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Baptism of Our Lord

January 11, 2026

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****The Congregation will stand in reverence***

Psalm, continued

⁵The voice of the LORD
breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
the LORD
breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
⁶the LORD makes Lebanon
skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon
like a young wild ox.
⁷The voice of the LORD
bursts forth in lightning flashes.
⁸The voice of the LORD
shakes the wilderness;

the LORD
shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
⁹The voice of the LORD makes the oak
trees writhe and strips the forests bare.
And in the temple of the LORD
all are crying, "Glory!"
¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned
above the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned
as king forevermore.
¹¹O LORD, give strength to your people;
give them, O LORD,
the blessings of peace.

Second Reading

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁹but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. ⁴⁰You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ⁴¹That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ⁴²how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Gospel

Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus had

been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

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