The Order of Vespers

for the Baptism of Our Lord

Hymn

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy (Service Folder, p.5)

Stand

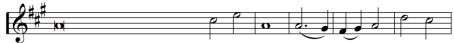
V O Lord, open my lips.



V Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



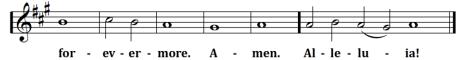
R Make haste to help me, O Lord.



Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly



Spir-it; as it was in the beginning, is now and ev - er shall be,



Sit

Psalmody

Psalm 2

The verses are spoken antiphonally between the Pastor and Congregation.

(Antiphon) As for me, I have installed my king upon my holy hill of Zion.

Why do the nations rage

and the people plot a vain thing?

The kings of the earth take their stand, and the rulers take counsel together,

against the LORD, and against his anointed.

"Let us tear off their bonds

and cast their cords away from us."

He who dwells in the heavens laughs at them;

the Lord mocks them.

Then he shall speak to them in his anger and terrify them with his wrath.

As for me, I have installed my king

upon my holy hill of Zion.

I will declare the LORD's decree: He said to me,

"You are my Son. Today I have begotten you.

Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for your possession.

You will break them with an iron scepter;

you will dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel."

Now, then, you kings, be wise!

Be warned, you judges of the earth!

Serve the LORD with fear,

and rejoice with trembling!

Kiss the Son, lest he be angry and you perish on the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little.

Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

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

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forevermore. A men.

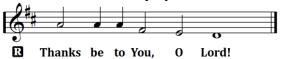
(Antiphon) As for me, I have installed my king upon my holy hill of Zion.

First Lesson

Isaiah 42:1-13

After each Lesson:

P O Lord, have mercy upon us.



Second Lesson

Matthew 3:13-17

Responsory



Arise, shine, for your light | has come

And the glory of the Lord has risen upon | you.

And Gentiles will walk in your light, and kings in the brightness that rises up- | on you.

And the glory of the Lord has risen upon | you.

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

And the glory of the Lord has risen upon | you.

Hymn

To Jordan Came Our Lord, the Christ (Service Folder, p.6-7)

Sermon

Stand

V Let my prayer be set before You as incense.



R And the lifting up of my hands as the eve-ning sac - ri - fice.

The Canticle

The Magnificat — Luke 1:46-55



My — | soul | magni- | fies | the | Lord, *

And my spirit rejoices in | God | my | Sav- | ior.

For — | He | has | re- | gard- | ed *

the lowly estate of | His | hand- | maid- | en:

For, be- | hold | from this time | forth *

all generations will | call | me | bless- | èd.

For — | He who is mighty has | done to | me | great | things; * and ho- | ly | is | His | name.

And His | mercy is on | those | who | fear | Him *

from generation to | gen- | er- | a- | tion.

He has | shown | strength | with | His | arm; *

He has scattered the proud in the imagi- | nation | of | their | hearts.

He has | put down the | mighty | from | their | seats, *

and exalted those | of | low | de-| gree.

He has | filled the | hungry | with | good | things; *

and the rich He has | sent a- | way | emp- | ty.

He has | come to the aid of His servant Israel, in remembrance | of | His | mer- | cy; *

As He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his | seed | for- | ev- | er.

Glo-ry | be to the Father, | and | to | the | Son, *

and to the | Ho- | ly | Spir- | it;

As it | was in the beginning, is now, and | ev- | er | shall | be, * forev- | er- | more. | A- | men.

Prayers

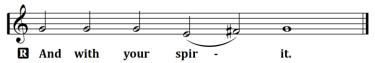


C Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-on us.



Lord, have mer - cy up-on us.

- 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.
- **P** The Lord be with you.



The Pastor says one or more Collects. After each, the congregation sings:



P Let us bless the Lord.



P The grace of our Lord → Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

Johann Rambach, 1693-1735, abr.; O DASS ICH TAUSEND tr. Catherine Winkworth, alt. Your name 1 Bap-tized in - to most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and 2 Mv lov - ing Fa - ther, here You take me To be hence - forth Your 3 My faith - ful God, You fail me nev - er; Your prom - ise sure - ly 4 All that and love most dear-ly-Re - ceive all, am Ghost, though weak Но ly I claim a place, and low - ly, child and heir. My faith - ful Sav ior, here You make me will en dure. 0 cast me not a way for - ev - er Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly; A - mong Your saints, Your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and Here, Ho - ly of The fruit all Your sor - rows share. Spir - it, If and deeds Have mer - cy words be - come im - pure. should Ι Help me faith - ful child Let noth - ing Your to be! that I dead sin, Your Spir - it shall live with - in. to now com - fort When threat-'ning see! me clouds a - round Ι For - give, lift Your child. be de - filed: up, re - store am or own Serve an - y will but Yours a - lone.





5 Thus Jesus His disciples sent:
Go, teach ye every nation,
That lost in sin they must repent,
And flee from condemnation;
He that believes and is baptized,
Obtains a mighty blessing;
A new-born man, no more he dies,
Eternal life possessing,
A joyful heir of heaven.

6 Who in this mercy hath not faith,
Nor aught therein discerneth,
Is yet in sin, condemned to death,
And fire that ever burneth;
His holiness avails him not,
Nor aught which he is doing;
His inborn sin brings all to naught,
And maketh sure his ruin;
Himself he cannot succor.

7 The eye of sense alone is dim, And nothing sees but water; Faith sees Christ Jesus, and in Him The Lamb ordained for slaughter; She sees the cleansing fountain red With the dear blood of Jesus, Which from the sins inherited From fallen Adam frees us, And from our own misdoings.