

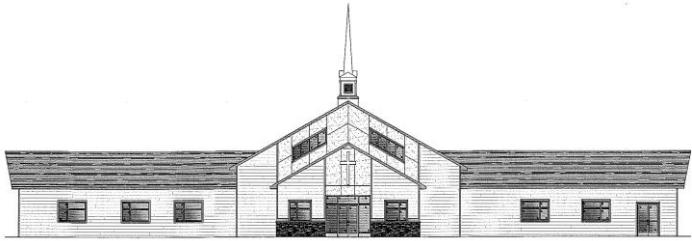
# Baptism of Our Lord

January 18, 2026

10:00 a.m. – Holy Communion

First Lutheran Church

Pastor Bryan Anderson



## Welcome

### \*Call to Worship

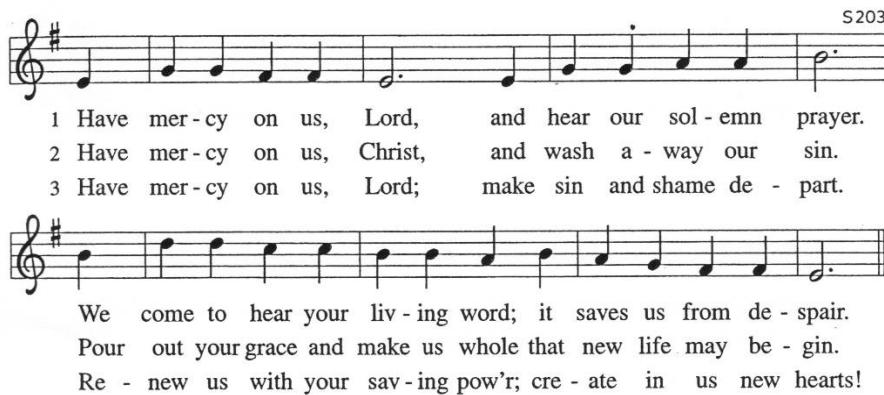
P From the rising of the sun to the setting of the same.

C The name of the Lord be praised. **†**

### \*Opening Hymn #456 – The King of Love My Shepherd Is

### \*Prayer of the Day

### \*Confession of Sin



S203

1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.

We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

P Let us examine ourselves before the Lord.

*(Self-examination)*

C Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice but you take no delight in burnt offerings. The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit, a broken and contrite heart you will not despise. Have mercy on me according to your loving kindness, in your great compassion blot out my offenses. Wash me from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.

### \*Promise of Grace

#### First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

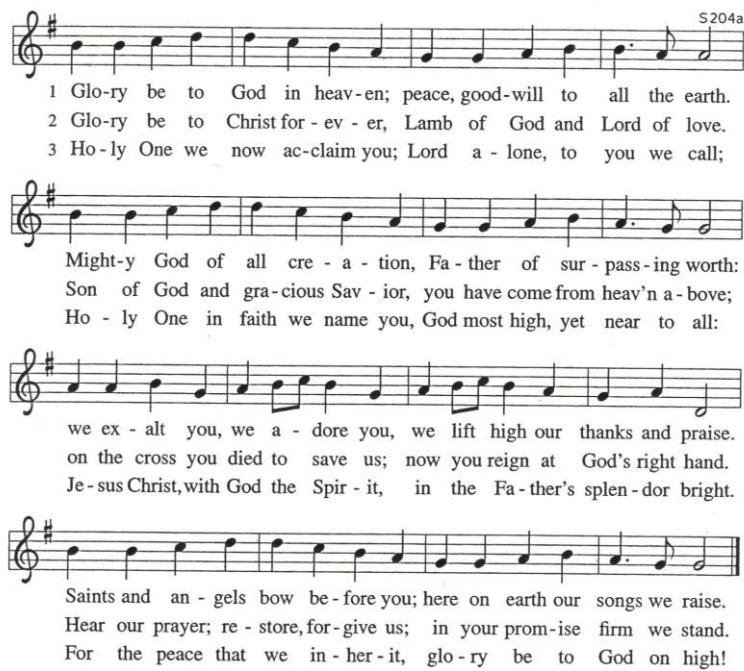
The Lord says, "Here is my servant, whom I strengthen - the one I have chosen, with whom I am pleased. I have filled him with my Spirit, and he will bring justice to every nation. 2 He will not shout or raise his voice or make loud speeches in the streets. 3 He will not break off a bent reed nor put out a flickering lamp. He will bring lasting justice to all. 4 He will not lose hope or courage; he will establish justice on the earth. Distant lands eagerly wait for his teaching." 5 God created the heavens and stretched them out; he fashioned the earth and all that lives there; he gave life and breath to all its people. And now the Lord God says to his servant, 6 "I, the Lord, have called you and given you power to see that justice is done on earth. Through you I will make a covenant with all peoples; through you I will bring light to the nations. 7 You will open the eyes of the blind and set free those who sit in dark prisons. 8 "I alone am the Lord your God. No other god may share my glory; I will not let idols share my praise. 9 The things I predicted have now come true. Now I will tell you of new things even before they begin to happen."

## Second Reading: Romans 6:1-11

What shall we say, then? Should we continue to live in sin so that God's grace will increase? **2** Certainly not! We have died to sin - how then can we go on living in it? **3** For surely you know that when we were baptized into union with Christ Jesus, we were baptized into union with his death. **4** By our baptism, then, we were buried with him and shared his death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from death by the glorious power of the Father, so also we might live a new life. **5** For since we have become one with him in dying as he did, in the same way we shall be one with him by being raised to life as he was. **6** And we know that our old being has been put to death with Christ on his cross, in order that the power of the sinful self might be destroyed, so that we should no longer be the slaves of sin. **7** For when we die, we are set free from the power of sin. **8** Since we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. **9** For we know that Christ has been raised from death and will never die again - death will no longer rule over him. **10** And so, because he died, sin has no power over him; and now he lives his life in fellowship with God. **11** In the same way you are to think of yourselves as dead, so far as sin is concerned, but living in fellowship with God through Christ Jesus.

## Children's Message

## Hymn of Praise



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;  
Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass-ing worth:  
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:  
we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.  
Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## \*Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:13-17

At that time Jesus arrived from Galilee and came to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. **14** But John tried to make him change his mind. "I ought to be baptized by you," John said, "and yet you have come to me!" **15** But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so for now. For in this way we shall do all that God requires." So John agreed. **16** As soon as Jesus was baptized, he came up out of the water. Then heaven was opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God coming down like a dove and lighting on him. **17** Then a voice said from heaven, "This is my own dear Son, with whom I am pleased."

## Sermon

## Baptism Hymn – I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry (v. 1-3)

## Rite of Baptism – LBW Page 121

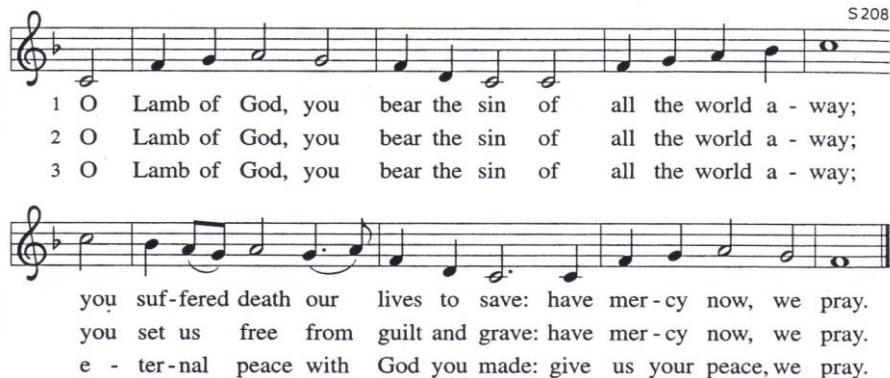
## Baptism Hymn with Presentation — Borning Cry (v. 4-7)

## \*Prayers of the Church

## \*Lord's Prayer

## \*Words of Institution

**Distribution (Lamb of God - below, #518, #526, #532, #551 as needed, use hymnals)**



S 208

1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a-way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a-way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a-way;  
  
you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e-ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## Announcements

### Blessing

### Dismissal

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



You are invited to use our QR code for online giving.  
Offering is also received in the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.

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Organist: Brian Wick  
Reader: Isaac Anderson  
Greeters: Jackie Goodmanson and Tracy Olson  
Ushers: TJ Buhr & Andy Buhr  
Communion Asst: Anna Buhr  
Counters: Anna Buhr & Tim Wyss  
Altar Guild: Lacey Kamm  
Fellowship Servers: Blake & Jackie Johnson  
January 11<sup>th</sup> Worship Attendance: 8:30 AM – 21; 10:00 AM – 112

## GIVING

Total offering for December \$29,124.60 (*\$20,919.75 needed monthly*)  
December year to date offering \$269,777.08 (*\$251,037.00 YTD Budget*)

**Youth and Family Bowling  
at Gibby's, New Richmond**

**Today, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Carpool from church – departing at 1:30 PM**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome** to all who join in worship today, especially any visitors. Visitors are invited to fill out the visitor slip so we can become better acquainted. All are invited to a time of fellowship in the hall after worship.

**All annual reports are due into the church office today.**

**Baptized** into the family of God this morning is Rylee Joyce Johnson, daughter of Blake Johnson and Tianna Anderson. Rylee's sponsors are Ron Doeden and Mariah Peterson.

**We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love:** Tiffany Wagner, Jo Nilssen, Carrie Buhr, Levi Ramsey, and Karleen Swanson, friend of the congregation. *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

**Bible Camp registration at WAPO in Amery is now open.** First Lutheran has received a customized link for parents, which will direct you to our specific, reserved dates at the camp. That link can be found on the church website, Facebook page, or typed in directly: <http://lwlbc.com/first-cl>.

**Thank you** to everyone who sent cards or brought food and kept me in their prayers. Thanks again. May God Bless you all. Judi Desmond

**"Are you looking for a way to serve right here in Polk County?** Kinship of Polk County is seeking adult mentors willing to share their interests and hobbies with a youth for 1-2 hours a week. If you are interested, join one of our upcoming virtual informational meetings: Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, from noon-1:00 or from 5:30-6:30. Please RSVP to [mentoring@polkinship.org](mailto:mentoring@polkinship.org) to register."

**Shopping cards** for Nilssen's, True Value, and Kwik Trip are available every Sunday between services from the Lutheran Men in Mission for Christ. The men receive back a percentage of the sales for mission projects.

**Snow Shoveling Volunteers** are needed. Volunteers are asked to sign-up on the sheet at the back of worship for a week time slot. If it snows that week please remove all from the walkways as shown on the shoveling map with the sign-up. When the building is open, there are shovels and ice melt available otherwise plan to bring your own equipment.

### **THIS WEEK**

<b>Today</b>	<b>ANNUAL REPORTS DUE INTO THE OFFICE</b> 11:00 AM-Fellowship 11:00 AM-Altar Guild Meeting <b>2-4:00 PM-Youth &amp; Family Bowling</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:00 AM-Quilting
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Fellowship &amp; Fun Night</b> 5:30 PM-Supper 6:00 PM-Fellowship & Fun 6:15 PM-7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation 6:15 PM-High School Bible Study 7:30 PM-9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
<b>Saturday</b>	7:30 AM-Women's Book Study
<b>Next Sunday</b>	8:30 AM-Contemporary Worship 9:30 AM-Fellowship 10:00 AM-Sunday School 10:00 AM-Traditional Worship 11:00 AM-Fellowship

# *Abundant* Grace

## *Women's Event*

*Three hours.  
Two Speakers.  
One Purpose.*

*February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026 8:30am-11:30am*

### *Contact:*

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*\$15 Admission*