**WORSHIP**

**WHERE HEAVEN MEETS EARTH**

**Session Five, The Baptism of Our Lord, 13 January 2019**

**Opening:** Invocation and Collect for Grace (LSB, 242)

**What we’ve missed since last we met:** *Gathered*, 63-65

 Christmas (12-25) – with “propers” for (*Gathered*, 562) . . .

 Eve, Midnight, Dawn, Day

 First Sunday After

 Second Sunday After

 St. Stephen, Deacon and Martyr (12-26) – LSB 517, 7

 St. John, Apostle and Evangelist (12-27) – LSB 517, 8

 Holy Innocents, Martyrs (12-28) – LSB 517, 9

 Circumcision and Name of Jesus (1-1)

 The Epiphany of Our Lord (1-6) – LSB 397, 1-3

**The Baptism of Our Lord and our baptism:** *Gathered*, 243-245; 320-3287

 Small Catechism, The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (LSB, 325)

 First – definition

 Second – purpose

 Third - effectiveness

 Fourth – significance (Confession and Absolution)

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Brief overview of the LSB Baptismal Liturgy (LSB, 268-271)

 Introduction – why we baptize

 Naming (see January 1), Blessing, and Prayer (note Old Testament imagery)

 Sponsors (the corporate context of baptism)

 Holy Gospel (note NKJV)

 Our Father and Blessing

 Denunciation and Affirmation (Creed)

 The Baptism (the only essential element)

 Options (“may”): garment, candle, welcome

 Prayer and Dismissal

**Hymns for this day:**

 Luther’s hymns as biblical/doctrinal instruction.

 Note how our Lord’s baptism leads to our baptism.

 Baptism of Our Lord, LSB 406, 1 and 5, “To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord”

 Our Baptism: “objective” and “subjective” hymns

 LSB 590, 1, “Baptized into Your Name Most Holy” (objective)

 LSB 411, 1, “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” (subjective)

**Closing Prayer:** Collect for the Baptism of Our Lord

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River you proclaimed him you beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in his name faithful in their calling as your children and inheritors with him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***LOOKING AHEAD***

*1-20 . . . the Season of Epiphany*

*1-27 . . . One Service, Five Settings*