



Sunday, January 10 Worship Service

First Sunday after Epiphany – Baptism of Our Lord

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Confession and Forgiveness:

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, whose voice is upon the waters, whose mercy is poured out upon all people, whose goodness cascades over all creation. Amen.

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,  
you search us and know us. You are acquainted with all our ways.  
We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—  
our own sins and the broken systems that bind us. We turn inward, failing to follow your outward way of love. We distrust those who are not like us. We exploit the earth and its resources and fail to consider generations to come. Forgive us, gracious God, for all we have done and left undone. Even before the words are on our tongues, you know them; receive them in your divine mercy.  
Amen.

How vast is God's grace!

Through the power and promise of ✝ Christ Jesus, our sins are washed away and we are claimed as God's own beloved. Indeed, we are forgiven. In the wake of God's forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace.  
Amen.



Opening Song:     Wade in the Water

Prayer of the Day:

Let us pray...

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.

READINGS:

FIRST READING:

Genesis 1:1-5

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING:

Acts 19:1-7

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel:

Mark 1:4-11

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



## Sermon

### The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

- ❖ Scarlett Royal Anthony, Ruby Jane Anthony, Johnny Wells Anthony

### Presentation

... People of God, do you promise to support Scarlett, Ruby, and Johnny and pray for them in their new life in Christ?

We do.

### Profession of Faith

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.



### Thanksgiving at the Font

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God...  
Amen

### Baptism

Scarlette / Ruby / Johnny, I baptize you in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.

### Welcome

... Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:  
join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and  
redeeming word to all the world.

### Prayers

Hear us, O God.  
Your mercy is great.



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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

A Litany of Godspeed & Farewell

A: As the writer of Ecclesiastes reminds us: "For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven." (Ecc. 3:1) Today is a time for us to wish for one another Godspeed and farewell.

P: I wish to thank Our good and gracious God and the members and friends of Overland Park Lutheran Church for 3 plus wonderful years of ministry. You have shown to me and my family great measures of love, kindness and personal support. You have encouraged me when I was right and you have forgiven me when I was wrong. It is with great and lasting joy that I remember the many things we have accomplished together. I thank God and I thank you for it all.



C: With joy and thanksgiving we receive your thankfulness. We thank God for the years you have given to us as a Shepherd of Jesus Christ. We accept now that you conclude your ministry among us.

-We move to the Baptismal Font-

A: You were called among us to lead us to the waters of Baptism and the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

P: By the grace of God I have sought to lead others to Christ through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. I now return this responsibility back to you, the children of God.

C: For your ministry with us we gladly say: "Thanks be to God!"

-We move to the Pulpit-

A: You were called among us to lead us to the Word of life-Jesus Christ through the sermons that you preached in our midst.

P: By the grace of God I have encouraged you with the story of Jesus. It is his life, death and resurrection that sets us free from all fear. I now return this responsibility back to you, the children of God.

C: For your ministry with us we gladly say: "Thanks be to God!"



-We move to the Altar-

A: You were called among us to lead worship and preside at the Holy Communion as we gathered together as children of God.

P: By the grace of God I have been overjoyed to lead you in worship and share with you the forgiveness of sins and the proclamation of everlasting life through the body and blood of Jesus Christ. I now return this responsibility back to you, the children of God.

C: For your ministry with us we gladly say: "Thanks be to God!"

-We move to the front of the Church-

A: Pastor Kris and David, please know that you are surrounded by our love, our prayers and our best wishes for your future in the life God has given you to live. Over the years we have shared tears of sorrow and tears of joy. We have celebrated the birth of babies, mourned the deaths of dear saints, and even navigated during the time of a pandemic. Through it all we have been blessed with memories that will last in our hearts forever.



Eternal God, we thank you for Pastor Kris and David Ross. They have blessed us with much and we wish for them your blessings in the months and years ahead.

May the Lord Bless you and keep you,  
May the Lord lift his countenance upon you  
And be gracious to you.

May the Lord look upon you with favor  
And give you his peace.

In the name of The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit.

Amen.

C: For your ministry with us we gladly say: "Thanks be to God!"

Blessing:

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.  
Amen.



Closing Song: Shine, Jesus, Shine

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Refrain

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;  
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

1. Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness;  
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us, set us free by the truth you now bring  
us, Shine on me, shine on me: [Refrain]

2. As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness,  
ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.  
Shine on me, shine on me. [Refrain]

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