

The Church of
ST. JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA

ORDER OF WORSHIP



THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

The Baptism of Our Lord

YEAR C

January 10, 2010

Before the service speak to God, during the service let God speak to you, after the service please speak with your neighbor!

Welcome to St. Joseph of Arimathea. We are thankful that you decided to join us for worship this morning. Once you enter the sanctuary, please take time before the service to reflect and pray. Suggested prayers before worship can be found on page 833 of the Book of Common Prayer.

Children are always welcome to sit with their parents for the entire worship service. Because we know this is not always ideal, *nursery care is provided downstairs during the 10:30 service* for ages five and under and a cry room is available on the main floor. If your child does not remain with you for the whole service, they are encouraged to return for communion.

Other helpful notes:

- *Page numbers refer to The Book of Common Prayer (red).*
- *Hymn numbers (H) and service music numbers (S) refer to The Hymnal 1982 (blue).*
- *Please turn off your cellular telephone and electronic devices.*
- *A large-print version of this leaflet is available from our ushers upon request.*

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I AT 8:00 A.M.

The service begins on page 323 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

THE WORD OF GOD

COLLECT OF THE DAY		See insert
FIRST LESSON	Isaiah 43:1-7	See insert
PSALM OF THE DAY	Psalm 29	See insert
SECOND LESSON	Acts 8:14-17	See insert
GOSPEL	Luke 3:15-17, 21-22	See insert
HOMILY	The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt	
NICENE CREED		BCP 327

THE HOLY COMMUNION

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I	BCP 333
POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER	BCP 339
BLESSING AND DISMISSAL	



THE WORD OF GOD

PROCESSIONAL: *Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness*

H339

1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
 2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
 3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me

gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's
 dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
 glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
 know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:
 vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
 at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
 from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won-drous ban - quet found - ed— high o'er all the heavens he
 be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from
 vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.
 hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry, giv - en.
 give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

The service begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

OPENING ACCLAMATION:

BCP 355

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

The following is sung, all standing

CANTICLE 20, GLORY TO GOD: GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

S 280 (Blue Hymnal)

Glory to God in the highest,
 and peace to his people on earth.
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 almighty God and Father,
 we worship you, we give you thanks,
 we praise you for your glory.
 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
 Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you take away the sin of the world:
 have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
 receive our prayer.
 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. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

See Insert

FIRST READING:

Isaiah 43:1-7

See Insert

THE PSALM OF THE DAY:

Psalm 29

See Insert

SECOND READING:

Acts 8:14-17

See Insert

All stand.

1 Sing praise to our Cre - a - tor, O you of Ad-am's race—
 2 To Je - sus Christ give glo - ry, God's co - e - ter - nal Son;
 3 And praise the Ho - ly Spi - rit poured forth up - on the earth;

God's chil - dren by a - dop - tion, bap - tized in - to his grace.
 as mem - bers of his Bo - dy we live in him as one.
 who sanc - ti - fies and guides us, made strong in our re - birth.

HOLY GOSPEL: **Luke 3:15-17, 21-22** See Insert

Gospeller: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to _____.*
 People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Gospeller: *The Gospel of the Lord*
 People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

SERMON: The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt

NICENE CREED **BCP 358**
All stand.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM V **BCP 389**

THE CONFESSION **BCP 360**

THE PEACE *All stand*

Then the ministers and the people greet one another in the name of the Lord. Announcements follow

✠ THE HOLY COMMUNION ✠

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offering of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

DOXOLOGY:

H 380, (Vs. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP 361

THE SANCTUS:

S-129

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

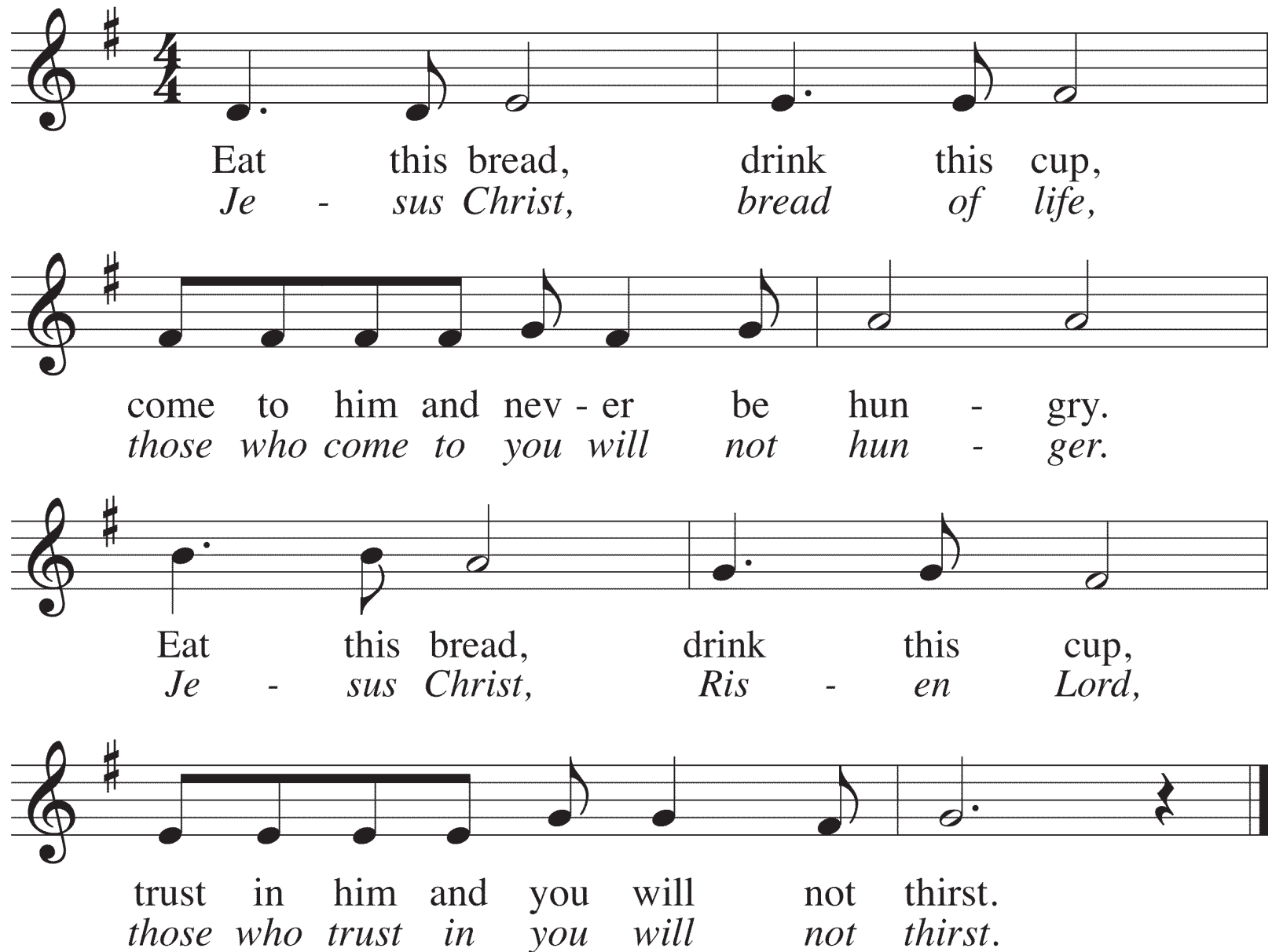
Please stand or kneel at this time, as best helps you to pray.

ON RECEIVING COMMUNION:

All baptized Christians who are in love and charity with their neighbors are invited to the Lord's table. If you do not wish to receive, you are invited to come forward for a blessing in the name of Christ—simply cross your arms over your chest to let the servers know that you will not be receiving.

One or more of the following prayers, or some other, may be said quietly or silently before receiving:

The Prayer of Humble Access: BCP 337 or a prayer before receiving communion: BCP 834



Eat this bread, drink this cup,
Je - sus Christ, bread of life,

come to him and nev - er be hun - gry.
those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup,
Je - sus Christ, Ri - sen Lord,

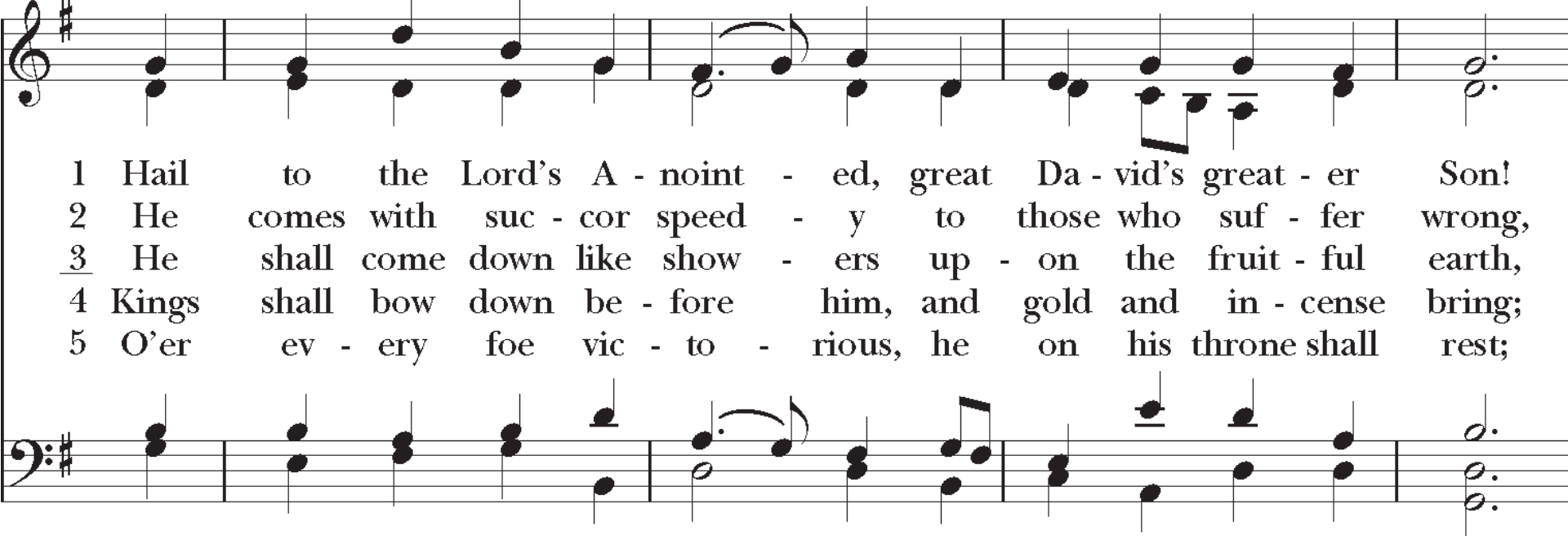
trust in him and you will not thirst.
those who trust in you will not thirst.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

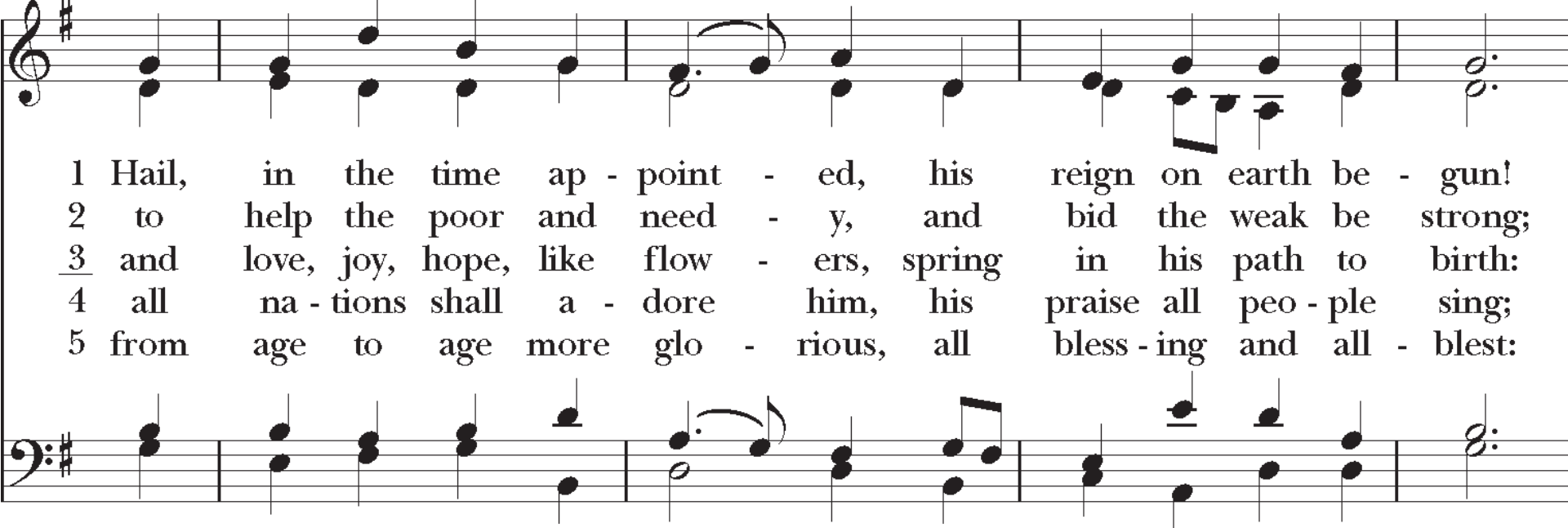
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Almighty and everliving God,
 We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
 of the most precious Body and Blood
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
 that we are living members of the Body of your 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



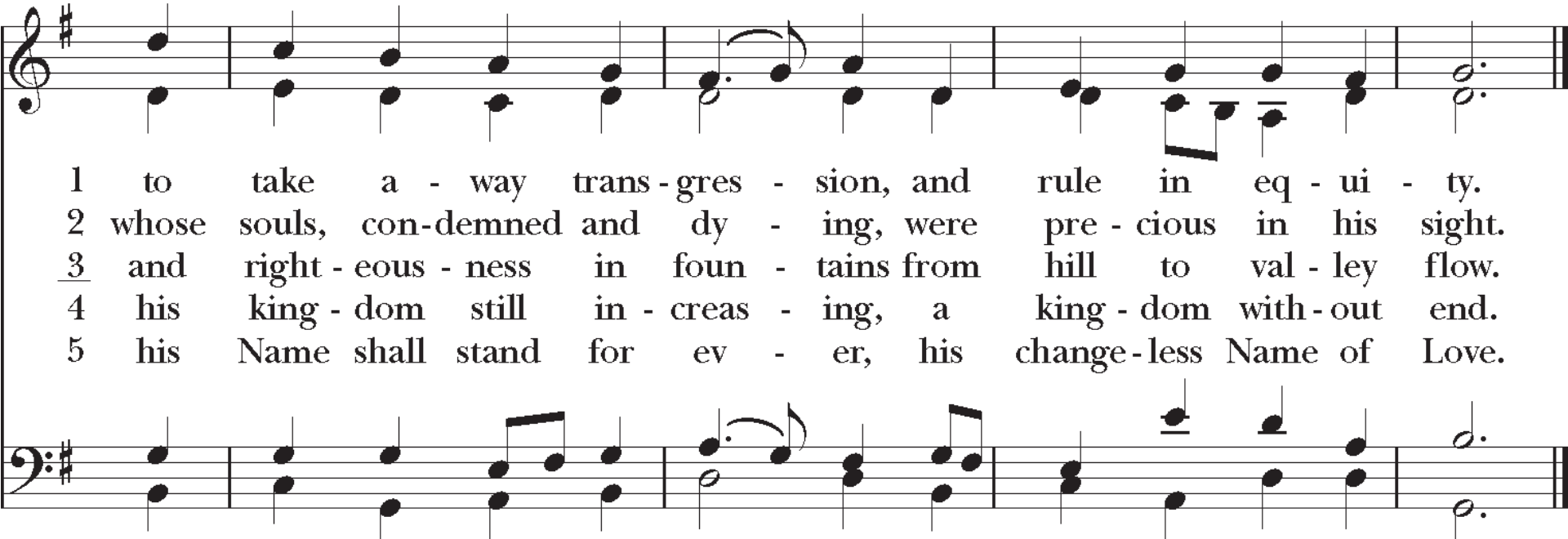
1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!
 2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,
 3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,
 4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;
 5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;



1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
 2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
 3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:
 4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;
 5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:



1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;
 2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,
 3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;
 4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;
 5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;



1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.
 4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.
 5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

DISMISSAL



A NOTE ON TODAY'S READINGS

The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ—Years A,

B, & C

Welcome to the Church of St. Joseph of Arimathea. Today is one of four occasions in the year designated by the Prayer Book as a baptismal day. The other three are Easter, Pentecost, and All Saints' Day. Each of the four days has its particular theme which enhances our understanding of one aspect of the primary Christian sacrament, Holy Baptism.

On this, the First Sunday after the Epiphany, we celebrate the Baptism of Our Lord. The first reading looks forward to the ministry of the Messiah. The second reading is one of the early Christian proclamations about the gift of the Holy Spirit given to those who believe in Christ. Jesus' Baptism was for all the Gospel writers, and in the apostolic preaching of the Gospel, the event which initiated the redemptive ministry of the Messiah. It was in this event that Jesus was revealed as Messiah (Christ). God proclaimed him the beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit.

In Holy Baptism each Christian is adopted as the child of God. Each Christian becomes a "messianic" person, anointed by the Holy Spirit. We do not simply become passive recipients of the benefits of Christ; we are "christed," or christened. We become sharers in his life and his redemptive ministry.

All those who are baptized and anointed with chrism are received "into the household of God." They join with that household in confessing "the faith of Christ," proclaiming his resurrection and sharing in his eternal priesthood, the priesthood which is enacted sacramentally in the Eucharist and daily in lives of self-giving love toward one another and toward the world.

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