

## Upcoming Activities

### Monday, January 14

5:00 Evening Prayer  
7:00 p.m. QAC Chorale Rehearsal

### Tuesday, January 15

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer  
6:00 p.m. EfM  
7:00 p.m. Bible Study  
7:30 p.m. Boy Scout Meeting

### Wednesday, January 16

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
12:00 p.m. Soup Prep  
5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer  
7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting  
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting  
8:00 p.m. NA Meeting

### Thursday, January 17

12:00 p.m. Lunch Bunch-Fisherman's  
3:30-6:30 p.m. Farmer's Market  
5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

### Friday, January 18

9:00 a.m. Backpacks for Kids Prep  
5:30 p.m. Haven Ministry food Pantry-Safe Harbor  
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting

### Saturday, January 19

9:00 a.m. School of Deacons  
10:30 a.m. Scoping Training Class  
2:00 p.m. AA Meeting

### Sunday, January 20

11:30 a.m. Imagine Campaign Listening Session



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## The First Sunday After the Epiphany The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ

January 13, 2019  
10:00 am

### TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUNG CHILDREN...

Our new "Pray-ground" area located in the front of church is a welcome place for children to come anytime during the service. We at Christ Church want her to know they are at home in this house of worship.

The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray, Bishop of Easton  
The Rev. Mark Delcuze, Rector  
Gary Van Essen, Minister of Music  
Brenda Faulkner, Parish Administrator

## Helpful Guidance

**Members:** Please wear your name tag located on the magnetic board in the narthex.

**Receiving Communion:** All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are invited to receive communion, including children. After receiving the wafer, it may be consumed, followed by a sip of wine from the chalice, or dipped in the chalice and then consumed. If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine, cross your arms over your chest. We will offer a blessing for you as we share in Holy Communion. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail.

**Child Care:** A nursery is provided for children up to Pre-K.

**Children:** The “Pray-ground” area located in the front of church is a welcome place for children to come anytime during the service. We want them to know they are welcome here.

**Sunday School:** We invite you to bring your children, from toddlers through 5th graders, to the classroom wing in the back. We offer a fun and easy going class each Sunday morning from 9:45 until the Peace, when we bring the children back into church to join you for Communion. Questions? Contact Lindy Coltharp: 410-212-6269 (cell).

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** We give thanks for the witness of God’s people at St. John’s, Cornersville, and for the Rev. Dr. Dan Dunlap, and his spouse, Donna, and son, Gareth.

**Please pray for:** Angel Amaya, Anne, Trish, & Katherine, April (RIP), Robert Baker, Rodney Bailey, Daniel Bedard, Anthony Block, Candy, Chris, John R. Coursey (Deployed), Denalda, Deny, Dian, Dick Deren (RIP), Deren Family, David Dunton & Family, Marty Everett & Family, Evelyn Folliot, Susan Fralic, Shyan Frenzel, Bob Frew, Gary, Ed Griffith, Margot Hamill, Katy Hartlove, Pam Hartlove, Nicole Douglas Hayward, Denny Holland (RIP), Holland Family, Jim, Jim K, Chuck Kendall, Lynore Kilby (RIP), Kilby Family, Doris Konzal, Bev Lewandowski, Bob Lipsner, Sharon McCain, McClanahan Family, Joe McGuire, Helen Milbourne, Wayne Phelps, Mary Schoen, Bethany Seward, Bryan Seward, Jonathan Seward, Geoff Sherwood, Dawn Sherwood, Nicholas Sipes, Anne Snyder, Betsy Toland, Joy Torbit, Ralph Tull, Kathy Vansant Blyman, Doug Wallace, Veronica Webb, Jack Wright

## Serving Today

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mike Herold, Dick Sells

**Lectors:** Kathy Sells, Susie McLean

**Acolyte:** Emerson Patti, Peter Miller, Logan Rosekrans

**Ushers:** Bernie Gast, Charlie Mead

**Altar Guild:** Sherry Lissitz, Marty Everett, Lois Rys, Melody Sutherland

**Counters:** Gail Renborg, Judy Peppel

**Greeters:** Connie Clark, Caroline Aland

## +Dismissal

*The Celebrant dismisses them with these words*

*People* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” arr. Wagner

## ANNUAL MEETING Sunday, January 27, 2019 ONE SERVICE at 9:00 a.m.

The **Annual Meeting** of Christ Church Parish Kent Island will be held in the Sanctuary following the **9:00 a.m. service**. This is an important occasion in the life of our Parish. We will present the Parish Annual Report, elect Vestry members and lay delegates to the Diocesan Convention and recognize the contributions of our ministries.

At the meeting, the Vestry and officers will present the Parish financial results for 2018 and discuss the approved 2019 Operating Budget. After the meeting, we’ll have a **pizza lunch**. Child care will be available to enable parents to attend the meeting.

## FREE Community Dinner

Sunday, February 10th 5:30 pm

To volunteer or for more information, please contact  
Dottie Wilson (dorothydwilson@yahoo.com, 615-478-2366)  
or Molly Cannon (molly@ccpki.org, 410-991-6752.)

**+Post-Communion Prayer**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*  
Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

**+Blessing**

**Announcements**

**+Post-Communion Hymn** Christ, when for us you were baptized

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,  
 2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,  
 3 Straight - way and stead-fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call  
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.  
 sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.  
 free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.  
 that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

**The Holy Eucharist and Baptism: Rite Two**  
**The Word of God**

**Welcome**

The Rev. Mark S. Delcuze

**Prelude**

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee” arr. Young

**+Processional Hymn**

O love, how deep, how broad, how high  
vss. 1, 2, 3, 6

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing  
 2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly  
 3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his  
 4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in  
 5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he  
 6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so

1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of  
 2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions  
 3 dai - ly works he wrought; by words and signs and  
 4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful  
 5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his  
 6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom

1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.  
 2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.  
 3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.  
 4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.  
 5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.  
 6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

**+Opening Sentences**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*People* There is one Body and one Spirit;  
*Celebrant* **There is one hope in God's call to us;**  
*People* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
**One God and Father of all.**

**+The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Isaiah 43:1-7

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

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. When 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. For 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. Because 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. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I 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--everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God**

Shall we gather at the river  
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1. Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, Where bright an - gel feet have trod; \_\_\_  
 2. On the mar - gin of the riv - er, Wash - ing up its sil - ver spray, \_\_\_  
 3. Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, Lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down; \_\_\_  
 4. Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, Soon our pil - grim - age will cease, \_\_\_

1. With its crys - tal tide for - ev - er Flow - ing by the throne of God?  
 2. We will walk and wor - ship ev - er, All the hap - py gold - en day.  
 3. Grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, And pro - vide a robe and crown.  
 4. Soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er With the mel - o - dy of peace.

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, The beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;

Gath - er with the saints at the riv - er That flows by the throne of God.

1 "I come," the great Re - deem - er cries, "to do thy will, O Lord!"  
 2 "Thus it be - comes us to ful - fill all right - eous - ness," he said.  
 3 Hark, a glad voice! The Fa - ther speaks from heaven's ex - alt - ed height:  
 4 The Sa - vior Je - sus, well - be - loved! His Name we will pro - fess,  
 5 No more we'll count our - selves our own but his in bonds of love.

1 At Jor - dan's stream, be - hold! He seals the sure pro - phet - ic word.  
 2 Then, faith - ful to the Lord's com - mands, through Jor - dan's flood was led.  
 3 "This is my Son, my well - be - loved, in whom I take de - light."  
 4 like him de - sir - ous to ful - fill God's will in right - eous - ness.  
 5 Oh, may such bonds for ev - er draw our souls to things a - bove!

*Read responsively by verse*

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 **Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; \*  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; \*  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 **The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 **He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; \*  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 **The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.**
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 **The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.**
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; \*  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

## The Epistle

Acts 8:14-17

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God

## +Sequence Hymn

Baptized in water

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1. Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the  
2. Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the  
3. Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the  
blood of Christ, our King; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust-ing his  
tomb with Christ, our King; one with his ris - ing, freed and for-  
sign of Christ, our King; born of one Fa - ther, we are his  
prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.  
giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.  
chil - dren, joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

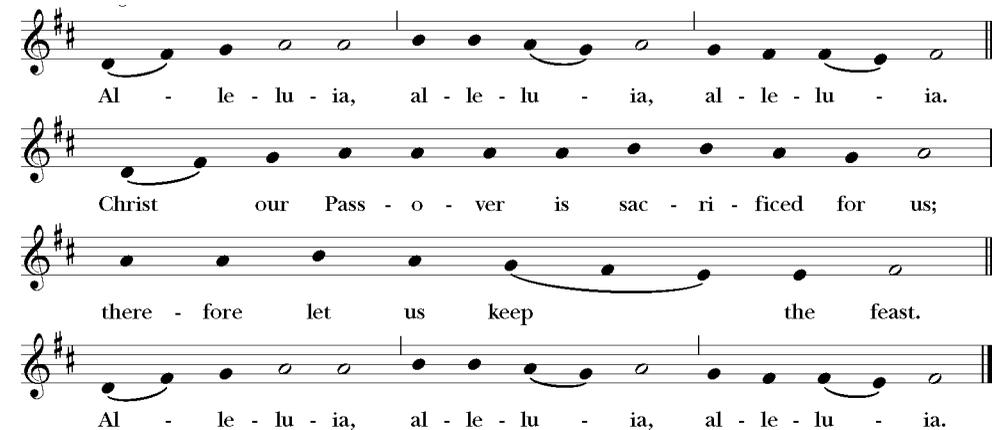
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## +Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

## +Fraction Anthem



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [ \_\_\_\_\_ and ] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

## +The Holy Gospel

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

*Please turn to face the Celebrant*

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke  
*People* **Glory to you Lord Christ**

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John 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. His 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." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and 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."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

## The Homily

The Rev. Mark S. Delcuze

## Holy Baptism and Renewal of Vows

### Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

*The Celebrant says*

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*Sponsors* We present *Harper Rae* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents, and godparents.*

*Celebrant* Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*All* I renounce them.

*Celebrant* Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*All* I renounce them.

*Celebrant* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?  
*All* I renounce them.

*Celebrant* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?  
*All* I do.

*Celebrant* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?  
*All* I do.

*Celebrant* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?  
*All* I do.

*Then the celebrant addresses the congregation, saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support  
*this child* in *her* life in Christ?

*People* **We will.**

*The Celebrant then says these or similar words*

Let us join with *those* who are committing *themselves* to Christ  
and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## The Baptismal Covenant

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?  
*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
*People* **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 to the dead.  
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.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. Therefore we praise you joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

# The Holy Communion

## The Offertory Anthem

“Deep Waters”

Choplin

*Text based on Luke 5:1-11*

Their fishing nets were empty when they first saw the Lord.  
All night they had been fishing in the waters by the shore.  
The Lord said, "Go to deep waters, cast your nets once more."  
And because they obeyed, they would never be the same.

Go to deep waters, deep waters, where only faith will let you go.  
Go out to deep waters, deep waters, harvests of faith will overflow.

They cast their nets and almost before they could begin,  
Their nets were overflowing and they had to pull them in.  
And though this was their greatest catch their fishing days would end.  
For they abandoned all when they heard the master's call.

## Offertory Response

Praise God from whom all blessing flow

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a -bove ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

## +The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of the saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

*Celebrant*

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the Prayers?

*People*

**I will with God's help.**

*Celebrant*

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People*

**I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People*

**I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People*

**I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People*

**I will, with God's help.**

## Prayers for the Candidates

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*

Let us now pray for *this child* who *is* to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Leader*

Deliver *her* O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People*

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader*

Open *her* heart to your grace and truth.

*People*

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Fill *her* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Keep *her* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Teach *her* to love others in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Send *her* into the world in witness to your love.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bring *her* to the fullness of your peace and glory.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant says*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen**

### **Thanksgiving over the Water**

*The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying*

The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the celebrant touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that *she* who here is cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Baptism**

*The candidate is presented to the celebrant who pours water on the candidate saying*

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying to each one*

N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon *this* your *servant* forgiveness of sin, and have raised *her* to the new life of grace. Sustain *her*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give *her* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Clergy and People*

**We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

### **+The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*