



THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 11, 2026

WELCOME TO RESURRECTION!

We're glad you're here! At Church of the Resurrection (Rez), we believe that you can be transformed by encountering the love of Jesus. Through this encounter, many people have received healing, become part of a community, and learned to serve others. Our vision is to invite everyone into this kind of transforming relationship with Jesus and his Church, whether you are exploring Christianity for the first time or grew up attending church.

If you are visiting us for the first time or watching on livestream, we are so excited to have you with us. We would love to meet you and give you a gift at the Guest Center.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Matt Woodley".

Fr. Matt Woodley
Interim Cathedral Dean
churchrez.org



Anglican Diocese
of the **Upper Midwest**

As the cathedral church, Resurrection is the headquarters for our regional family of churches, the Anglican Diocese of the Upper Midwest, as well as the home of Bishop Stewart Ruch. The mission of our Diocese is to plant a revival of Word and Sacrament infused by the Holy Spirit.

We are also a member of the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA).



Bishop Stewart E. Ruch III
Diocese of the Upper Midwest
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CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

VISITING?

We would love to meet you and give you a gift at the Guest Center.

CHILDREN

Children's ministry is available for infants through 5th grade. RezKids Midweek for grades 1 to 5 will resume on January 21. It meets on Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm.

YOUTH

RezYouth, for middle and high school students, resumes on January 21. It meets on Wednesdays, 6:30-8/8:30pm. Visit churchrez.org/youth to learn more.

ADULTS

Rooted in Scripture, our adult Bible study, is on break and will resume meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 7-8pm, in the Sanctuary.

QUESTIONS?

- For general questions:
office@churchrez.org
- Set up a meeting with a pastor:
meghanrobins@churchrez.org
- Contact non-staff vestry (church board):
rezvestrymembers@gmail.com

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30am & 10:30am



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THE WORD OF GOD

*In the first half of the service, we encounter God
by hearing and responding to his truth in the Bible.*

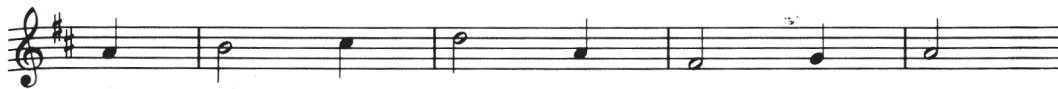
The Processional Hymn

Please stand.

The Sinless One to Jordan Came



1 The sin - less one to Jor - dan came,
2 Up - ris - ing from the wa - ters there,
3 A - bove him see the heaven - ly Dove,
4 How blest that mis - sion then be - gun
5 O Christ, may we bap - tized from sin,
6 On you may all your peo - ple feed,



1 and in the riv - er shared our stain;
2 the Fa - ther's voice did then de - clare
3 the sign of God the Fa - ther's love,
4 to heal and save a race un - done!
5 go forth with you a world to win:
6 and know you are the Bread in - deed,



1 God's right - eous - ness he thus ful - filled,
2 that Christ, the Son of God, had come
3 now by the Ho - ly Spi - rit shed
4 Straight to the wil - der - ness he goes
5 grant us the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power
6 who gives e - ter - nal life to those



1 and chose the path his Fa - ther willed.
2 to lead his scat - tered peo - ple home.
3 up - on the Son's a - noint - ed head.
4 to wres - tle with his peo - ple's foes.
5 to shield us in tem - ta - tion's hour.
6 that with you died, and with you rose.

Words: William Mercer (1811-1873), after Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608).

Music: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET, mel. att. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); arr. and harm. J.S. Bach (1685-1750).

The Acclamation

CELEBRANT: *Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*

PEOPLE: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

CELEBRANT: *Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.*

ALL: **Amen.**

The Summary of the Law

CELEBRANT: *Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:*

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets (Matthew 22:37-40).

The Kyrie

CELEBRANT: *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

PEOPLE: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

CELEBRANT: *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Songs of Worship

The Gloria may be sung.

The Collect of the Day

A brief prayer on the theme of the day.

CELEBRANT: *The Lord be with you.*

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

CELEBRANT: *Let us pray.*

Eternal Father, at the baptism of Jesus you revealed him to be your Son, and your Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove: Grant that we, who are born again by water and the Spirit, may be faithful as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

ALL: **Amen.**

The Lessons

READER: *A reading from the Book of the prophet Isaiah.*

Isaiah 42:1-9 (ESV)

READER: *The Word of the Lord.*

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 89:20-29 (BCP 2019)

- ²⁰ I have found David my servant; *
with my holy oil have I anointed him.
- ²¹ My hand shall hold him fast, *
and my arm shall strengthen him.
- ²² The enemy shall not be able to do him violence; *
the son of wickedness shall not hurt him.
- ²³ I will smite his foes before his face *
and strike down those who hate him.
- ²⁴ My faithfulness and my mercy shall be with him, *
and in my Name shall his horn be exalted.
- ²⁵ I will give him dominion over the sea, *
and with his right hand shall he rule the rivers.

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- ²⁶ He shall say to me, "You are my Father, *
my God, and the rock of my salvation."
²⁷ And I will make him my firstborn, *
higher than the kings of the earth.
²⁸ My mercy will I keep for him for ever, *
and my covenant shall stand fast with him.
²⁹ His seed will I make to endure for ever *
and his throne as the days of heaven.

Alleluia

Please stand.

READER: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.*

PEOPLE: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Matthew 3:13–17 (ESV)

READER: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

PEOPLE: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

Alleluia

The Sermon

Baptized into Christ

—Fr. Will Chester, Executive Pastor

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HOLY BAPTISM

Those Being Baptized at 8:30am

Bella Grace Hart
Brooks Christopher Falkanger
Mariel Aimee Chester
Theodore John Messer

Those Being Baptized at 10:30am

Anne Lucy Childs
Conan Riddick Gonzalez
Maeve Reagan Houlihan
Matthew Ethan Lang

The Exhortation

OFFICIANT: *Dearly beloved, Scripture teaches that we were all dead in our sins and trespasses, but by grace we may be saved through faith. Our Savior Jesus Christ said, "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God"; and he commissioned the Church to "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Here we ask our heavenly Father that these Candidates, being baptized with water, may be filled with the Holy Spirit, born again, and received into the Church as living members of Christ's body. Therefore, I urge you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his abundant mercy he will grant to these Candidates that which by nature they cannot have.*

The Presentation

OFFICIANT: *The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.*

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment in 3/4 time, featuring a treble and bass staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with the bass staff providing harmonic support. The lyrics are written below the notes.

There is one Lord one faith, one bap - ti - sm;

there is one God who is Fa - ther of all.

"There Is One Lord," words and music by The Taizé Community, © 1984 Les Presses de Taizé.

Older children and adults are presented for Baptism by their parents, godparents, and/or sponsors.

PRESENTERS: I/We present N.N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

OFFICIANT: *Do you desire to be baptized?*

CANDIDATE: I do.

Infants and young children are presented for Baptism by their parents and godparents.

PARENTS: I/We present N.N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

OFFICIANT: *Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?*

PARENTS: I/We will, with God's help.

OFFICIANT: *Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?*

PARENTS: I/We will, with God's help.

OFFICIANT: *Parents and godparents: today, on behalf of these children, you shall make vows to renounce the devil and all his works, to trust God wholeheartedly, and to serve him faithfully. It is your task to see that these children are taught, as soon as they are able to learn, the meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. They must come to put their faith in Jesus Christ. When they have embraced him, they are to come to the Bishop to be confirmed, that they may publicly claim the Faith for their own and be further strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve Christ and his kingdom.*

Profession of Faith

The Officiant examines the candidates who can speak for themselves, and the Parents and Godparents who will speak on behalf of infants of young children with these six questions.

OFFICIANT: *Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?*

CANDIDATES: I renounce them.

OFFICIANT: *Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?*

CANDIDATES: I renounce them.

OFFICIANT: *Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?*

CANDIDATES: I renounce them.

The Officiant prays over the Candidates while priests anoint each Candidate with the Oil of Exorcism.

OFFICIANT: *Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and evil, and lead you into the light and obedience of the kingdom of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

OFFICIANT: *Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?*

CANDIDATES: I do.

OFFICIANT: *Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?*

CANDIDATES: I do.

OFFICIANT: *Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?*

CANDIDATES: I will, the Lord being my helper.

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The Officiant then addresses the Congregation. Please stand.

OFFICIANT: *Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?*

PEOPLE: **We will.**

OFFICIANT: *Let us join with these Candidates to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.*

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

PEOPLE: **I do. I believe in God the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

OFFICIANT: *Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?*

PEOPLE: **I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

OFFICIANT: *Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?*

PEOPLE: **I do. 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.**

Litany for the Candidates for Holy Baptism

OFFICIANT: *Let us now pray for these Candidates who are to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.*

These prayers are led by Christina Westberg, our Children's Director.

LEADER: *That these children may come to confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.*

PEOPLE: **We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

LEADER: *That all these Candidates may continue in the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers.*

PEOPLE: **We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

LEADER: *That they may walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which they have been called, ever growing in faith and all heavenly virtues.*

PEOPLE: **We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

LEADER: *That they may persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever they fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord.*

PEOPLE: **We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

LEADER: *That they may proclaim by word and deed the Good News of God in Christ Jesus to a lost and broken world.*

PEOPLE: **We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

LEADER: *That as living members of the Body of Christ, they may grow up in every way into him who is the head.*

PEOPLE: **We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

LEADER: *That, looking to Jesus, they may run with endurance the race set before them, and at the last receive the unfading crown of glory.*

PEOPLE: **We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.**

Prayer for the Candidates for Holy Baptism

OFFICIANT: *Let us now pray for these Candidates who are to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.*

Almighty and everlasting Father, in your great mercy you saved Noah and his family in the Ark from the destruction of the flood, prefiguring the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Look mercifully upon these your servants. Wash and sanctify them through your Holy Spirit, that they may be delivered from destruction and received into the Ark of Christ's Church; and being steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love, they may pass through the turbulent floods of this troublesome world and come into the land of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: **Amen.**

Thanksgiving Over the Water

At this time, children may come forward to watch the baptisms.

OFFICIANT: *The Lord be with you.*

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

OFFICIANT: *Lift up your hearts.*

PEOPLE: **We lift them to the Lord.**

OFFICIANT: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

PEOPLE: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

OFFICIANT: *We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John in the River Jordan when the Holy Spirit descended upon him as a dove.*

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We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are born again by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now, Father, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit. May all who are baptized here be cleansed from sin, be born again, and continue for ever faithful in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

ALL: Amen.

The Baptism

Please be seated.

OFFICIANT: *N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

OFFICIANT: *Let us pray.*

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, received them as your own children by adoption, made them members of your holy Church, and raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit, that they may enjoy everlasting salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

OFFICIANT: *Let us welcome the newly baptized.*

ALL: We receive you into the fellowship of the Church. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in the royal priesthood of all his people.

The Peace

CELEBRANT: *The Peace of the Lord be always with you.*

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

Please use this time to share the peace of Christ with those around you.

Parents of nursery through kindergarten, please pick up your children from their classrooms before the announcements.

The Offertory

GIVING SUMMARY:

Year to Date Income

July 1, 2025 through November 30, 2025

Actual	Budget	Difference
\$930,610	\$951,364	(\$20,754)

Current Month Outlook as of Dec 22

December Goal	December Giving	Difference
\$385,246	\$162,107	(\$223,139)

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

*In the second part of the service,
we encounter God at his table.*

The Doxology

Please stand.

ALL: 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.

The Great Thanksgiving

CELEBRANT: *The Lord be with you.*

PEOPLE: And with your spirit.

CELEBRANT: *Lift up your hearts.*

PEOPLE: We lift them up to the Lord.

CELEBRANT: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

PEOPLE: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

CELEBRANT: . . . *Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:*

ALL: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might!
Heaven and earth are full of your glory!
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!

"Holy, Holy, Holy," by Richard Leonard, © 1997 Laudemont Ministries.

CELEBRANT: . . . *Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

ALL: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

CELEBRANT: . . . *By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.*

ALL: Amen.

CELEBRANT: *And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,*

ALL: 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

CELEBRANT: *Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;*

PEOPLE: **Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!**

CELEBRANT: *The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.*

Please be seated. All who are baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and are committed to following Jesus are welcome to receive Communion. Ushers will release you row by row. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Non-alcoholic grape juice is available in the silver trays. Please dispose of used cups in the buckets available on tables in your section.

Songs of Worship

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Please stand.

CELEBRANT: *Let us pray.*

ALL: Heavenly Father,
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.

The Blessing

CELEBRANT: *The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.*

ALL: Amen.

The Dismissal

DEACON: *Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.*

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.



RezNews

What's next at Resurrection

New? Come to First Step

Sundays, Jan 18 & 25, 10:30am

A two-part intro to our church, meets in the upstairs offices.

Join a RezGroup!

Sign Up by Jan 18

Looking for community? Small groups of 8-12 meet regularly for Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. churchrez.org/rezgroups

MORE

Alpha | Thursdays, 6:30–8:30pm, Starts Jan 22 | churchrez.org/whatisalpha

The 10-week course where you can ask questions about life, God... anything!

THRIVE Parent Support Group | Today, 12:15pm | Upstairs, Acts 1

Parents of families impacted by disability are invited.

Night of Worship and Prayer | Friday, Jan 23, 7pm | Sanctuary

Confirmation Class | Sundays, 4–5:30pm, Starting Jan 25 | Sign Up by Jan 18

Explore membership, learn about Anglicanism, get baptized, or renew baptismal vows.

Congregational Meeting – Provincial Court Decision | Sunday, Jan 18, 3–5pm

Read the Court's verdict and submit questions/comments for consideration by tonight at churchrez.org/signup.

Save the Date! Diocesan Women's Retreat | April 24–26 | Green Lake, WI

RezKids Midweek & RezYouth | Wednesdays, 6:30pm, Starting Jan 21

Volunteers needed for RezKids Midweek! Email Coordinator AngelaVahle@churchrez.org

RezArts Festival Deadline & Gallery Exhibit | churchrez.org/rezartsfestival

Deadline: Saturday, Jan 17. "The Art of Work: Our daily labors made holy."

Invite a friend to the Gallery Exhibit on Saturday, Jan 31, 2–5pm.

Intercessory Prayer for the Church & the World | All Saints Prayer Chapel

Mondays at 7:30am, and first Saturdays, 8pm

NOTES

Rector Search Updates | churchrez.org/rectorsearch

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