

Jesus' Baptism Word Search

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be left to right, up and down, or diagonally.

L	R	S	J	T	N	U	L	L	A	F	A	C	I	D
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L	A	O	R	E	M	O	W	A	T	E	R	T	E	R
B	E	L	O	V	E	D	D	R	E	E	A	T	V	E

BAPTIZED	BELOVED	DOVE
GALILEE	HEAVENS	JOHN
RIGHTOUSNESS	SON	WATER

Have a go or pass this on to a young person you know!

GATHERING HYMN: 'On Jordan's Bank' (513)

COLLECT

Heavenly Father,
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:
may we recognize him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen



FIRST READING

Isaiah 43: 1-7

Descendants of Jacob,
I, the Lord, created you and formed your nation.
Israel, don't be afraid. I have rescued you.
I have called you by name; now you belong to me.
When you cross deep rivers, I will be with you,
and you won't drown.
When you walk through fire, you won't be burned
or scorched by the flames.

I am the Lord, your God,
the Holy One of Israel, the God who saves you.
I gave up Egypt, Ethiopia, and the region of Seba
in exchange for you.
To me, you are very dear, and I love you.
That's why I gave up nations and people to rescue you.

Don't be afraid! I am with you.
From both east and west I will bring you together.
I will say to the north and to the south,
"Free my sons and daughters!
Let them return from distant lands.
They are my people—
I created each of them to bring honour to me."

For the word of the Lord

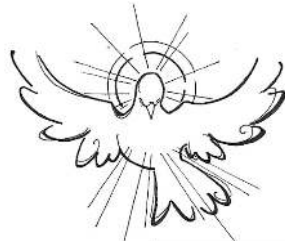
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Acts 8: 14-17

The apostles in Jerusalem heard that some people in Samaria had accepted God's message, and they sent Peter and John. When the two apostles arrived, they prayed that these people would be given the Holy Spirit.

Before this, the Holy Spirit had not been given to any of them, though some of them had been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Peter and John then placed their hands on everyone who had faith in the Lord, and they were given the Holy Spirit.



For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL HYMN— 'Rejoice the Lord is King' (565)

We sing verse 4 after the Gospel Reading

GOSPEL

Luke 3: 15-17 & 21-22

Everyone became excited and wondered, "Could John be the Messiah?" John said, "I am just baptizing with water. But someone more powerful is going to come, and I am not good enough even to untie his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. His threshing fork is in his hand, and he is ready to separate the wheat from the husks. He will store the wheat in his barn and burn the husks with a fire that never goes out."

While everyone else was being baptized, Jesus himself was baptized. Then as he prayed, the sky opened up, and the Holy Spirit came down upon him in the form of a dove. A voice from heaven said, "You are my own dear Son, and I am pleased with you."



This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE GIFTS: 'Hail to the Lord's Anointed' (244)

COMMUNION HYMNS:

'Do not be afraid for I have redeemed you' (132)

'O let the Son of God enfold you' (495)

'Spirit of the Living God' (595)

POST COMMUNION

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FINAL HYMN: 'Praise my Soul the King of Heaven' (550)



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