

# KOUNTZE MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

## A CITY-WIDE CHURCH WITH A WORLD-WIDE MINISTRY

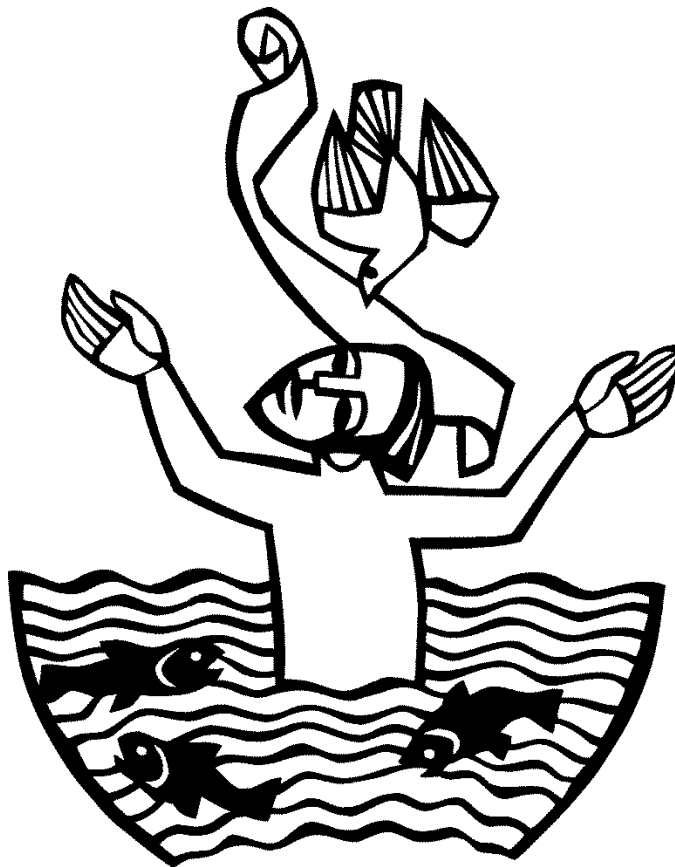
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January 7, 2018

9:00 & 11:00 AM

### BAPTISM of OUR LORD



*Our re-creation in baptism is an image of the Genesis creation, where the Spirit/wind moved over the waters. Both Mark's gospel and the story in Acts make clear that it is the Spirit's movement that distinguishes Jesus' baptism from John's. The Spirit has come upon us as upon Jesus and the Ephesians, calling us God's beloved children and setting us on Jesus' mission to re-create the world in the image of God's vision of justice and peace.*

## PRELUDE

## GATHERING

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(stand)*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who stretches out the heavens,  
who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all.

**C** Amen.

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.*

**P** Loving God,

**C** we confess that we have turned from your way  
to follow our own ways.

**Forgive us for the times**

**we have spoken or acted too quickly;**

**we have not spoken or acted at all;**

**we have hurt those closest to us;**

**we have hurt those we have yet to know;**

**we have thought more about ourselves than others;**

**we have thought less of ourselves than we ought.**

**Turn us around, and give us a fresh start,**

**so that we can live again as your children. Amen.**

**P** Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of † Jesus Christ our Savior.

**C** Amen.

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright!"*

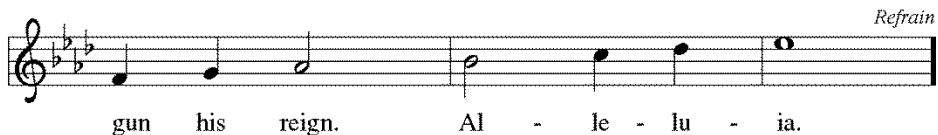
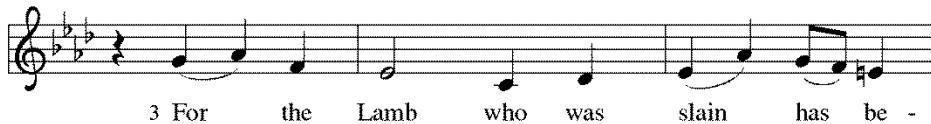
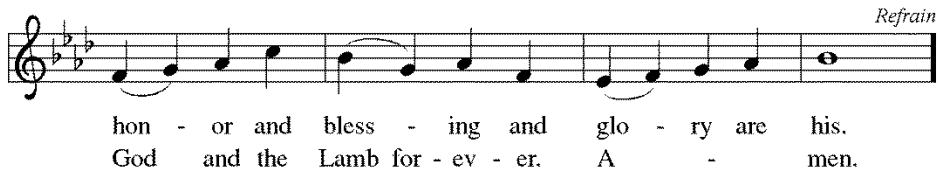
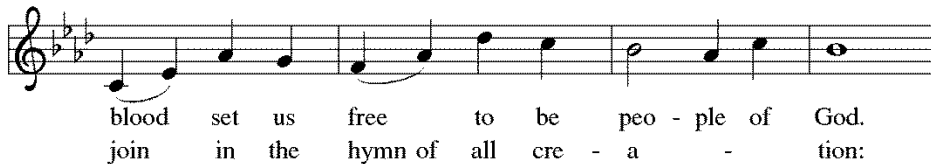
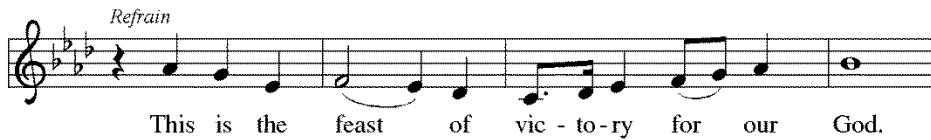
**ELW 308**

### 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.

# HYMN OF PRAISE



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness,  
**G** your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we will follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## WORD

(sit)

### FIRST READING

**Genesis 1:1-5**

*Out of chaos, God brings order. Out of the primeval darkness, God brings light. This familiar story was good news for the Israelites, who experienced much chaos in their history. It remains good news for any person living in the chaos and darkness of despair. God created and continues to create new life.*

**I**n the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, <sup>2</sup>the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup>Then God said, “*Let there be light*”; and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

### PSALM 29 (read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup>**Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God’s name;  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

<sup>3</sup>The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup>**The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;  
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**

<sup>5</sup>The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

<sup>6</sup>**the Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

<sup>7</sup>The voice of the Lord  
bursts forth in lightning flashes.

<sup>8</sup>**The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

<sup>9</sup>The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.  
And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, “Glory!”

<sup>10</sup>The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;  
the Lord sits enthroned as king forevermore.

<sup>11</sup>O Lord, give strength to your people;  
give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace.

## SECOND READING

Acts 19:1-7

*In Ephesus, Paul encounters people who had received John's baptism of repentance but had never heard of the Holy Spirit or of baptism in the name of Jesus. After Paul baptized them, the Holy Spirit came upon them and empowered them with gifts of the Spirit.*

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. <sup>2</sup>He said to them, “*Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?*” They replied, “*No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.*” <sup>3</sup>Then he said, “*Into what then were you baptized?*” They answered, “*Into John's baptism.*” <sup>4</sup>Paul said, “*John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.*” <sup>5</sup>On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. <sup>6</sup>When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—<sup>7</sup>altogether there were about twelve of them.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

(stand)

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

**G** Glory to you, O Lord.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

**Mark 1:4-11**

*Mark's gospel reports the story of Jesus' baptism with some irony: the one on whom the Spirit descends is himself the one who will baptize others with the Holy Spirit.*

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup>And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>6</sup>Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup>He proclaimed, "*The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. <sup>8</sup>I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.*"

<sup>9</sup>In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup>And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. <sup>11</sup>And a voice came from heaven, "*You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.*"

**P** The Gospel of our Lord

**G** Praise to you, O Christ.

(sit)

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

*Children (aged 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to come forward for a blessing. Then, they may either follow the teacher upstairs for an extended children's sermon (joining us again later in time for Communion) or they may return to their seat and use the Spark Bible and/or activity bags during the regular sermon.*

## SERMON

Pastor Roynesdal

(stand)

## HYMN OF THE DAY

"When Jesus Came to Jordan"

**ELW 305**

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

☞ I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

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.

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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Response:   ☞ Lord, in your mercy,  
                  ☞ hear our prayer.

*(In our prayers today, during a time of silence, pray for those listed below and for others according to their needs)*

**Thanksgiving:** For the baptism of Emma Rae Garday, daughter of Benjamin & Megan

**Illness:** Marvin Andersen, Lois Carlsen, Jr Green (husband of Marvel), Eunice Grunberg,  
Virginia Jensen, Sheri Tipton, Ed White

**Sympathy:** To the family and friends of Grant Christensen, brother of Mike Christensen

**Other Prayers:** *Those serving in the military* – Amy Dyer, Brennan Hron, Michael McNeill,  
Daniel Milstead, Sheldon Skovgaard, Michael Vutov, and Joel Woosley

**Other Prayers:** *Those serving in mission* – Rev. Chandran Paul Martin, India; Dr. Stephen &  
Jodi Swanson, Tanzania; Krystle Moraska & Ignacio Madrussan, Argentina; Lindsay Mack,  
Mexico; Our sister congregation, the American Church in Berlin

## THE PEACE IS SHARED

☞ The peace of Christ be with you always.  
☞ And also with you.

# MEAL

(sit)

## THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED

*We glorify God in our giving. Our offering is an act of worship that makes the ministries of this church possible. We encourage everyone to give. If you are visiting with us today, please do not feel obligated to participate in this portion of worship. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online or use the giving kiosk in the Fellowship Hall.*



## THE TABLE IS PREPARED

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*“Down to the Water to Pray”*

arr. Pepper Choplin

solos: Kevin Larkowski and Danny Bos

(stand)

### OFFERTORY HYMN

*“Create in Me a Clean Heart”*

ELW 186



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take  
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

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## OFFERING PRAYER

- ☐ Merciful God,
- ☑ receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*(The Thanksgiving continues)*

- ☐ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...  
...and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE LORD’S PRAYER

- ☞** 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

- P** We who are many are one body,  
**C** for we all partake of the one bread. We come to be filled with light and life.

*(sit)*

### HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

<i>“Remember and Rejoice”</i>	<b>ELW 454</b>
<i>“We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus”</i>	<b>ELW 451</b>

*(stand)*

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P** O Morning Star, fair and bright,  
**C** you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go  
with us now—today, tomorrow, every day—that we tell the story of your never-  
ending love and sing your praise both now and forever. Amen.

## SENDING

### DISMISSAL OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

#### BLESSING

**P** The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

**G** Amen.

#### HYMN

*“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”*

**ELW 632**

#### DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

**G** Thanks be to God.

#### POSTLUDE

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KOUNTZE STAFF

Pr. Olaf Roynesdal	Senior Pastor
Pr. Paul Moessner	Associate Pastor
Pr. Ashley Hall	Associate Pastor
Pr. Inba Inbarasu	Visitation Pastor
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Sheri Rose	Financial Secretary
Søren Johnson	Assist. Bldg. Superintendent
Barbara Carlsen	Dir. of Music & Fine Arts
Donna Moessner	Director of Children’s Music
Danny Bos	Handbell Director/Assist. to the Bldg. Superintendent
Mark Jones	Organist
David Gerard	Saturday Accompanist
Sheri Lynn Tipton	Night Security Manager
Norma Pafford	Nursery Superintendent
Joyce Palmer	Urban Ministries Coordinator

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

SUNDAY, 9:00 AM

Comm. Asst.	Scott Henneman Kevin Larkowski
Lector	Susie Henry
Ushers	Joe Councill Jim Comfort Jan Falk John Georgeson Jeff Perkins Fred Wachal Chad Wachholtz Dave Forrest
Greeters	Darlene Anderson Lennea Davis Jinette Cswercko
Crucifer	Angie Arispe
Acolytes	Tyler Johnston Kenyon Martis

SUNDAY, 11:00 AM

Comm. Asst.	Ashley Sum Lowell Harms
Lector	Bruce Anderson
Ushers	Dudley Syre Adam Klinker Linda Hoagland Julie O'Doherty
Greeters	Peggy Johnson Myrna Carter
Crucifer	Torin Edwards
Acolytes	Henry Rief Rachel Stouffer

WORSHIP + GROW + SERVE

HOLY COMMUNION All who

are baptized and trust in Christ's presence in Holy Communion are invited to commune at the Lord's Table . Children not yet communing will receive a blessing. Instructions will be provided during worship. It is the understanding of the universal Church that those who wish to commune with bread only (especially for health reasons) have communed fully.

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP** We believe that all are welcome in worship and encourage families to worship together. Quiet activity bags, children’s bibles, and bulletins are available, as well as a Quiet Room, just off the west side of the main sanctuary, that includes a TV and a variety of toys, games, and books for young children.

**NURSERY** is available from 9 AM—noon for children 0—2 years. Please ask an usher if you are unsure as to where our nursery is and would like to use it.

**ATTENDANCE CARDS** All those attending worship are encouraged to fill out the card included in your bulletin and place in the offering plate.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND LISTENING DEVICES** Please speak to an usher if you would like a large print bulletin or an assisted listening device.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS** If you are interested in joining our congregation, the next class will be held January 14 & 21 from 12—2 PM. Please plan to attend both sessions. Lunch will be served and childcare is provided. Please indicate your attendance plans on your attendance card or call the church office and let us know if you will need childcare.

**E-NEWS & SOCIAL MEDIA** If you would like to receive our weekly e-news and monthly e-newsletter, add your e-mail address to the card in your bulletin or text your e-mail address to 22828.

TODAY AT KOUNTZE

**KOUNTZE CAFÉ** Join us on Sundays for a hot breakfast buffet served from 8-11 AM prepared by Jim West and the kitchen crew. The suggested donation for the hot breakfast is, \$5 adults, \$2.50 children 12 and younger. If you're able to help set up, prep/cook, and/or clean up after breakfast on Sunday mornings, please talk to Jim, or let the church office know. We would appreciate your help! Thanks.

**ADULT FORUM** Join us on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall from 10:10-10:50 AM. **THIS WEEK:** Why Was Jesus Baptized? **NEXT WEEK:** Review of Congregational Constitutional Changes

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES TODAY

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** Join us each Sunday on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor for children 2 years—8<sup>th</sup> grade. Preschool 1 (2-4 yrs) meets from 9—10 AM (child care for those too old for the nursery). Sunday School (2 yrs—8<sup>th</sup> grade) is held from 10:10—10:50 AM. Sunday School rotational lessons is beginning a six week study of The Lord’s Prayer. “Teach Me to Pray” has six workshops: art, cooking, science, music, movie, and games. Each workshop features an element of prayer. The children will learn to praise God for being a wonderful and powerful creator, tell him about their sins, thank God for all the things he does and gives to us, and then ask God to help us and others. They will learn that Jesus gave us the Lord’s Prayer so we would know how to pray. In addition, we will be learning Bible verses and the Books of the Bible. It will be fun, informative, and full of worship!

**HIGH SCHOOL FORUM** Join us each Sunday in the Youth Center at 10:10 AM.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH CHOIR** rehearsal in the Adult Choir room each Sunday from 11—11:40 AM. Come and sing!

**ALTAR FLOWERS AND ETERNAL CANDLE** The 2018 sign-up sheets are available. Altar Flowers are provided by Janousek Florist and cost \$20 a bouquet. The Eternal Candle is \$7.50.

**SIMPLY GIVING UPDATE FOR 2018 PLEDGE** If you have made a change to your pledge for 2018 and your offerings are made through Simply Giving, please be sure to contact the office to allow us to make that change. You may notify Lauri Askew (402-341-7761 or lauri@kmlchurch.org) and we’ll make that change for you.

**PASTOR’S CLASS** Pastor Olaf Roynesdal is teaching a class on the Augsburg Confession

(the Confessio Augustana) which is the foundational doctrinal document of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. The six-week class continues to meet on Wednesdays at 10:30 AM and 6:30 PM thorough 2/7.

**A CHURCH CONSTITUTION?** The Church is both *spiritual* and *material/physical*. As the Body of Christ, we are to be God’s physical presence in the world and we are to be empowered by the Holy Spirit. A church constitution is one way the Spirit helps us overcome human limitations. Your Council recommends revisions to our congregation’s constitution. To see what is there, including the revisions, come to the **Adult Forum next Sunday, 1/14**. You may also review the old and the revised documents at [www.kmlchurch.org](http://www.kmlchurch.org), under “About us.” You may also obtain a paper copy by contacting the Office.

**KMLC MEN’S LUNCHEON** Thursday, 1/18, 11:30 AM at Kountze Memorial – Cost \$10. Jeff Senn will tell of his work with the brand new Hope Lodge, part of the work of the American Cancer Society. Please RSVP by Tuesday, 1/16, to the church office or Pastor Paul (402-341-7761 or paul@kmlchurch.org).

**CONGREGATIONAL GAME NIGHT** Saturday, 1/27, 5:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. Monopoly, Jenga, Scrabble, Catchphrase, Gin Rummy....what's your game? We will have them all! Join us for conversation, community, and a little competition at the Congregational

God’s voice is heard in baptism.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Mark 1:4-11	Baptism of Christ
Monday	Genesis 1:1-5	The first day in all creation
Tuesday	Acts 19:1-7	Baptism into Christ
Wednesday	1 Peter 1:3-9	New birth into a living hope
Thursday	Luke 3:15-22	Baptism of Christ
Friday	Romans 6:1-5	Dying and rising with Christ
Saturday	Psalms 29	The great God over all creation
Sunday	John 1:43-51	Jesus calls Philip and Nathanael

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

And a voice came from heaven, “You are my son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.” **Mark 1:11 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, you whose voice makes all things new, make us new this day with baptismal grace. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

In the beginning, God made the heavens, earth, and sky. For life and food and daily care, we praise you, Lord Most High! Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God who rules over land and sea, give you strength to be God’s people. May the Lord bless you with peace. (Psalm 29:10-11)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

- In your daily life, whose voice do you tend to hear, trust, and follow?
- In Genesis 1:3 and Psalm 29, these texts emphasize that God speaks and things happen. How do you hear the voice of God today? How does that impact or change your life?
- What does it mean to you that through your baptism, you are God’s beloved child?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Mark 1:9-11 and Acts 19:1-7.

Since the time of the early church, baptism has been referred to as “a mystery,” a sacramental act of God that combines Jesus’ command, the Holy Spirit, the physical presence of water, and God’s promise of forgiveness. Our baptism involves trust and faith that goes beyond our abilities to fully comprehend the work and grace of God. It involves a mystery. How does it bless your life to trust that God has acted in your baptism just as God spoke and acted in the baptism of Jesus? Pray the following prayer:

Pray: **Dear God, creator of goodness and light, your voice moves over the waters and gives us new life in baptism. Come Holy Spirit, forgive us each day as a follower of Jesus and give us life everlasting. Amen.**

SERVICE

The Baptism of our Lord Sunday is a good time to reach out to your baptismal sponsors or someone for whom you have sponsored in baptism. It is also a good time to reach out to someone you have mentored or who has mentored you in the life of faith. Send that person a note of appreciation and thanksgiving as together you live and trust in God’s promises.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Christian baptism ushers in a new life in Christ that involves daily repentance and forgiveness. To emphasize the daily renewal we experience in baptism, begin each day by making the sign of the cross on your forehead or over your heart and say: **“In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I am a beloved child of God.”** Consider this as a tradition you continue into the future.

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Game Night. Pizza, salad, and beverages will be provided. Bring a dessert or snack to share. Have a fun game? Bring that as well! All ages welcome. RSVP to the church office by Friday, 1/26.

**WORSHIP LEADER TRAINING** Saturday, 2/10, from 10:00 to 11:30 AM. Join us for training of Communion Assistants, Lectors, and Ushers. All current servers and those who wish to serve in the future are encouraged to attend. Please call the church office to register.

**KMLC COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS** Scholarship are funds available to any eligible college-bound student member. Active members of Kountze Memorial planning or continuing to attend ANY college, university or seminary may submit an application. Additional eligibility requirements are noted on the application. Applications can be picked up after the first of the year in the Church Office, or downloaded at [www.kmlchurch.org](http://www.kmlchurch.org). Applications are due 3/1. Applications received after this date will not be accepted. Please note: Scholarships are not automatically renewable, and recipients must re-apply each year.

For additional information about upcoming calendar events, please visit our website, [www.kmlchurch.org](http://www.kmlchurch.org)

THIS WEEK AT KOUNTZE

January 7 Sunday

Baptism of Our Lord  
Homebound Communion  
7:45 AM & 10:00 AM Adult Choir  
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Breakfast  
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Worship  
9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)  
10:10 AM Adult Forum  
10:10 AM deFreese Manor Board  
10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)  
10:10 AM Sunday School (2yr-8th gr)  
11:00 AM MS/HS Choir Rehearsal  
8:30 PM LCM Worship @ CU

January 8 Monday

10:00 AM Pantry

January 9 Tuesday

9:00 AM Staff Meeting

January 10 Wednesday

9:00 AM Sewing Group  
10:30 AM Augsburg Confession Class  
12:15 PM Worship  
6:00 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 PM Confirmation Dinner  
6:30 PM Confirmation  
6:30 AM Augsburg Confession Class  
7:00 PM Worship  
7:30 PM Closing Worship

January 11 Thursday

9:30 AM WELCA Board Meeting  
11:30 AM Property Committee  
4:00 PM Healing Gift Free Clinic

January 13 Saturday

5:00 PM Worship

January 14 Sunday

7:45 AM & 10:00 AM Adult Choir  
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Breakfast  
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Worship  
9:00 AM Nursery (0-2 yrs)  
10:10 AM Adult Forum  
10:10 AM Youth Forum (gr 9-12)  
10:10 AM Sunday School (2yr-8th gr)  
10:30 PM Executive Committee  
11:00 AM MS/HS Choir Rehearsal  
12:00 PM Book Group  
12:00 PM New Member Class  
8:30 PM LCM Worship @ CU

**Next Weekend’s Lessons**  
1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]  
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18  
1 Corinthians 6:12-20  
John 1:43-51

**Saturday Attendance:** 52  
**Sunday Attendance:** 9:00: 122 11:00: 0  
**Midweek - Noon:** 6  
**Total:** 180  
**Pantry Guests Served:** Closed for New Years  
**Medical Clinic Guests Served:** Closed  
**Offering: (12/24/17)**  
\$36,180.55 (Regular) \$12,422.00 (Specials)  
\$21,499.00 (In the City for Good)  
**Offering: (12/31/2017)**  
\$36,219.63 (Regular) \$5,620.00 (Specials)  
\$22,137.00 (In the City for Good)

Congregational Meeting

Sunday January 28, 2018  
10:10 AM

Fellowship Hall

Annual Report, Constitution, 2018 Budget