

Baptism of the Lord: 10 January 2021

Gathering Hymn (*Charles Coffin [1676-1749], tr. John Chandler [1808-76]*)

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh:
come then and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings from the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every Christian breast,
and furnished for so great a guest!
Yea, let us each our heart prepare,
for Christ to come and enter there.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward;
without thy grace our souls must fade,
and wither like a flower decayed.

Stretch forth thy hand to heal our sore,
and make us rise, to fall no more.
once more upon thy people shine,
and fill the world with love divine.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee,
whose advent sets thy people free,
whom, with the Father, we adore,
and Holy Ghost, for evermore.

Gloria (Anne Ward)

***Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.***

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify
you,
We give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord, God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.
Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on
us,
You take away the sins of the world, receive our
prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have
mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the
Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the
Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father.

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Offertory Hymn (*Chrysogonus Waddell OCSO
[1930-2008], from Isaiah 40:1-2.4.9*)

O comfort my people and calm all their fear,
And tell them the time of salvation draws near.
O tell them I come to remove all their shame,
Then they will forever give praise to my name.

Proclaim to the cities of Judah my word:

that gentle yet strong is the hand of the Lord.
I rescue the captives, my people defend,
and bring them to justice and joy without end.

All mountains and hills shall become as a plain
for vanished are mourning and hunger and pain.
And never again shall these war against you.

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Communion Hymn (Donald Fishel)

***The light of Christ has come into the world,
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We must all be born again
to see the kingdom of God;
the water and the Spirit
bring new life in God's love.

God gave up his only Son
out of love for the world
so that ev'ryone who believes in him
will live for ever.

The Light of God has come to us
so that we might have salvation,
from the darkness of our sins, we walk
into glory with Christ Jesus.

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Final Hymn (Marty Haugen)

You are salt for the earth, O people:
salt for the Kingdom of God!
Share the flavour of life, O people:
life in the Kingdom of God!

***Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
Bring forth the City of God!***

You are a light on the hill, O people:
light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
shine for the Kingdom of God!

You are a seed of the Word, O people:
Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
grow in the Kingdom of God!

We are a blest and a pilgrim people:
bound for the Kingdom of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland:
love is the Kingdom of God!

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