

Welcome!

We believe God brought you all here today! May you be blessed, strengthened and uplifted by your time of worship.

GUESTS! – A special welcome to you! We are glad you are here! Please fill out the yellow “Welcome Guest” card so we can thank you for joining us. Please turn in the offering plate. For questions, event RSVP, or other information, please stop by the Guest Service located in the entry way.

Hearing Needs – A Hearing Loop is installed on the organ side of the worship space to assist those with hearing difficulties. Please set hearing aid to Telecoil.

Restrooms – Restrooms are located through the entry way, to the left as you exit the worship area.

Nursery/Cry Room - We love worshipping with children. If you need a place to go with small children, there is a nursery/cry room on the right of the entryway as you leave the church. The room is equipped with a viewing window and speakers so you can continue to participate in the worship service.

2nd Sunday Fellowship Lunch & “Next Step”: The 2nd Sunday of the month we invite you to join us for food, fun and fellowship at 12:15, following the 11:00 worship. A short info session about C&C is available for guests and those exploring C&C. Ask Pastor Mike if interested.

Communion: Every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month we celebrate the Lord’s Supper in the 9:00 Traditional Worship service. If you are interested in joining us, please speak to Pastor prior to communing.

EPIPHANY 1 – January 10, 2021

SERVICE THEME

“Secure in Your Identity!”

SERVING US IN WORSHIP TODAY...

WORSHIP LEADER: MICHAEL GEIGER

ORGANIST: DAVID WIDIGER

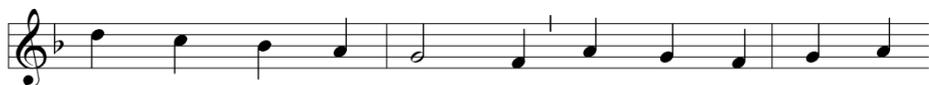
Baptized into Your Name Most Holy



1 Bap - tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me To
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; Your
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— Re -



Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a
 be hence - forth your child and heir. My faith - ful
 prom - ise sure - ly will en - dure. Oh, cast me
 ceive it all, O Lord, from me. Let me con -



place, though weak and low - ly, A - mong your saints, your
 Sav - ior, there you let me The fruit of all your
 not a - way for - ev - er If words and deeds be -
 fess my faith sin - cere - ly And help me your own



cho - sen host, Bur - ied with Christ and dead to
 sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it, com - fort
 come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I come de -
 child to be! Let noth - ing that I am or



sin. Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.
 me When threat - 'ning clouds a - round I see.
 filed; For - give, lift up, re - store your child.
 own Serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

Text: Johann J. Rambach, 1693–1735, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: O DASS ICH TAUSEND ZÜNGEN HÄTTE (KÖNIG) (98 98 88) Johann B. König, 1691–1758.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS & FORGIVENESS

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are



they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -



ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -

ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
 ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
 Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON: *Isaiah 49:1-6* (NIV84)

1 Listen to me, you islands; hear this, you distant nations: Before I was born the Lord called me; from my birth he has made mention of my name. 2 He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver. 3 He said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will display my splendor." 4 But I said, "I have labored to no purpose; I have spent my strength in vain and for nothing. Yet what is due me is in the Lord's hand, and my reward is with my God." 5 And now the Lord says- he who formed me in the womb to be his servant to bring Jacob back to him and gather Israel to himself, for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord and my God has been my strength 6 he says: "It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring my salvation to the ends of the earth."

♪ SONG (Music Video)

"In Christ Alone"

1 In Christ alone my hope is found.
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my all in all, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2 In Christ alone—who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones he came to save.
Till on that cross, as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on him was laid.
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3 There in the ground his body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am his and he is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from his hand;
Till he returns or calls me home,
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

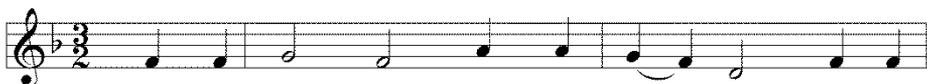
SECOND LESSON: *Acts 16:25-34* (NIV84)

25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everybody's chains came loose. 27 The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. 28 But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!" 29 The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" 31 They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved--you and your household."

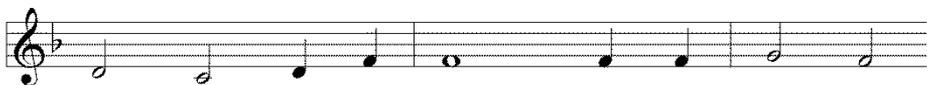
32 Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. 33 At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his family were baptized. 34 The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God--he and his whole family.

♪ SERMON HYMN

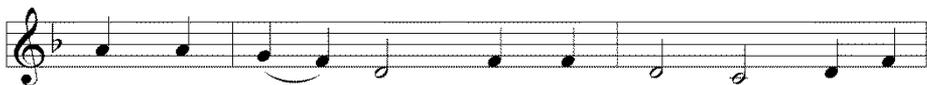
709 Christ, Your Footprints Through the Desert



1 Christ, your foot - prints through the des - ert Led to
 2 Christ, you heard the stir - ring sum - mons As by
 3 Son of God, the road from Jor - dan Led at
 4 God, in Bap - tism you have made us One with



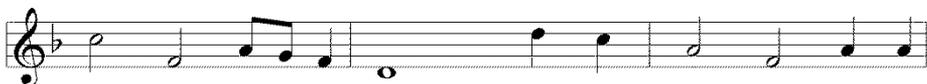
Jor - dan's flow - ing stream, There you heard the
 Jor - dan's bank you stood; Bathed, though sin - less,
 last to Cal - v'ry's hill. There up - on the
 Christ, our ris - en Lord; Freed us, claimed us,



her - ald cry - ing Is - rael's old pro - phet - ic
 with your peo - ple In the riv - er's cleans - ing
 cross for - sak - en, You ful - filled the Fa - ther's
 cleansed, for - giv - en Through the wa - ter and the



dream: "He is com - ing! He is com - ing! He will
 flood. High a - bove, the heav - ens o - pened; Came the
 will. Lamb of God, we see you dy - ing, Sin - less,
 Word. Help us hear your ur - gent sum - mons, Call - ing



cleans the earth with flame! Sin - ners, plunge be - neath the
 Spir - it as a dove; Spoke a voice be - yond all
 yet for sin - ners slain. But where death rose up to
 us to serve you now. Send us forth, your sons and



wa - ters! Wash a - way your guilt and shame!"
 hear - ing: "See my Son, the one I love!"
 tri - umph, You be - gan your glo - rious reign!
 daugh - ters, With the cross up - on our brow.

This hymn not only underscores the significance of our Lord's baptism in his work of salvation but also demonstrates the intimate connection between his baptism and our own.

SERMON

MESSAGE: *"Secure in Your Identity!"*

TEXT: *Mark 1:4-11 (NIV84)*

4 And so John came, baptizing in the desert region and preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. 5 The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. 6 John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. 7 And this was his message: "After me will come one more powerful than I, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. 8 I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." 9 At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. 11 And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

STATEMENT OF FAITH – APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker 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 into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

THANK-OFFERING

Offerings are part of our worship life and heartfelt expression of gratitude to the Lord who has given all we have. Three ways to give...

- *Share a gift in the offering plate at the back of the Church*
- *Text \$(amount) to 512-582-2389*
- *Click "GIVE" on our website: www.crossandcrowntx.com*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH – MISSION OF THE CHURCH

M: Eternal God and Father, we give you thanks for the blessings we share as members of your holy Church, for your gracious Word and sacraments, for opportunities to worship and to grow in faith and knowledge, for occasions to serve and be served, for fellowship with believers in our congregation and in our synod.

C: Help us to rejoice in these blessings, dear Lord, and to use them faithfully.

M: Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church, you give grace to your people by calling us to be your witnesses in the world. Open our eyes to see the great and noble mission that lies before us. In the hurting eyes of the lonely, in the pained eyes of the sick, and in the searching eyes of the lost, help us to see your face, O Jesus, and to serve others as we would serve you.

C: Awaken us to the opportunities you give to proclaim your message of love.

M: Holy Spirit, giver of life, through Word and sacrament bestow on us the wisdom and power we need to witness clearly and to act boldly. Help us to speak the truth in love, to give the reason for the hope we have, and to conduct ourselves with gentleness and respect.

C: Set our hearts on fire as we work and witness for Christ.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we pray for a family member, an acquaintance, a neighbor, or a friend who does not believe in you, or whose faith is weak or troubled.

Silent prayer.

M: Bless the Church with men and women who are willing to proclaim your Word in places where we cannot go. Keep them and their loved ones in your care, and let nothing hinder their work. By the power of the gospel, restore their spirits each day, so that they do not lose heart as they serve us and others.

C: Move us to support them with our sincere prayers and generous offerings.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Wherever your Word is proclaimed, O Lord, grant it success. Let your kingdom come to us and others, so that we and many more might join the assembly of saints and angels to sing your praise forever.

C: Savior of all, hear our prayer and help us in our mission. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER:

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

forever and ever. Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER and BLESSING

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

♪ CLOSING HYMN

566

We All Are One in Mission



1 We all are one in mis - sion; We all are one in
 2 We all are called to ser - vice, To wit - ness in God's
 3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, And let our song be



call, Our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed By Christ, the
 name. Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; Our pur - pose
 heard; Now let us be a ves - sel For God's re -



Lord of all. A sin - gle great com - mis - sion
 is the same: To touch the lives of oth - ers
 deem - ing Word. We all are one in mis - sion;



Com - pels us from a - bove To plan and work
 With God's sur - pris - ing grace, So ev - 'ry folk
 We all are one in call, Our var - ied gifts



to - geth - er That all may know Christ's love.
 and na - tion May feel God's warm em - brace.
 u - nit - ed By Christ, the Lord of all.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955, alt. © 1986 Hope Publishing Co., Carol Stream, IL 60188. All rights reserved.
 Used by permission.

Tune: WEBB (76 76 D) George J. Webb, 1803-87.

KEEP GROWING IN FAITH...

WORSHIP every Sunday

- 9:00 AM Traditional
- 11:00 AM Contemporary

GROW GROUPS each week

- 10:15 AM Sundays (at Church)
- 7:00 PM Mondays (Stearns' in Jarrell)
- 12:30 PM Wednesdays (Ladies)
- 7:00 PM Wednesday (at Church)
- *See Announcements for more!*

STAY CONNECTED...

Cross and Crown App - *STAY CONNECTED, FIND INFORMATION OR LISTEN TO PAST SERMONS WITH OUR CHURCH APP. SEARCH "CHURCH APP TITHE.LY" IN YOUR APP STORE. ENTER THE ZIP CODE '78628'. SELECT 'CROSS AND CROWN'. THE CALENDAR, BLOG UPDATES, SERMONS AND OTHER LINKS ARE ACCESSIBLE. INFORMATION CAN ALSO BE FOUND AT: WWW.CROSSANDCROWNTX.COM.*



3800 SHELL ROAD, GEORGETOWN, TEXAS 78628

WWW.CROSSANDCROWNTX.COM

CHURCH: 512.869.7729

PASTOR (CELL): 612.381.4334

EMAIL: PASTOR@CROSSANDCROWNTX.COM

CROSS & CROWN IS A MEMBER OF THE

WISCONSIN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD (WELS.NET)