



COUNTRYSIDE TRINITY CHURCH

January 11, 2026
Baptism of the Lord

Pre-Service Music

Noah Davis

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Nathaniel Asperger

Mission Point

Green Committee

Prelude

Noah Davis

Choir Introit

CTC Choir

Call to Worship

Tammy Charkowski, Liturgist

Leader: In the waters of baptism,
All: God marks us as kindred in his name.

Leader: In the waters of baptism,
**All: the heavens open up
and the Spirit pours out love.**

Leader: In the waters of baptism,
All: God names us Beloved.

Leader: In the waters of baptism,
All: God claims us as her own.

Opening Prayer

Liturgist

Holy One, in the waters of the Jordan
you claimed Jesus as your beloved Son.
Send your Holy Spirit to anoint us,
that we may be filled with your grace
and live as your beloved children;
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*** Opening Hymn** "Sing, Glory to the Name of God" 10 GTG

Congregation

Call to Confession

Liturgist

God has made a covenant with us
and with our ancestors:
to be a light to the nations,
to bring freedom to captives,
and to declare new and glorious things!
In faith, let us confess our sin.



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* Prayer of Confession

Congregation

Gracious God,
you claim us and call us,
you support us and uphold us,
you save us and free us from our sin.
Yet we slip into old habits,
worshiping idols that have claimed our hearts,
disregarding our impact on the earth and our neighbors.
Forgive us. Meet us at the water again,
that we might know we belong to you.

* Time of Silence for Personal Prayers of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

Liturgist

The good news has been passed down
by prophets and priests:
everyone who believes in Christ
receives forgiveness in his name.

All: We believe; help our unbelief.

Wherever you are on your journey,
you are redeemed, forgiven, and loved.

*Responding to Grace

"Gloria to God" #583 GTG

Congregation

Time With Young Disciples

Rev. Nathaniel Asperger

Prayer for Illumination

Liturgist

Saving God, source of our calling,
your Word is full of power and glory.
Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us
so that we may receive your grace
and live as your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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1st Scripture Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

Tammy Charnowski

"Here is my servant. I take good care of him.

I have chosen him. I am very pleased with him.

I will put my Spirit on him.

He will bring justice to the nations.

He will not shout or cry out.

He will not raise his voice in the streets.

He will not break a bent twig.

He will not put out a dimly burning flame.

He will be faithful and make everything right.

He will not grow weak or lose hope.

He will not give up until he brings justice to the earth.

The islands will put their hope in his teaching."

God created the heavens and stretches them out.

The Lord spreads out the earth with everything that grows on it.

He gives breath to its people.

He gives life to those who walk on it.

He says to his servant,

"I, the Lord, have chosen you to do what is right.

I will take hold of your hand.

I will keep you safe.

You will put into effect my covenant with the people of Israel.

And you will be a light for the Gentiles.

You will open eyes that can't see.

You will set prisoners free.

Those who sit in darkness will come out of their cells.

"I am the Lord. That is my name!

I will not let any other god share my glory.

I will not let statues of gods share my praise.

What I said would happen has taken place.

Now I announce new things to you.

Before they even begin to happen,

I announce them to you."



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2nd Scripture Reading

Psalm 29

Tammy Charnowski

Praise the Lord, you angels in heaven.

Praise the Lord for his glory and strength.

Praise the Lord for the glory that belongs to him.

Worship the Lord because of his beauty and holiness.

The voice of the Lord is heard over the waters.

The God of glory thunders.

The Lord thunders over the mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful.

The voice of the Lord is majestic.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees.

The Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon into pieces.

He makes the mountains of Lebanon leap like a calf.

He makes Mount Hermon jump like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord strikes

with flashes of lightning.

The voice of the Lord shakes the desert.

The Lord shakes the Desert of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord twists the oak trees.

It strips the forests bare.

And in his temple everyone cries out, "Glory!"

The Lord on his throne rules over the flood.

The Lord rules from his throne as King forever.

The Lord gives strength to his people.

The Lord blesses his people with peace.

This is The Word of the Lord. **Thanks Be To God.**

Choir Anthem

CTC Choir

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan River. He wanted to be baptized by John. But John tried to stop him. So, he told Jesus, "I need to be baptized by you. So why do you come to me?"

Jesus replied, "Let it be this way for now. It is right for us to do this. It carries out God's holy plan." Then John agreed.



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As soon as Jesus was baptized, he came up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened. Jesus saw the Spirit of God coming down on him like a dove. A voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, and I love him. I am very pleased with him." This is The Word of the Lord. **Thanks Be To God.**

Sermon

"The Voice Over the Waters"

Rev. Nathaniel Asperger

Music Meditation

Noah Davis

* Sermon Hymn

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon my Heart" 688 GTG

Congregation

Joys and Concerns

Call to Offering

Rev. Nathaniel Asperger

* Doxology

Congregation

* Closing Hymn

"To God Be the Glory" 634 GTG

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* Charge, Benediction

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Postlude

"Refrain – Go Tell It On The Mountain"

Noah Davis



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THE TRIUNE GOD

10 Sing Glory to the Name of God (Psalm 29)

Unison

1 Sing glo - ry to the name of God, whose ho - ly splen - dor shines a -
2 The name of God is full of might: re - sound - ing thun - der, flash - ing
3 The name of God is wild and free, a - whirl in ho - ly mys - ter -
4 May God for - ev - er be our peace; may hymns of glo - ry nev - er

Harmony *Unison*

broad.
light.
y.
cease:

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

En - throned a - bove the
The wil - der - ness can -
A se - cret wrapped in
Let all the faith - ful

crash - ing waves, the God of grace and glo - ry saves.
not con - tain the ech - oes of the great re - frain:
smoke and fire, still chant - ed by the tem - ple choir:
peo - ple come; sing praise to God, the Three - in - One:

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This sweeping paraphrase of Psalm 29 conveys a sense of the Jewish reverence for the sheer power of God's name, regarded as too holy for mortal tongues to pronounce. In keeping with its appointment for Trinity Sunday, the final stanza gives the psalm a Christian interpretation.

TEXT: David Gambrell, 2009
MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesäng, 1623, alt.; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906
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LASST UNS ERFREUEN
LM with alleluias
(this tune in a higher key, 327)



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SERVICE MUSIC

Glory to God

583

Gloria, gloria

Capo 3: (Bm)

(Em)

(A)

(D)

Dm

Gm

C

F

(chords continue)



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

**May be sung as a canon.*

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979

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GLORIA (Taizé)

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DEDICATION AND STEWARDSHIP

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart 688

1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
 3 Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King;
 4 Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh.
 5 Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love,

wean it from earth; through all its puls - es move;
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
 all, all thine own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
 Teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear,
 one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;

stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as thou art,
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no o - pening skies;
 I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling.
 to check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el sigh.
 the bap - tism of the heaven - de - scend - ed Dove,

and make me love thee as I ought to love.
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 O let me seek thee, and O let me find!
 Teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
 my heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame.

This reflection on Galatians 5:25 was written by a literary Anglican clergyman whose preaching drew people of many social classes to one of the formerly poorer London churches. The tune was created for "Abide with Me" (no. 836) but more often appears with the present text.

TEXT: George Croly, 1867
 MUSIC: Frederick Cook Atkinson, 1870

MORECAMBE
 10.10.10.10

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ADORATION

634 To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!
2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

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This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.

TEXT: Fanny Jane Crosby, 1875
MUSIC: William Howard Doane, 1875

TO GOD BE THE GLORY
11.11.11.11 with refrain



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ADORATION

Refrain



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people re - joice!



O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son,



and give him the glo - ry: great things he has done!

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JESUS CHRIST: BIRTH

136 Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain

Go, tell it on the moun-tain, o-ver the hills and ev - ery - where;

go, tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born!

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