

**Christmas 1B Psalm 98:1–4; antiphon: Isaiah 52:10**

**P** The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

**C** Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

**P** The Lord has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

**C** He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

**P** Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**P** The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

**CATECHISM**

## The Conclusion

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*What does this mean?*

This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means “yes, yes, it shall be so.”

**LEARN BY HEART***Ecclesiastes 7:1*

A good name is better than precious ointment, and the day of death than the day of birth.

**COLLECT**

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Gen 1:1-5; Rom 6:1-11; Mk 1:4-11

**INVOCATION**

**INTROIT** (front page)

**MEDITATION:** *Portals of Prayer* and Catechism

**LEARN BY HEART:** Bible Verse (front page)

**DAILY READINGS:**

SU:	12/31	Isaiah 60:1–22	Luke 1:39–56
M:	1/1	Isaiah 61:1–11	Luke 1:57–80
T:	1/2	Isaiah 62:1–12	Luke 2:1–20
W:	1/3	Isaiah 63:1–14	Luke 2:21–40
TH:	1/4	Isaiah 63:15—65:2	Luke 2:41–52
F:	1/5	Isaiah 65:8–25	Luke 3:1–20
SA:	1/6	Isaiah 66:1–20	Luke 3:21–38

**HYMN OF THE MONTH:** LSB #344 On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry

**APOSTLES’ CREED****IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

- For our homebound members; for those serving in the military
- **Birthdays this upcoming week:** Jane
- **Baptism Birthdays this upcoming week:** Pati, Scott, Chuck, Linda, Sandra, Kara, Heather

**COLLECT** (front page); **LORD’S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

**P** Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

**C** Amen