

# LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ✠

JUNE 18, 2023

*This morning Pastor Haug continues his summer sermon series on The Lessons and the Legends of the Apostles. Traditionally, this would focus on Jesus' twelve disciples and the traditions attributed to them, but it also includes the last prophet of the Old Testament, St. John the Baptist. Surprisingly, John the Baptist is included in the 12 apostles standing above St. Peter's Square in Rome.*

*John the Baptist is a unique figure in Christian memory, a hinge between the Old Testament prophets and the first Christians. In today's gospel we hear the story of John's own mysterious birth ending with the startling question, "What then shall this child become?"*

*The feast day for John the Baptist is traditionally celebrated on June 24<sup>th</sup>.*



*Naming of Saint John the Baptist, Fra Angelico, 1434-1435*

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*Inspired by Christ, living and growing in faith,  
we are a loving and open community of worship, witness,  
and service in God's world.*  
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Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Psalm 66*

*Please stand as  
you are able.*

## ✠ Gathering ✠

*Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.*

*We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.*

*Swedish Folk Tunes*



Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

**sing the glory of his name;**

**give to him glorious praise.**

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

**Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.**

All the earth worships you;

**they sing praises to you,**

**sing praises to your name."**

Come and see what God has done:

**he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.**

He turned the sea into dry land;

**they passed through the river on foot.**

There we rejoiced in him,

**who rules by his might forever,**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

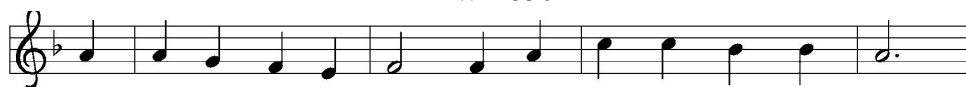
**As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.**

## Gathering Hymn



## How Marvelous God's Greatness

ELW #830



- 1 How mar - vel - ous God's great - ness, how glo - ri - ous God's might!
- 2 Each ti - ny flow'r-et whis - pers the great life - giv - er's name;
- 3 The o - cean's vast a - byss - es in one grand psalm re - cord
- 4 The star - ry hosts are sing - ing through all the light - strewn sky



To this the world bears wit - ness in won - ders day and night:  
the might - y moun - tain mass - es his maj - es - ty pro - claim;  
the deep mys - ter - ious coun - sels and mer - cies of the Lord;  
of God's ma - jes - tic tem - ple and pal - ace courts on high;



in form of flow'r and snow - flake, in morn's re - splen - dent birth,  
the val - leys deep are hymn - ing God's shel - ter for his own;  
the ic - y waves of win - ter are thun - d'ring on the strand;  
when in these out - er cham - bers such glo - ry gilds the night,



in af - ter - glow at eve - ning, in sky and sea and earth.  
the snow - capped peaks are point - ing to God's al - might - y throne.  
and grief's chill stream is guid - ed by God's all - gra - cious hand.  
oh, what tran - scen - dent bright - ness is God's e - ter - nal light!

Text: Valdimar Briem, 1848–1930; tr. Charles V. Pilcher, 1879–1961, alt.  
Music: DEN BLOMSTERID NU KOMMER, *Koralpsalmboken*, Stockholm, 1697  
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## Apostolic Greeting

**P:** 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.**

## Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, **by your gracious providence your servant John the Baptist was born to Elizabeth and Zechariah. Grant to your people the wisdom to see your purpose and the openness to hear your will, that the light of Christ may increase in us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## ✠ The Sacrament of Holy Baptism ✠

Presentation  
*Please be seated.*

*Everly Lynne Baldwin*  
*Parents: Andrea & Matthew Baldwin*

Profession of Faith  
*Please stand,  
as you are able.*



*Please be seated.*

Thanksgiving  
at the Font

Baptism

*Please join in  
singing this refrain.*

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**C: I renounce them.**

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

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

**C: 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.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

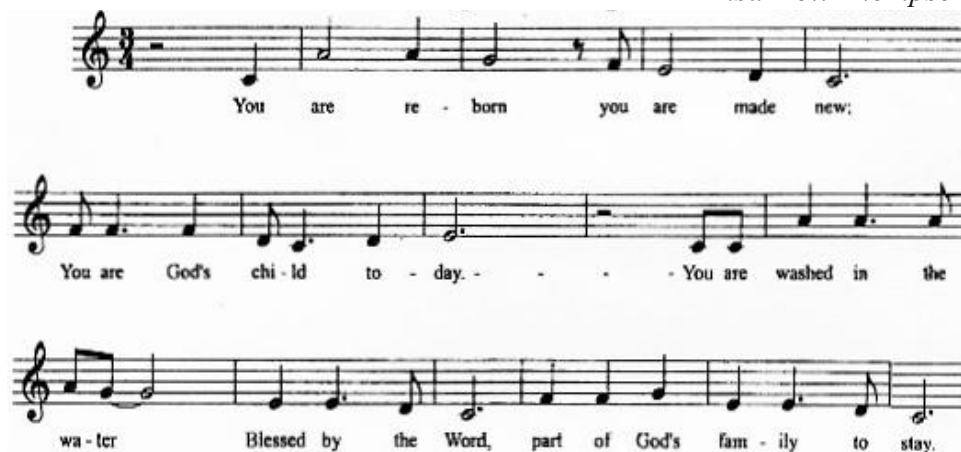
**C: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**



**C: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.**

### *The Baptismal Song*

*Lisa Holt Thompson*



## ⌘ Word ⌘

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community.  
As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*



### Gospel

*Luke 1:57-66*

*The birth and naming of  
John ends his father  
Zechariah's silence. He  
announces the child's  
name given by the angel  
and speaks a prophecy  
about the newborn  
infant.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>57</sup> Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. <sup>58</sup> Her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. <sup>59</sup> On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him Zechariah after his father. <sup>60</sup> But his mother said, "No; he is to be called John." <sup>61</sup> They said to her, "None of your relatives has this name." <sup>62</sup> Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. <sup>63</sup> He asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John." And all of them were amazed. <sup>64</sup> Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and he began to speak, praising God. <sup>65</sup> Fear came over all their neighbors, and all these things were talked about throughout the entire hill country of Judea. <sup>66</sup> All who heard them pondered them and said, "What then will this child become?" For indeed the hand of the Lord was with him.

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**



Sing verse 1,  
verse 2 below,  
& verse 3.



## By All Your Saints ELW #420

1 By all your saints still striv - ing, for all your saints at rest,  
2 A - pos - tles, proph - ets, mar - tyrs, and all the no - ble throng  
3 Give praise to God Al - might - y, and wor - ship God the Son,

your ho - ly name, O Je - sus, for - ev - er - more be blessed!  
who wear the spot - less rai - ment and raise the cease - less song -  
and sing to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One,

For you a - rose vic - to - rious that they might wear the crown  
for these passed on be - fore us, we sing our praise a - new  
till all the ran - somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,

and share the light of glo - ry re - flect - ed from your throne.  
and, walk - ing in their foot - steps, would live our lives for you.  
and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone.

2. We praise you for the Baptist,  
Forerunner of the Word,  
Our true Elijah, making  
A highway for the Lord.  
The last and greatest prophet,  
He saw the dawning ray  
of light that grows in splendor,  
until the perfect day.

Sermon  
Please be seated

John 3:22-30



## The Lessons and Legends of the Apostles – St. John the Baptist

<sup>22</sup> After this Jesus and his disciples went into the Judean countryside, and he remained there with them and was baptizing. <sup>23</sup> John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim, because water was plentiful there, and people were coming and being baptized <sup>24</sup> (for John had not yet been put in prison).

<sup>25</sup> Now a discussion arose between some of John's disciples and a Jew over purification. <sup>26</sup> And they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, he who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you bore witness—look, he is baptizing, and all are going to him." <sup>27</sup> John answered, "A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven. <sup>28</sup> You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, 'I am not the Christ, but I have been sent before him.' <sup>29</sup> The one who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete. <sup>30</sup> He must increase, but I must decrease."

*Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.*

Hymn of the Day  
Please stand as  
you are able.



## Children of the Heavenly Father ELW #781



Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,  
1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa-ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;  
2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour - ish.  
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil-dren sev - er;  
4 Though he giv - eth or he tak-eth, God his chil-dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



stjär-nan ej på him-la - fäs - tet, få-geln ej i kån-da näs - tet.  
nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.  
un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.  
his the lov - ing pur-pose sole - ly to pre-serve them pure and ho - ly.

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Music: TRYGGARE KAN INGEN VARA, Swedish folk tune  
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## Prayers of the Church

P: Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.  
*A brief silence.*

A: For the church here and around the world, we pray. Seek out disciples and send them out with authority to proclaim good news,... Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all of whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

## Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.*

## ✠ Offering ✠

*Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.*

### Special Music

Offertory  
Please stand as  
you are able.



### Swedish Folk Melody

#### Give Thanks

W&P #41

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And  
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

*Last time*

### Offertory Prayer

A: God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.



## Great Thanksgiving

*You Are Holy*  
ELW #525



## ✠ Meal ✠

*We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...

*Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer*  
*You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more*

*än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.*  
*than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.*

*Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,*  
*Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here*

*väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.*  
*to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.*

<sup>2</sup>  
*Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,*  
*You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,*

*du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!*  
*you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!*

*Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,*  
*Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!*

*ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.*  
*Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!*

Words of Institution



Lord's Prayer

**C: 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.**

Invitation to  
Communion  
*Please be seated*

**P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table has been prepared. All are welcome.**



*As The Deer*  
*W&P #9*



Distribution Music

*Swedish Hymn Medley*

Distribution

*Holy Communion will begin in the front of the church, nearest where the pastor and assisting minister will distribute the bread and wine. Please take either a glass of red wine or white grape juice from the full tray and place your emptied glass into the extra tray which is in front of the first pew.*

*Your offerings will also be received as the usher directs you toward the front of the church for communion.*

Post-Communion

Blessing  
*Please stand as  
you are able.*

**P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.**

**C: Amen.**

Post-Communion  
Prayer

**A: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord..**  
**C: Amen.**

## Closing Hymn



## ✠ Sending ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,  
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

### *How Great Thou Art*

*ELW #856*



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der con - sid - er  
2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the  
3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, sent him to  
4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me



all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y  
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun-tain  
die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad-ly  
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - o -



thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the u - ni - verse dis - played;  
gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;  
bear - ing he bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
ra - tion and there pro - claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

#### *Refrain*



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, how great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

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## Benediction

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

Announcements



Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

*Swedish Folk March*

*You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music & praise.*

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## WELCOME

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*We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—  
for prayer and worship. We will continue to have Sunday services online.*

*We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you  
as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.*

### YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Pastor .....	Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug
Organist .....	Dr. Kristina Rizzotto
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Communion Assistant .....	Marty Carlson
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## CALENDAR

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SUNDAY, JUNE 18	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion...</i>	Sanctuary & YouTube
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
	3:00 PM	<i>Janse Recitals.....</i>	Sanctuary
MONDAY, JUNE 19	<b>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b> <b>MONDAYS DURING THE SUMMER</b>		
	7:00 PM	<i>AA.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY, JUNE 20	5:30 PM	<i>UN Association Board Meeting.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	<i>Men's AA.....</i>	Patio/Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	<i>AA/Recovery &amp; Spirituality.....</i>	Christy Room/Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21	10:00 AM	<i>Bible Study.....</i>	Library/Zoom
	12:00 PM	<i>Staff Meeting.....</i>	Christy Room
THURSDAY, JUNE 22	12:00 PM	<i>Al Anon.....</i>	Fellowship Hall
SUNDAY, JUNE 25	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion...</i>	Sanctuary & YouTube
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour.....</i>	Fellowship Hall

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SCAN TO GIVE



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### Prayer List

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:



**Kathy Dahl**, daughter of Phyllis Dahl; **Marta Brown**, daughter of Liz & Mike Brown; **Matthew Moen**; **Anna Lena Skold**; **Trygve Svard**; **Cindy Kiester**, niece of Carolyn and David Hagford; **David Zarling**, friend of Kathy and Mark Hering; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Beth Addington & Elizabeth Muench**, friends of the congregation; **Natalie Mozey**, daughter of Alan and Mary Poulsen; **Allison Peterson**, friend of Susanne Haas; **Bunny & David Anderson**, sister and brother-in-law of John Bergford; **David Cook**, brother of Jenny Cook; **Kathy Sawyer**, niece of Philip Friedlund; **Joey Juras & Fitz Loula**, friends of the Gruys family; **Dona Duff**, mother of Mark Duff; **Alison Reagon**, friend of Mark Duff & Michelle McCreery; **Lyle Kuehn**, brother-in-law of Carol Kuehn; the family of **Ken Haenel**.

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### Meditation

**LOTI** is available during office hours for a time of quiet meditation. You can use the sanctuary to spend time in prayer, light a candle, listen to recorded sacred music, and/or use a guided meditation tool. Please call the church office to reserve a time.

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### Luther Park 2023 Summer Camp

Check out the summer camp opportunities at Luther Park in Danbury, WI. There's something for everyone (youth, families, grandparents/grandchildren)! Go to [Luther Park](#) for registration and details.

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### Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members & families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

*Janet Stewart 6/18 Lynn Wehrman 6/19  
Andrea Christy 6/21 Ryan Hoel 6/23  
Lilyana Morell 6/23 Erytreia Morell 6/23  
Susan Melby 6/24*

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### Nursery in the Christy Room

Parents with little ones are welcome to use the Nursery, as needed. Ushers can help you with directions or simply follow the signs provided in the back of the Sanctuary. The livestream of the service will be playing in the Christy Room for you to view.

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### Kid Worship Materials

Kid worship materials are available in the Narthex (back of Sanctuary). Crayon packets and a variety of coloring pages and activity sheets are available for your children to enjoy during worship.

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### LOTI Women's Book Club

**Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 PM**

**Home of Deb Gilroy**

This month's selection is

*The World According to Mr. Rogers*, by Fred Rogers.

Join us! Bring a snack to share if you like.

[Deb Gilroy LOTI Groups](#)

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Friday 9:00 AM to Noon

