Baptism of Christ Sunday

Heavenly Father,
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus
as your Son:
may we recognize him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be
your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen.

I will worship (You're worthy)

I will worship
With all of my heart
I will praise You
With all of my strength

I will seek You All of my days I will follow All of Your ways

I will give You all my worship I will give You all my praise You alone I long to worship You alone are worthy of my praise

> I will bow down Hail You as King I will serve You Give You everything

I will lift up
My eyes to Your throne
I will trust You
Trust You alone

I will give You all my worship
I will give You all my praise
You alone I long to worship
You alone are worthy of my praise

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Saying Sorry

A candle may be lit and silence may be kept.

Come, Holy Spirit of God,

and search our hearts with the light of Christ.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:
The first commandment is this:
'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind,
and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'
There is no other commandment greater than these.
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

After a period of reflection:

Come, let us return to the Lord and say:

Lord our God,
in our sin we have avoided your call.

Our love for you is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.

Have mercy on us;
deliver us from judgement;
bind up our wounds and revive us;
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

cf Hosea 6

Amen.

Receiving Forgiveness

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring us his pardon and peace, now and for ever.

Amen.

Light of the world

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
O so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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Sharing Journeys:

Acts 10.34-43 (NIV)

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism ³⁵ but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. ³⁶ You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. ³⁷ You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because

God was with him.

- ³⁹ "We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, ⁴⁰ but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen.
- ⁴¹ He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Matthew 3.13-17 (NIV)

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. ¹⁴ But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"
¹⁵ Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented.

¹⁶ As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

Talk by Adrian

The Profession of Faith:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe 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 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. The Profession of Faith: 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.

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught
my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

My chains are gone
I've been set free
My God, my Saviour,
has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

My chains are gone
I've been set free
My God, my Saviour,
has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, Who called me here below,
Will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.

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Over the mountains

Over the mountains and the sea

Your river runs with love for me, And I will open up my heart, And let the Healer set me free.

I'm happy to be in the truth, And I will daily lift my hands, For I will always sing of When Your love came down

I could sing of Your love forever, I could sing of Your love forever. I could sing of Your love forever, I could sing of Your love forever.

Over the mountains and the sea Your river runs with love for me, And I will open up my heart, And let the Healer set me free. I'm happy to be in the truth, And I will daily lift my hands, For I will always sing of When Your love came down

I could sing of Your love forever, I could sing of Your love forever. I could sing of Your love forever, I could sing of Your love forever.

Oh, I feel like dancing, It's foolishness I know; But when the world has seen the light, They will dance with joy Like we're dancing now.

I could sing of Your love forever, I could sing of Your love forever. I could sing of Your love forever, I could sing of Your love forever.

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Our Prayers led by Derrick

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name.
Your Kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and glory are yours now and forever.
Amen.

I will offer up my life

I will offer up my life
In spirit and truth,
Pouring out the oil of love
As my worship to You.
In surrender I must give my every part;
Lord, receive the sacrifice
Of a broken heart.

Jesus, what can I give, what can I bring To so faithful a friend, to so loving a King?

Saviour, what can be said,
what can be sung
As a praise of Your name
For the things You have done?
Oh, my words could not tell,
not even in part,
Of the debt of love that is owed
By this thankful heart.

You deserve my every breath
For You've paid the great cost;
Giving up Your life to death,
Even death on a cross.
You took all my shame away,
There defeated my sin,
Opened up the gates of heaven,
And have beckoned me in.

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What can I give? What can I bring?
What can I sing as an offering
O my Lord

I will offer up my life
In spirit and truth,
Pouring out the oil of love
As my worship to You.
In surrender I must give my every part;
Lord, receive the sacrifice
Of a broken heart.

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Closing Blessing

Now may the peace of God,
which passes 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,
now and always.

Amen.