

ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Baptism of the Lord

Sun, January 12, 2025, 10:30am Eucharist

The crèche (nursery) is downstairs and is attended by Renata (RECE). All babies and young children are welcome!

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

Hymn: #385 Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness

PLEASE STAND

- 1 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
 Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
 Gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
 Bring, and adore him: the Lord is his name!
- 2 Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness;
 High on his heart he will bear it for thee,
 Comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
 Guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.
- 3 Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
 Of the poor wealth thou canst reckon as thine;
 Truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness,
 These are the offerings to lay on his shrine.
- 4 These though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
 He will accept for the name that is dear,
 Mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
 Trust for our trembling, and hope for our fear.
- 5 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
 Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
 Gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
 Bring, and adore him: the Lord is his name!

The Apostolic Greeting & Collect for Purity

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Almighty God,

People: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Song of Praise: Song of Creation (Benedicite Omnia Opera)



1. All you works of the Lord glo-ri - fy the Lord,
2. All you ang - els of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
3. Let the earth bless the Lord, glo-ri - fy the Lord,
4. Let the peo - ple of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
5. God - the Fa - ther, we sing: glo-ri - fy the Lord,



In the fir - ma - ment, glo-ri - fy the Lord
 Sun and moon and stars glo-ri - fy the Lord,
 All you beasts of the wild glo-ri - fy the Lord,
 All you ser - vants of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
 God the Son, we - ex - alt: glo-ri - fy the Lord,



Praise and mag - ni - fy, glo-ry fy the
 Night and day bless the Lord, glo-ri - fy the
 All you birds of the air glo-ri - fy the
 All you hum - ble of heart glo-ri - fy the
 God the Spi - rit, we praise: glo-ri - fy the



Lord, glo-ri - fy the Lord.
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The Prayer of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

PLEASE BE SEATED

First Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

Read by Wendy Dimmock

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth - everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalm 29:1-5, 7

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED & JOIN IN SINGING

There is one Lord, one faith, one bap - ti - sm;
There is one God who is Fath - er of all.

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Choir: Ascribe to the Lord, all you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength,
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

People: **There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism; there is one God who is Father of all.**

Choir: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters, the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.

People: **There is one Lord . . .**

Choir: The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness.

People: **There is one Lord . . .**

Second Reading: Acts 8:14-17

Read by Janet Kincaid

A Reading from the Book of Acts.

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Gospel Acclamation

PLEASE STAND

1. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
2. Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!
3. Praise be to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!
Praise be to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!



The Holy Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: *(sing verse 2)* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: *(sing verse 3)* **Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Sermon: Fr. Andrew

(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)

The Baptismal Covenant

PLEASE STAND

Presider: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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

Presider: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?
People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?
People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?
People: I will, with God's help.

The Prayers of the People

Please respond to the petition "We pray to God," with the response, "let the light of Christ shine on us all."

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

(We encourage you to share a sign of peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Offertory Hymn: CP #527 How Firm a Foundation

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

- 1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
To you who to Jesus for refuge have fled?
- 2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed!
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
- 3 When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

- 4 When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply:
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.
- 5 The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not--I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake,
I'll never--no, never--no, never forsake!"

Prayer Over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer

PLEASE STAND

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Presiding Celebrant acclaims the life-giving power of God in the story of salvation and calls on us to join all creation in the song of the angels. We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus as follows:

(Sing in harmony)

1.Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might!
2.Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Glo - ry fills the heav'n and earth!
3.Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Bless - ed is he who comes
4.Glo-ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!
5.Glo-ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Ho-san - na in the high - est!
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Ho-san - na in the high - est!
in the name of the Lord, Ho-san - na in the high - est!
Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Ho-san - na in the high - est!
Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! A - men, A - men!

The Presiding Celebrant recounts God's continuing love in the history of humanity and in the sending of his son, Jesus Christ.

We join Jesus as he celebrates his Last Supper and acclaim his giving of himself in the gifts of bread and wine. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice, we sing:

People: (verse 4) **Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord!**
Glory, glory, glory! Hosanna in the highest!

The Presiding Celebrant calls on the Holy Spirit to bless the gifts and strengthen us until we come to share the joys of eternity. We praise God's endless love and at the elevation of the bread and cup we sing:

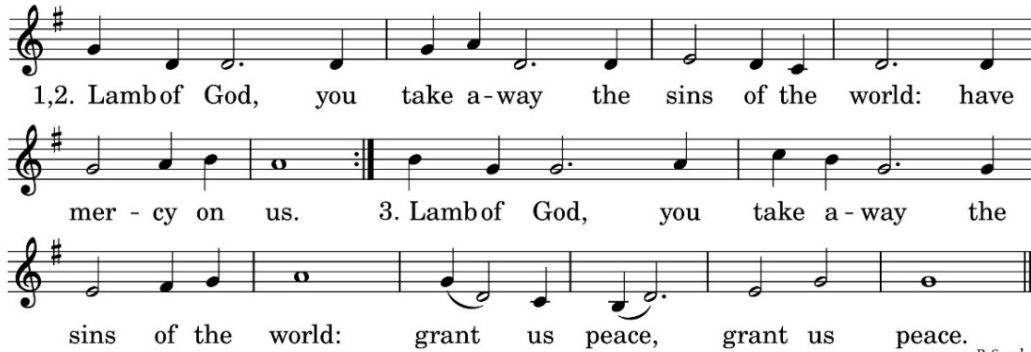
People: (verse 5) **Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord!**
Glory, glory, glory! Amen, amen!

Breaking of the Bread #1

Presider: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

All: **Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!**

Song for the Breaking of the Bread



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Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Communion

PLEASE BE SEATED

*All who seek God in Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament of holy communion.
If you would prefer a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to indicate this.
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

Music During Communion: What King Would Wade

C. Doran

Prayer after Communion

PLEASE STAND

Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,

All: **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Polychronia ("Many Years")

(Tune: Tallis' Canon)

Presider: Let us call down God's blessing:

All: **God give you many, many years to thank him for his blessings here.
And many, many, many more to pray God still his grace to pour.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn: CP #162 Sing of God Made Manifest

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

- 1 Sing of God made manifest in a child robust and blest,
To whose home in Bethlehem where a star had guided them,
Magi came and gifts unbound, signs mysterious and profound:
Myrrh and frankincense and gold grave and God and king foretold.
- 2 Sing of God made manifest when at Jordan John confessed,
"I should be baptized by you, but your bidding I will do."
Then from heaven a double sign--dove-like Spirit, voice divine--
Hailed the true Anointed One: "This is my beloved Son."
- 3 Sing of God made manifest when Christ came as wedding-guest
And at Cana gave a sign, turning water into wine;
Further still was love revealed as he taught, forgave, and healed,
Bringing light and life to all who would listen to God's call.
- 4 Sing of God made manifest on the cloud-capped mountain's crest,
Where both voice and vision waned until Christ alone remained:
Glimpse of glory, pledge of grace, given as Jesus set his face
Towards the waiting cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.

Dismissal

Postlude: Fantasia 'In dulci jubilo'

J. S. Bach

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