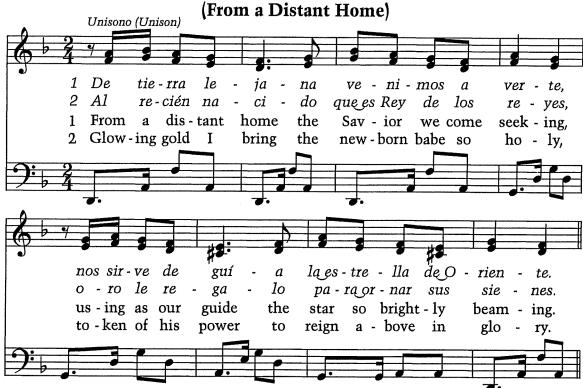
321 Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized



TEXT: F. Bland Tucker (1979, alt. 1982). ©1982 by The Church Pension Fund TUNE: From The Psalmes of David in Prose and Meeter (1635). Harm. The English Hymnal (1906)

C.M. CAITHNESS

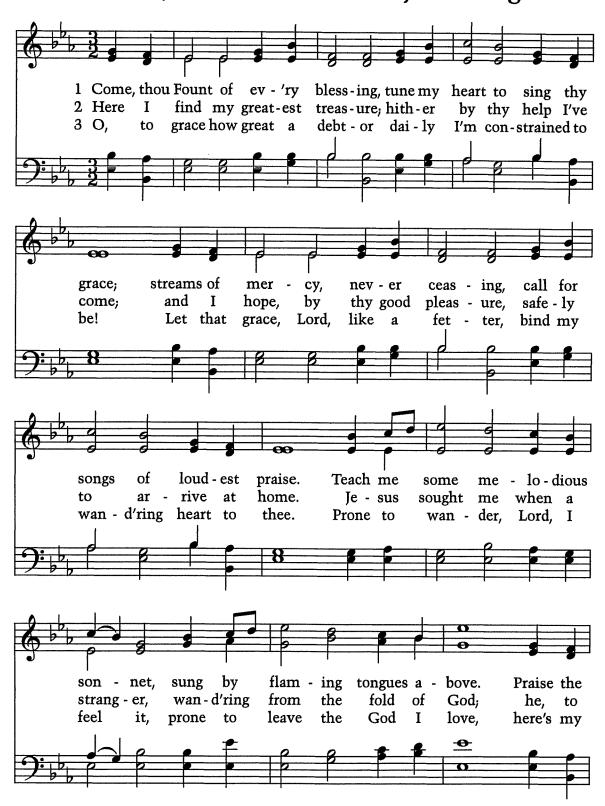
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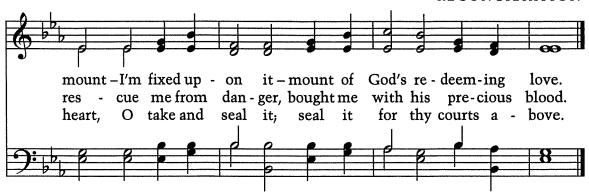
TEXT: Trad. Puerto Rican carol. Tr. George K. Evans (b. 1918)
TUNE: Trad. Puerto Rican carol. Arr. Walter Ehret and George K. Evans. Tr. and arr. from International Book of Christmas Carols, ©1963, 1980 by Walter Ehret and George K. Evans. Used by permission of Walton Music Corp.

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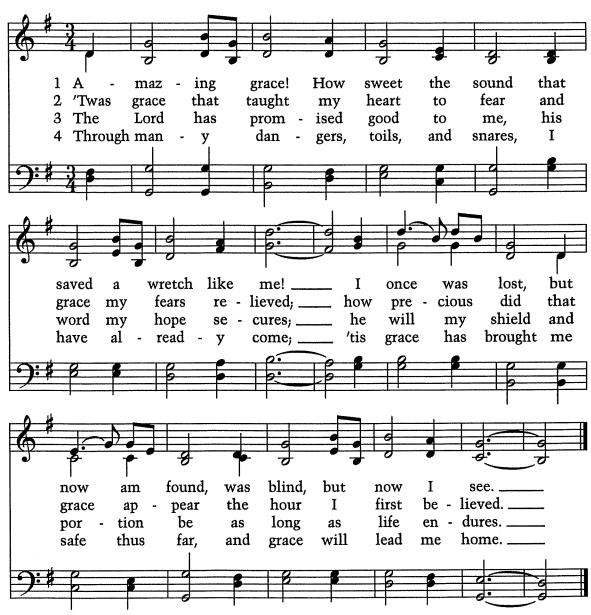
782 Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing



TEXT: Robert Robinson (1758) TUNE: John Wyeth (1812)



Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound 783



5 When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

TEXT: John Newton (1779), alt.

GATHERING IN UNITY

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK (ISAIAH 43:1)

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

* Please stand as you are able.

BAND PRELUDE

TRINITY CHIME

ORGAN PRELUDE

Morning Star, O Cheering Sight — Wade Peeples

WELCOME

PROCLAIMING GOD'S LOVE

Hymn #313

Song of Thankfulness and Praise — SALZBURG

LITURGY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE JOINT BOARD

Hear the appeal of God to us through the words of St. Paul: "Adapt yourselves no longer to the pattern of this present world, but let your minds be remade and your natures transformed."

"Then you will be able to discern the will of God and to know what is good, acceptable, and perfect."

"Do not be conceited or think too highly of yourself; but think your way to a sober estimate based on the measure of faith God has given to each of you." (Romans 12:2-3)

Teach us, O God, to walk in true humility of mind and spirit, that we may experience more fully the measure of faith which you have granted to each of us.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, this congregation in its wisdom and under the direction of the Holy Spirit, has elected you to important positions of leadership. Your duties include many tasks which are necessary for the revealing of the kingdom of God and the administration of this local community of God's people.

As you begin these responsibilities, or as you continue to serve, I trust that you will do so with a prayer for guidance, and with a commitment to Christ that you may fulfill your responsibilities in such a manner that the work of Christ will be enlarged by your presence.

Newly Elected Elders and Trustees respond:

We accept the offices to which we have been elected as trusts committed to us by our Lord and Savior.

All Elders and Trustees respond:

We will endeavor to serve as faithful stewards of things both spiritual and temporal, and to fulfill our responsibilities through God's grace.

Congregation:

We will support by prayer, by word, and by work those we have asked to provide leadership for this congregation, that we may successfully fulfill our common task. We have chosen these people to exercise responsibility and authority, and ask that they be installed in their respective offices.

Within the authority given me by the members of this congregation and as a minister of the Moravian Church, I welcome you to the positions of leadership to which this community of God's people has called you. Trust in God, and know that God's grace is sufficient to make you effective servants of God's people.

LITURGY OF BAPTISM

Pg. 165, Moravian Book of Worship

It is our joy to receive Levi Stultz, son of Justin & Lauren Stultz into the Fellowship of our Congregation today by the sacrament of baptism. Please take a moment to greet the Stultzes after worship and welcome Levi into our church family!

OFFERTORY

Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming — Michael Praetorius

*Doxology and Offertory Prayer

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

EPISTLE: ACTS 8:14-17
*GOSPEL: LUKE 3:15-17, 21-22

The Word of God for the People of God Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

O Dear Jesus, You Have Called Us — STEPHANOS

O dear Jesus, you have called us with your gentle voice; as your children we receive you and rejoice.

QUIET MEDITATION AND PRAYER

HYMN #321 Christ When for Us You Were Baptized — CAITHNESS

SERMON BAPTIZED IN LOVE

SENDING TO SERVE

*HYMN #782 Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing — NETTLETON

*BENEDICTION

Organ Postlude Morning Star, O Cheering Sight — Wade Peeples

TRINITY CHIME

REMEMBER CALVARY MEMBERS IN PRAYER

Eddie Johnson; Camilla Williams; Bernard Williams; Patricia Poindexter Garr; Earline Pryor; Misty Hayes and family; Noelle Nichols; Rameth McKnight; Ursula Pierce; Steven Nixa; Gary Willis; Lily Shaw; Patsy Lineback; Patrick Biggam; Dallas & Ramona Prestwood; Lynn Biggam; Tommy & Nancy McKoon; Stephanie Nixa; Jack Messick; Bill & Mary Hampton; Scott & Elaine Peddycord; Harold & Joeann Settle; Pat George; Charlie Miller; Betty Troutman; J. Frank & Jan Trivette; Johnnie & Mary Anna Pearson; the Tasedan family; the Lott Family; Judi Chandler; the Gordon family; George Tasedan; Linda Neighbors; the Stultz Family; the Grubbs family

REMEMBER FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN PRAYER

Denise Williams; Mike & Carole Farris; Beverly Streicker; Lisa Hampton

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Pastor Chaz will be on vacation January 16-26. He will return to the office on Monday, January 27.

REV. LINDA SEIPPEL'S INSTALLATION SERVICE

The Calvary Congregation is invited to the installation service for Rev. Linda Biles Seippel at Bethania Moravian Church in Bethania, NC on Jan 19th at 3:00 PM. There will be a Band prelude on the lawn at 2:30pm and a reception in the Fellowship Hall following the service.

CALVARY YOUTH AT TOP GOLF

All youth in 6th through 12th grade are invited to join us for fun, food and fellowship at Top Golf, Greensboro on Monday, January 20th from 3 PM to 5 PM. The cost of golf will be covered by the church but please bring money for any snacks you would like to eat. We will gather in the Top Golf lobby at 3 PM. The address is 609 Guilford College Rd., Greensboro, 27409. Friends are always welcome to join us for our Youth Group activities. Please let Helen know if you can make it and how many youth from your family will be attending. Email Helen with any questions. Please RSVP by Friday, January 17th.

BREAKFAST BUNCH

January 21st, 9 AM at Carriage House. Please contact Pat George (336) 971-3429 or Linda Smith (336) 978-6082 to RSVP.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Mid-Week Adult Bible Study with Pastor Chaz will resume on Wednesday evening, January 29, 2025 at 6pm in the Burke Conference Room. We will meet in person and via Zoom so all are welcome! The Zoom meeting link is us02web.zoom.us/j/84879938980

DINNERS FOR OUR OVERFLOW SHELTER

We are looking for volunteers to provide meals for our upcoming winter overflow shelter. This shelter serves as a warm, safe space for up to 20 moms & kids each night, and it's all possible because of volunteers. We are inviting groups or individuals to help us keep our shelter running smoothly and provide our guests with the hospitality they need and deserve by signing up to bring dinner for 25. To signup, go to bit.ly/3ZTpgfp or click the link in our e-blast.

MENTAL HEALTH RETREAT AT LAUREL RIDGE

On January 24th-26th, join the Provincial Mental and Brain Health Team for an empowering event focused on understanding and nurturing mental health. This session will provide an overview of mental health, explore the importance of self-care, and delve into the concept of trauma-what it is and how it affects us. Discover practical tools for managing trauma and gain access to valuable resources to support your journey. All are welcome in this safe and supportive space. Cost includes lodging, food, & program. Single occupancy is \$375 per person, double occupancy is \$300, and financial assistance is available. For more information and to register, visit laurelridge.org.

WINTER JOURNEY AT LAUREL RIDGE

On the weekend of February 14th-16th, step into a season of reflection and renewal with Winter Journey, an adult retreat designed to nurture your spirit, inspire personal growth, and prioritize self-care. Set against the serene backdrop of winter's stillness, this retreat offers interactive workshops, and quiet moments for self-discovery. One of the tracks will be led by our very own Pastor Nola! Embrace the warmth of connection, the beauty of nature, and the joy of slowing down as you embark on this transformative experience. Whether you're seeking clarity, healing, or simply a pause from life's busyness, Winter Journey is your invitation to restore and rejuvenate. For more information and to register, visit bit.ly/41vK8fe.

Sunday Mornings at Calvary Moravian

9 AM Handbell Choir Rehearsal

9:45 AM Nursery (Infant-PreK) — 2nd floor Children's Wing

Early Elementary (K-2nd) — 2nd floor Children's Wing

Elementary (3rd-5th) — 2nd floor Children's Wing

Catechism Class — Room 124 (Across from Fellowship Hall)

Youth (6th-12th grades) — 3rd floor youth room

Friendship Adult Class — Burke Conference Room

10:30 AM Adult Chancel Choir Rehearsal

11AM Worship

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