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Renewal of Baptism

Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
trusting his promise, heirs of salvation,
faithfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ our King:
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,
thankfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our King:
born of one Father, we are his children,
joyfully now God's praises we sing.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Communion Music

Agnus Dei (Björn Thorarensen; *Schola Cantorum Reykjavicensis*)

Going out as the people of God

Always loving God, we thank you for
all your gifts – the gifts of life and
love, faith and community; we thank
you for baptism, for the inspiration of
your Word and the nourishment of the

Eucharist. May these gifts keep us ever
faithful and creative as we walk the
path of life together and make the
pilgrimage of faith. Amen.

Closing Hymn

Longing for food,
many are hungry.
Longing for water,
many still thirst.
Make us your bread,
broken for others,
shared until all are fed.

Longing for shelter,
many are homeless.
Longing for warmth,
many are cold.
Make us your building,
sheltering others,
walls made of living stone.

Christ be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church,
gathered today.

Many the gifts,
many the people,
many the hearts
that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants
to one another,
making your kingdom come.

The Baptism of the Lord



Welcome and stilling exercise

Longing for light,
we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth,
we turn to you.
Make us your own,
your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Christ be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church,
gathered today.

Longing for peace,
our world is troubled.
Longing for hope,
many despair.
Your word alone
has power to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Gloria

Glory be to God in heaven:
Let all people hear the call.
Peace to those who honour God
Who bear good will and love to all.
Gracious ruler, loving creator,
We adore and give you praise.
Hear our song of glad thanksgiving
For your grace, your loving ways.

Praise to you, O Jesus Christ,
The Son, the Lamb,
who once was slain.
Now you are alive forever,
Help us all God's life to gain.
You alone are blessed and holy:
Jesus Christ, beloved Son.
Sharing glory with the Spirit
And with the Eternal One.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from the prophet Isaiah (40:1-5, 9-11)

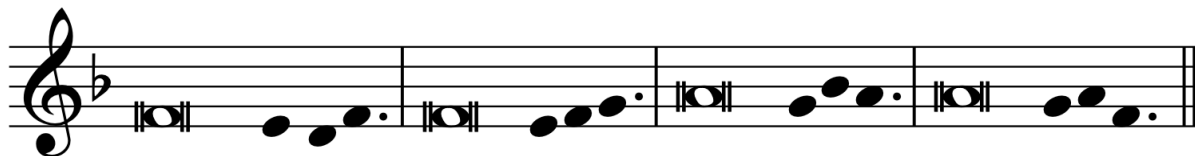
Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,
that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins.
A voice cries out:
"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.
Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all flesh shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good news;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good news;
lift it up, do not fear;
say to the cities of Judah,
“Here is your God!”

See, the Lord GOD comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him
and his recompense before him.
He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms
and carry them in his bosom
and gently lead the mother sheep.

Psalm 104



LORD God, how great you are,
clothed in majesty and glory,
wrapped in light as in a robe!
You stretch out the heavens like a tent.

Above the rains you build your dwelling.
You make the clouds your chariot,
you walk on the wings of the wind,
you make the winds your messengers
and flashing fire your servant.

How many are your works, O LORD!
In wisdom you have made them all.
The earth is full of your riches.
There is the sea, vast and wide,

with its moving swarms past counting,
living things great and small.

All of these look to you
to give them their food in due season.
You give it, they gather it up:
you open your hand, they have their fill.

You hide your face, they are dismayed;
you take back your spirit, they die.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth.

A reading from the Letter to Titus (2:11-14; 3:4-7)

For the grace of God has appeared,
bringing salvation to all, training us
to renounce impiety and worldly
passions and in the present age to live
lives that are self-controlled, upright,
and godly, while we wait for the
blessed hope and the manifestation of
the glory of our great God and Saviour,
Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself
for us that he might redeem us from
all iniquity and purify for himself a
people of his own who are zealous for
good deeds.

But when the goodness and loving
kindness of God our Saviour appeared,
he saved us, not because of any works
of righteousness that we had done, but
according to his mercy, through the
water of rebirth and renewal by the
Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out
on us richly through Jesus Christ our
Saviour, so that, having been justified
by his grace, we might become heirs
according to the hope of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

As many of you as were baptised into Christ
have clothed yourselves with Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (3:15-16, 21-22)

As the people were filled with
expectation and all were
questioning in their hearts concerning
John, whether he might be the
Messiah, John answered all of them by
saying, "I baptise you with water, but
one who is more powerful than I is
coming; I am not worthy to untie the
strap of his sandals. He will baptise
you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Now when all the people were
baptised and when Jesus also had been
baptised and was praying, the heaven
was opened, and the Holy Spirit
descended upon him in bodily form
like a dove. And a voice came from
heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved;
with you I am well pleased."