

January 10, 2021

Baptism of the Lord

Children Celebrate!

Liturgy of the Word with Children

Today's Readings

Isaiah 42:1–2, 4, 6–7
Psalm 29:3abde–4, 3cde & 9ef–10
Acts 10:34–38
Luke 3:15–16, 21–22



We Pray

O God, help us trust your Son, Jesus, always.
Amen.



The Word of God This Week

Jesus Is Coming

People wondered if John the Baptist was the messiah. John said, “I just baptize with water. Someone more powerful is coming. I am not good enough even to untie his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.”

After Jesus was baptized, the sky opened. The Holy Spirit came down in the form of a dove. A voice from heaven said, “You are my own dear Son, and I am pleased with you.”



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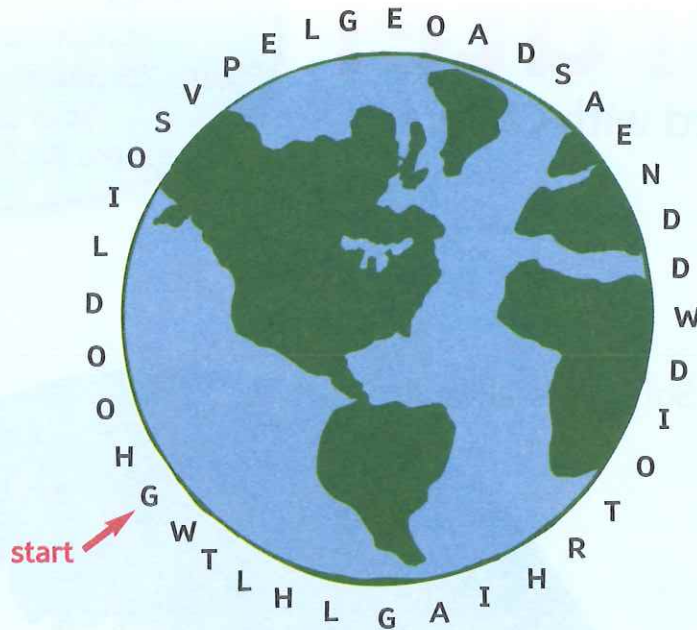
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Activity

After Jesus was baptized, he brought good news to many people. What was the good news? To find out, start on the arrow and copy every other letter onto the lines below. Cross out each letter after you copy it. Keep going clockwise around the world until you have used every letter.



Family Corner

Faith Focus

As people waited for the messiah, there was a bit of doubt. They wondered if John was the Messiah, but John said someone far greater would baptize with fire and the Holy Spirit. That someone was revealed to be Jesus. Today, there is no doubt among us! During Advent we waited for him, during Christmas we celebrated his birth, and today we celebrate his baptism. Jesus is our Messiah.

Family Activity

Celebrate the Baptisms of all in your family. Look at pictures and tell stories. In Baptism we become servants who share Jesus' mission of service. This week, take turns being "servant of the day," not as someone for other family members to boss around, but as someone who freely gives kind words and helpful actions to the rest of the family. Discuss: In what ways can our family be of service to others?