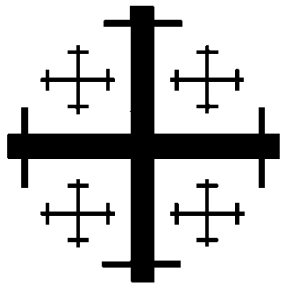


Feast of
The Baptism of Our Lord
12 January 2025 **8 & 11 am**





The Liturgy at Calvary

Within the gospel reading's profound words lies the simple message that God is revealed in a human person. Though we may try to understand how the Word existed with God from the beginning of time, the wonder we celebrate at Christmas is that the Word

continues to dwell among us. Christ comes among us in the gathered assembly, the scriptures, the waters of new birth, and the bread and the wine. Through these ordinary gifts we receive the fullness of God's grace and truth.

Prelude *Lord of All Hopefulness*
Tune: Slane (Irish Folk Tune)
Arr. Robert Hobby, b. 1962

Processional *Crashing Waters At Creation (ELW 455)*

1 Crash - ing wa - ters at cre - a - tion, or - dered by the Spir - it's breath,
2 Part - ing wa - ter stood and trem-bled as the cap-tives passed onthrough,
3 Cleans-ing wa - ter once at Jor-dan closed a - round the one fore-told,
4 Liv - ing wa - ter, nev - er end-ing, quench the thirst and flood the soul.

first to wit - ness day's be - gin-ning from the bright-ness of night's death.
wash - ing off the chains of bond-age—chan-nel to a life made new.
o - pened to re - veal the glo - ry ev - er new and ev - er old.
Well-spring, source of life e - ter - nal, drench our dry-ness, make us whole.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993
Music: STUTTGART, attr. Christian F. Witt, 1660–1716; adapt. Henry J. Gauntlett, 1805–1876
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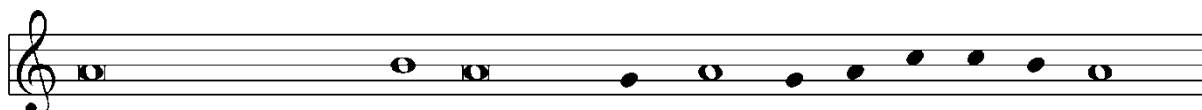
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ✠ the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

Kyrie Eleison [*Greek, Lord Have Mercy*]



A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



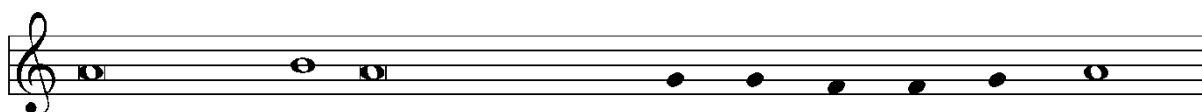
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

Canticle of Praise This Is the Feast of Victory



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



B Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



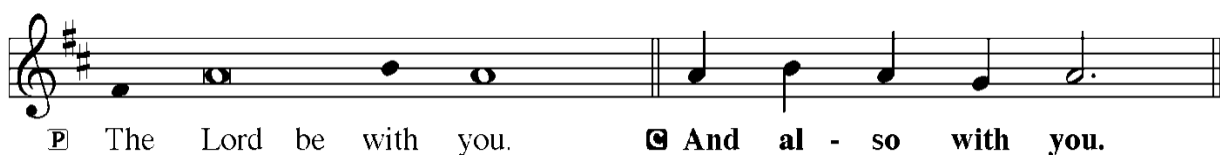
might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.



P Let us pray...

Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

First Reading Isaiah 43:1-7

¹But now thus says the LORD,

he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

²When 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.

³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.

⁵Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up,"
and to the south, "Do not withhold;
bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—

⁷everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made."

L The Word of the Lord
C Thanks be to God

Psalm 29 *Cantor/Choir sings refrain; all echo & sing ff. verses*

REFRAIN Viktor Andersson

The Lord strength - ens the peo - ple and
 bless-es them with peace. and bless-es them with peace.

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1. Affirm the Lord's glory and strength, all heavenly beings.
 Praise God's glorious name. Bow down to God's splendor.
 The Lord's voice is heard on the sea. God's glorious voice
 thunders over many waters. God's voice echoes glory

Refrain

2. The voice of God breaks the cedars, the Lebanon cedars.
 God's voice makes mountains leap. Mt. Hermon jumps like a
 young bull. The voice of God flashes like lightning. God's
 voice shakes the desert, the oak leaves are stripped, while
 we cry out Glory, Glory!

Refrain

Second Reading Acts 8:14-17

¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit¹⁶(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

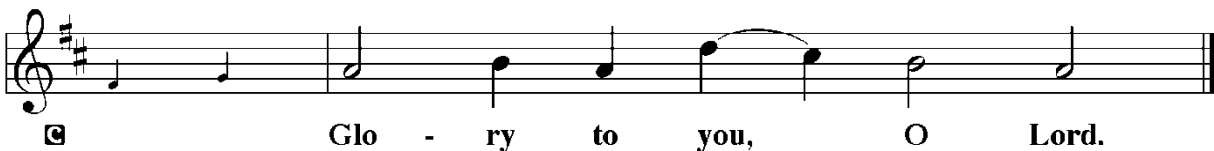
L The Word of the Lord **C Thanks be to God**

Alleluia Verse & Gospel Acclamations



**Verse [choir] You are my Son, the Beloved.
With You I am well pleased.**

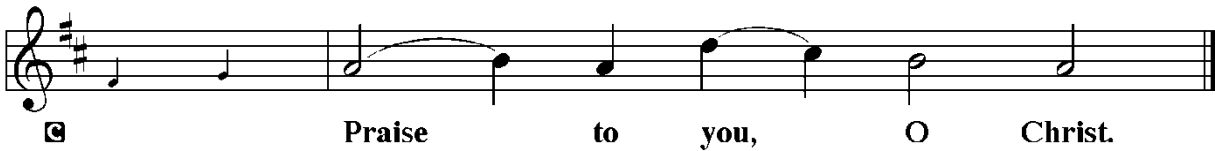
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke's, the 3rd chapter.



¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

P The Gospel of our Lord



Sermon Intern Rebecca

Hymn Of The Day

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We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus



1 We were bap-tized in Christ Je - sus, we were bap - tized in his death;
 2 In the wa - ter and the wit-ness, in the break-ing of the bread,
 3 Glo-ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo-ry be to Christ the Son,



that as Christ was raised vic - to - rious, we might live a brand new life.
 in the wait - ing arms of Je - sus who is ris - en from the dead,
 glo-ry to the Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er three and ev - er one;



And if we have been u - nit - ed in a dread-ful death like his,
 God has made a new be - gin-ning from the ash - es of our past;
 as it was in the be - gin-ning, glo - ry now re-sounds a - gain



we will all be re - u - nit - ed, for he lives.
 in the los - ing and the win - ning, we hold fast.
 in a song that has no end - ing, A - men

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Prayers of Intercession

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

after each prayer petition

A Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

concluding with

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Reaffirmation of Baptism

P Dear friends, we give thanks to God for the gift of baptism as we present ourselves before God this day to affirm our baptism into Christ.

P Let us pray. Merciful God... We ask this in the name of Christ.

C Amen.

P As you affirm your baptism, I ask you to reject sin, profess your faith in Christ, and confess the faith of the church.

P Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

C I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C I renounce them.

P Do you turn to Christ as your Lord and Savior?

C In faith I turn to Christ.

P With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C 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 into hell. 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.

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C 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

P You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

C I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God....

C Amen.

Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offertory

[8] *Christ Unser Herr, Zum Jordan Kam*

BWV 685 J.S. Bach, 1684-1750

[11] *Rivers of Living Water* Karen Marrolli

**Dakota Sioux melody *Lacquiparle* Sanctuary Choir
Toni Tharp, flute; Karen Moxley, violin; Blake Kitch, drum**

There shall be rivers of living water; there shall be streams of spirit light. There shall be rivers of living water that cleanse the soul and give us sight.

There shall be pathways of flowing fountains where rivers seek us to embrace. O let the thirsty come before him and drink the well of healing grace.

O does your soul cry out for oneness, like the deserts seek the rain, like the deer longs for the wellspring?

Great spirit, quench us and sustain! There shall be rivers of living water, there shall be streams of healing bliss

Praise God for this..



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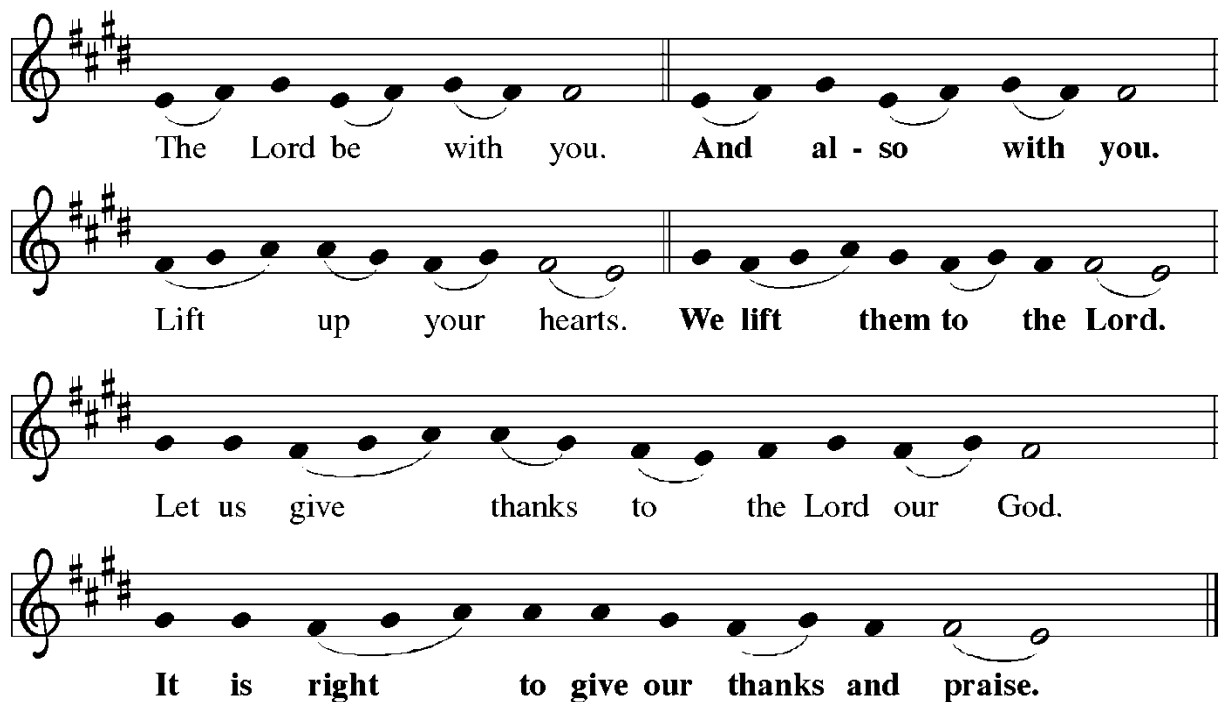
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Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
C **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving



- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations;
in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus [*Latin, Holy & Blessed*]

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.

Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation

We pro-claim your death, Lord; we cel - e - brate your ris - ing; we
break this bread and share this cup un - til you come a - gain.

P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.

C 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.

P Body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.

Agnus Dei [*Latin, Lamb Of God*]



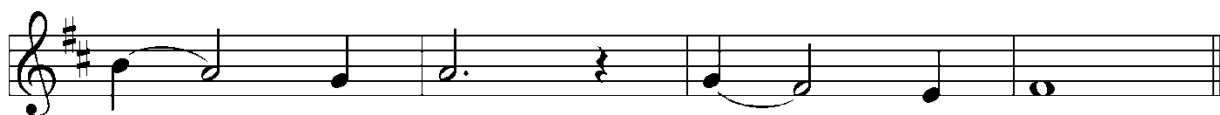
☒ Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



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.



Holy Communion

In-Person: We commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide.

Wine is Red Grape Juice is White

Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to commune each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing:

“Know that the promises of Jesus’s love are for you.”

The following songs may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:

Baptized and Set Free



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
 2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
 3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
 4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
 Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.
 and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.
 All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



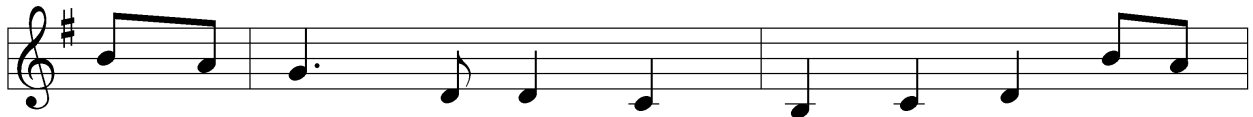
Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
 For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:
 As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:
 Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



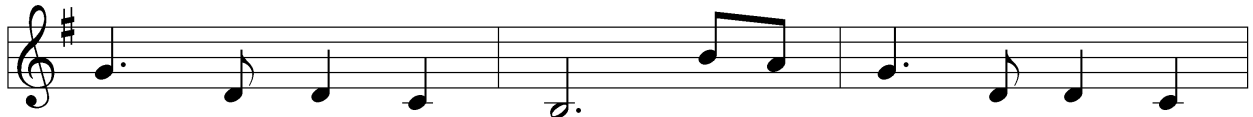
to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.
 end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.
 pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.
 one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

Text: Cathy Skogen-Soldner, b. 1956
 Music: BAPTIZED AND SET FREE, Cathy Skogen-Soldner
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I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry



1 "I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be
 2 "When you heard the won - der of the Word I was
 3 "In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too



there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you
 there to cheer you on; you were raised to praise the
 old, no lon - ger young, I'll be there to guide you



were bap - tized to see your life un - fold.
 liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
 through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a
 If you find some - one to share your time and you
 When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you



faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you
 join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your
 shut your wea - ry eyes, I'll be there as I have



wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell."
 vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
 al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."

4 "I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be

there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you

were bap - tized to see your life un - fold."

Text: John Ylvisaker, b. 1937

Music: WATERLIFE, John Ylvisaker, b. 1937

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in God's grace.
- C** **Amen.**

Post-Communion Canticle



Thank the Lord, your voic - es raise: sing to God with high-est praise!



Tell the won - ders God has done: free-dom, life, the vic - t'ry won.



All who seek the Lord, re - joice; proud - ly bear the name of Christ.



Go in joy where God will send. Al - le - lu - ia! Sing a - men!

Text: Martin A. Seltz, b. 1951

Music: ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

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A Let us pray...
Merciful God,
we thank you for Jesus, who is our heavenly food.
Strengthened by this goodness,
send us forth to announce your peace,
comfort the afflicted,
and share the good news of great joy.

C Amen.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you
peace.

C Amen

Recessional

Wade in the Water

Refrain – All

Em B⁷ Em

Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the wa - ter, chil - dren,

B⁷ Em

wade in the wa - ter, God's a-goin'-a trou-ble the wa - ter.

Leader *All*

1 See that host all dressed in white,
 2 See that band all dressed in red, God's a-goin'-a trou-ble the
 3 Look o - ver yon - der, what do I see?
 4 If you don't be-lieve I've been re - deemed,

B⁷ Em *Leader*

wa - ter, the lead - er looks like the Is - rael - ite.
 looks like the band that . . . Mo - ses led.
 the Ho - ly Ghost a - com-ing on me.
 just fol - low me down to . . . Jor - dan's stream.

All B⁷ Em *Refrain*

God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

[8] Postlude

Baptized in Water Tune: Bunessan
 Arr. Joseph Martin c. 2002

[11] Postlude

Wade in the Water Orchestra

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Viktor Andersson, *piano & vocals*
Debbie Villavicencio, *organ*
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Commemorations This Week

Johann Konrad Wilhelm Loehe, renewer of the church, died 1872

Thursday, January 2, 2025

Loehe was a pastor in nineteenth-century Germany. Loehe's chief concern was that a congregation find its life in the holy communion, and from that source evangelism and social ministries would flow. He sent pastors to North America, Australia, New Guinea, Brazil, and Ukraine.

Adrian of Canterbury, teacher, died around 710 (TFF)

Thursday, January 9, 2025

African by birth, Adrian (or Hadrian) worked with Theodore, archbishop of Canterbury, in developing the church in England. He was director of a school at which church leaders were trained.