

**Good Hope Parish**

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**“Celebrating and sharing together Christ’s love and hope for all people”**

Baptism of our Lord

January 10, 2021

**Setting 5 WOV**

**10:45 am - NBE**

**Prelude**

**Welcoming Pastor Steven Woyen**

*President of the Congregation Council:* People of God, the Rev. Steven Woyen has been called by the people of this parish to serve Good Hope Parish as our Pastor. We welcome him into our midst as a shepherd and guide for our ministry and thank him for his willingness to serve us and accompany us in our walk of discipleship. Let us together ask God’s blessing’s on Pastor Woyen and upon the work that we will do together in Christ’s name.

*President of the Congregation Council:*  
Loving God, we thank you for sending this faithful pastor to be among us during this special time in the life of our church. And we ask that you would empower him with your Holy Spirit that his preaching and teaching may show forth your living presence, that his counsel might be blessed with wisdom and insight, and that all our work together may witness to the love of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

**C: Amen**

A: Pastor Steven,

**C: We welcome you into our family, and pray God’s blessing be upon you.**

**Welcome and Announcements**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**\* The Thanksgiving for Baptism**

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the Cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

In the Name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

*Water may be poured into the font as the pastor gives thanks.*

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn**

Baptized in Water v1

ELW 456

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our king:  
Heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, faithfully now God’s praise we sing.**

**\*Greeting**

L: 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.**

*(Please be seated)*

**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**

**The First Reading**

Genesis 1:1-5

1 In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. <sup>4</sup> And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> 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 29** (Read responsively)

<sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup> **Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendor.**

<sup>3</sup> The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup> **The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.**

<sup>5</sup> The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

<sup>6</sup> **He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

<sup>7</sup> The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

<sup>8</sup> **The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

<sup>9</sup> The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

<sup>10</sup> **The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.**

<sup>11</sup> May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

**The Second Reading** Acts 19:1-7

19 While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. <sup>2</sup> 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." <sup>3</sup> Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." <sup>4</sup> 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." <sup>5</sup> On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

<sup>6</sup> When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— <sup>7</sup> altogether there were about twelve of them.

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

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**\*The Gospel Acclamation**

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**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**\*The Holy Gospel** Mark 1:4-11

The Holy Gospel according to † Mark, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>4</sup> John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup> 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. <sup>6</sup> Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.

<sup>7</sup> 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. <sup>8</sup> I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

<sup>9</sup> In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup> 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. <sup>11</sup> And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

**\*The Gospel Response**

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated)*

**Kid Talk**

**Sermon**

Pastor Steven Woyen

**Hymn of the Day** Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters v1

ELW 445

**Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleansing waters flow.**

**Number them among your people; bless as Christ blessed long ago.**

**Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light.**

**Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight.**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**\*Apostles' Creed**

**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 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.**

**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**

**\*Offering**

**\*Offertory Prayer:** O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. **Amen**

**\*Prayers of the Church**

In the waters of Baptism, we were called to be God’s children and to minister to one another. Let us therefore pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*After each petition*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude*

Almighty God, you know our thoughts and needs better than we ourselves. Accept the prayers which we now offer, and strengthen us to do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

**\*The 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**

**\*Blessing**

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

**\*Closing Hymn**

Baptized and Set Free v1

ELW 453

**We are people created, chosen by God.  
Then we’re washed, ever gently, in mercy and love.  
Sin has power no more. Jesus opened the door  
To a fountain bringing healing, and wholeness and more.**

**\*Dismissal:** L: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.  
C: **Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude**

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\*Stand as you are able  
WOV = With One Voice ELW = cranberry hymnal  
CCLI: 11200094

**Serving Today**

**Organist:** Sheila Rame **Deacon:** Katie Hanson

**Announcements**

**This week at Good Hope Parish:**

Today 9 a.m. Worship at **Our Savior’s**  
10:45 a.m. Worship at **NBE**

**Tuesday, January 12 9:30 a.m. Ruth Circle at BLC**

Wednesday, January 13 9 a.m. Quilting at OS  
6 p.m. Confirmation at **Our Savior’s**

Sunday, January 17 9 a.m. Worship at **BLC followed by annual meeting**  
10:45 a.m. Worship at **Trinity**

**Welcome Pastor Steven Woyen.** We look forward to your ministry to the 4 churches of Good Hope Parish.

**The St. Luke’s Auxiliary Valentine fundraiser** is taking place now. Valentines in memory of or in honor of someone are \$5. Janet will be collecting for this fundraiser on January 17<sup>th</sup> and February 7<sup>th</sup> at the **BLC worship services**. **At NBE** contact Marsha Blom if you are interested in purchasing a valentine. Thank you for participating.

**GOOD HOPE PARISH ANNUAL MEETINGS**

**Bricelyn Lutheran**

**Sunday, January 17 following the 9 a.m. worship**

Alternate date due to bad weather: January 24 at 10 a.m.

Continuing resolution C10.08.A20— **‘This congregation may hold meetings by remote communication, including electronically and by telephone conference, as long as there is an opportunity for simultaneous aural communication. To the extent permitted by state law, notice of all meetings may be provided electronically.’**— will be voted on to add to the congregation’s constitution at the annual meeting.

**Our Savior’s**

**Sunday, January 24 following 9 a.m. worship**

Alternate date due to bad weather: January 31 at 10 a.m.

**North Blue Earth Lutheran**

**Sunday, January 24 following the 10:45 a.m. worship**

If the service is cancelled due to the weather, NBE will conduct its annual meeting that morning as a Zoom meeting at 11:45 a.m.

**Join Zoom Meeting:**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83005135264?pwd=dm5ZeHZ4ZGc3T3RHRzNOSHJYZmExdz09>**

Meeting ID: 830 0513 5264

Password: 595926

**Trinity**

**Sunday, January 31 following 9 a.m. worship**

There will be only one worship service for the parish on January 31 at 9 a.m. Trinity members are encouraged to attend, all others may view on Facebook Live.

Alternate date due to bad weather: February 7 after the 10:45 a.m. worship



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