

January 11, 2009

Lectionary Readings

Genesis 1:1-5 Before creating light and darkness, the wind/breath/spirit of God moves over the waters of creation.
 Psalm 29 The voice of the Lord is at work over the waters and all of creation.
 Acts 19:1-7 In Ephesus, Paul teaches that baptism involves both repentance and the gift of the Spirit.
 Mark 1:4-11 John the Baptist baptizes Jesus in the Jordan, and a voice from heaven is heard.

Call to Worship

At the baptism of Jesus, God said:
“You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.”
 When we hear God’s call to prayer, God is summoning us:
“You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.”
 When we hear God’s call to service, God is inviting us:
“You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.”
 When we hear God’s call to repentance, God is welcoming us:
“You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.”
 When we feel God’s absence, God is still supporting us:
“You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.”
 Let us worship the God of our baptism, the God who blesses us still.

Hymns for the Day

	PH	EH	ELW	UMH	NCH	VU	STF	SNC	TFBF	HFTG
Hymns of Praise										
The God of Heaven (Psalm 29)	180					755				
Songs of Thankfulness and Praise		135	310			101				
Old Testament										
God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens	268	580	771	150	556					
Creating God, Your Fingers Trace	134	394, 395	684	109	462	265				
God Created Heaven and Earth	290		738	151	33	251				
Epistle										
Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us	129	510	404	651	281	198				
Crashing Waters, At Creation			455		326	449	2247	237		
Baptized in Water	492	294	456							
Gospel										
Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized	70	121	304			99				
When Jesus Came to Jordan	72	139	305	252		100				
Down Galilee’s Slow Roadways										16
Shall We Gather at the River			423	723	597	710			179	
Communion										
Become to Us the Living Bread	500			630						
The Sinless One to Jordan Came		120								
Sending										
Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized	70	121	304			99				
Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God			458	604		441				
Wade in the Water			459				2107			
Important Hymns from Other Sources										
I Believe in God Almighty (Apostles’ Creed), Sylvia Dunstan, <i>In Search of Hope and Grace</i> , GIA										
From All the Wind’s Wide Quarters, Timothy Dudley-Smith, <i>Common Praise</i>										

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Prayer of Confession

**Creating God, your voice is heard over the waters.
 In the waters of baptism you claim us,
 yet we resist your claim,
 lining up with those coming to John at the Jordan,
 awaiting a word of judgment.
 Forgive our shallowness of trust.
 Help us to follow your Son, our Lord,
 who surrendered himself to you in baptism
 and heard you speak pleasure in him.
 Deepen our faith,
 that we, too, might surrender ourselves to you.**

Psalm Settings

Psalm 29 Metrical
 “Give Glory to God” PsH 29
 “The God of Heaven” PH 180
 “The Voice which Shakes the Earth” TP 29
Responsorial
 “Glory to God” TPP 29
 “The Lord shall Give Strength” PP2 22
 “The Lord will Bless all People” PCY8 5

Contemporary Songs

“Shake Up the Morning” John Bell/Graham Maule
Heaven Shall Not Wait
 “The Lord Will Bless All People” (Psalm 29) David
 Haas *Psalms for the Church Year (Celebration)*,
 Vol. 8, GIA
 “Wash Me in the Water” John Bell *We Walk His
 Way*, Wild Goose Publications/GIA
 “Gloria, Gloria” Jacques Berthier PH
 “God, the Sculptor of the Mountains” John
 Thornburg/Amanda Husberg *Sing the Faith*
 “I Know the Lord Has Laid His Hands on Me”
 African-American spiritual/Foster *African-
 American Heritage Hymnal*
 “If You Believe and I Believe” Arr. John Bell
 (Zimbabwe) GIA, G-4379; *Sing! A New Creation*

Global Songs

“Take Me to the Water” AAHH 675
 “Loving Spirit” (New Zealand) SNC 235
 “The Lord’s Prayer” (Indonesia) STB 116

Baptism of the Lord

Anthems for Larger Choirs

“The Baptism of Christ” P. Hallock, GIA G-2331, SATB
 “Joys Seven” S. Cleobury, OXF 019353227 1, SATB
 “Take Me to the Water” A. Parker, GIA G-4238, SATB

Anthems for Smaller/Youth Choirs

“Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized” Helman,
 Aug (978-0-8006-7405-2), SAB, keyboard
 “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” Leavitt,
 Concordia (98-3907), SATB, keybd
 “Light Shone in Darkness” Sedio, Aug (978-0-8006-
 7830-3), SATB, piano
 “Waterlife” Hanson, Aug (978-0-8006-7441-0), SSB,
 keyboard, sax, cong.

Anthems for Children’s Choirs

“As the Water Sings” Dorothy Christopherson,
 clarinets/tuba/bass, ACL 11-10476
 “The Baptism of Our Lord” Charles Callahan, opt.
 descant, MSM 50-2003
 “See This Wonder in the Making” Carl Schalk, opt.
 C instr., MSM 50-8400
 “You Have Put On Christ” Howard Hughes, 2-part,
 opt. instr., GIA G-2283

Handbell Music

“Jubilant Procession” Jane McFadden, AGEHR,
 #AG36033, 3–6 oct. handbells, opt. 3 oct.
 hand chimes, L3
 “Beside Still Waters” Howard F. Starks, Agape,
 #2394, 3–5 oct. handbells with opt. 3 oct.
 hand chimes, L2+
 “Come, Thou Almighty King” Arr. Mary Kay
 Parrish, Agape, #2410, 3–5 oct., L3+

Organ Music

“Interpretation on Holy Manna” David Cherwien,
Interpretations, Vol. 9 AMSI (E+)
 “Baptism Dance” Dan Locklair, *Windows of Comfort*,
 Vol. 1, ECK (D)
 “Roll, Jordan, Roll” Ralph Simpson, MS (M+)
 “Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam,” BWV 684 and
 685, Johann Sebastian Bach, *Clavierbung III*, BR,
 Vol. 4 (D)