RESPONSIVE PRAYER I

Opening Hymn # 590 "Baptized into Your Name Most Holy"

- Baptized into Your name most holy, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 I claim a place, though weak and lowly, Among Your saints, Your chosen host.
 Buried with Christ and dead to sin, Your Spirit now shall live within.
- My loving Father, here You take me To be henceforth Your child and heir. My faithful Savior, here You make me The fruit of all Your sorrows share. O Holy Spirit, comfort me When threat'ning clouds around I see.
- My faithful God, You fail me never; Your promise surely will endure.
 O cast me not away forever If words and deeds become impure. Have mercy when I come defiled; Forgive, lift up, restore Your child.
- 4 All that I am and love most dearly— Receive it all, O Lord, from me. Let me confess my faith sincerely; Help me Your faithful child to be! Let nothing that I am or own Serve any will but Yours alone. Text: Public domain

Opening Versicles

- L Holy God, holy and most gracious Father,
- **C** have mercy and hear us.

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.

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Psalm 121

¹I lift up my eyes | to the hills.* From where does my help come? ²My help comes | from the LORD,* who made | heaven and earth. ³He will not let your | foot be moved;* he who keeps you will not | slumber. ⁴Behold, he who keeps | Israel* will neither slum- | ber nor sleep. ⁵The LORD is your | keeper;* the LORD is your shade on your | right hand. ⁶The sun shall not strike | you by day,* nor the | moon by night. ⁷The LORD will keep you from all | evil;* he will | keep vour life. ⁸The LORD will keep your going out and your | coming in* from this time forth and for- | evermore. Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

St. Matthew 28:16-20 (ESV)

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Catechism: Holy Baptism - First

What is Baptism?

Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.

Which is that word of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Matthew 28:19)

Sermon

Our Offerings to Our Faithful God

Prayer

- P Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord,
- **C** and grant us Your salvation.
- **P** Let Your priests be clothed with righteousness;
- **C** and let Your saints shout for joy.
- **P** Lord, keep this nation under Your care,
- **C** and guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- \mathbf{P} Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
- **C** for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon the earth.
- **P** Let the peoples praise You, O God;
- **C** let all the peoples praise You!
- \mathbf{P} For the needy shall not always be forgotten,
- **C** and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.
- P Create in me a clean heart, O God,
- **C** and renew a right spirit within me.
- **P** Hear my prayer, O Lord;
- C let my cry come to You.

Collect of the Day

L Let us pray...

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Evening Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benedicamus

- **L** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Blessing

- **L** The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.
- **C** Amen.

Closing Hymn # 350 "Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come"

- Come, Thou precious Ransom, come, Only hope for sinful mortals!
 Come, O Savior of the world!
 Open are to Thee all portals.
 Come, Thy beauty let us see;
 Anxiously we wait for Thee.
- Enter now my waiting heart, Glorious King and Lord most holy.
 Dwell in me and ne'er depart, Though I am but poor and lowly.
 Ah, what riches will be mine
 When Thou art my guest divine!
- My hosannas and my palms Graciously receive, I pray Thee;
 Evermore, as best I can, Savior, I will homage pay Thee, And in faith I will embrace, Lord, Thy merit through Thy grace.
- 4 Hail! Hosanna, David's Son! Jesus, hear our supplication! Let Thy kingdom, scepter, crown, Bring us blessing and salvation, That forever we may sing: Hail! Hosanna to our King.

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