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Christ Church Anglican, Meaford

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"We are gathered together on the territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation."

Today we welcome Brooklyn Michaela Martin and her family to Christ Church, as together we witness and celebrate her baptism and renew our own baptismal vows.

Sunday, Sept. 19th, 2021, HOLY BAPTISM
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, 10:30am

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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Announcements

God has called us through the gospel, so that we may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thessalonians 2:14

Opening Hymn: We'll Sing in the Morning

CP# 37

We'll sing in the morning
a song of creation,
Of your breath that stirs up
The waters to birth;
And here at the fount of
Christ's mercy we join you,
Co-heirs of heaven and stewards of
your gracious earth.

We'll sing in the noon-time
A song of redemption;
How Naaman was cleansed
In the flow of your grace;

How, when we were sick,
In our sin you released us
To laugh in health and
dance in love before your face.

We'll sing in the evening
A song of your pastures,
Of rivers that gladden
The city of God;
And when we arrive on
The bank of our Jordan,
You'll help us through its cold
by fords your saints have trod.

Celebrant: 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.***

Celebrant: There is one body and one Spirit,

People: ***There is one hope in God's call to us;***

Celebrant: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

People: ***One God and Father of all.***

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: Let us pray.
Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and
the earth, and ourselves in your
image. Teach us to discern your

hand in all your works and to serve
you with reverence and
thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ
our Lord, who is alive and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PROVERBS 31:10-31

A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant girls. She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. She makes

herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all."

Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF JAMES 3:13-4:3, 7-8A

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with

gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be

boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do

they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (Vs 1) CP#508

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
thy head upon my breast."

I came to Jesus as I was, so weary,
worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place, and
he has made me glad.

The Holy Gospel (*all stand if able*)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

MARK 9:33-37

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them,

"Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."
Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn (cont'd): I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (Vs 3) CP#508

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am
this dark world's light;
Look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
and all thy day be bright."

I looked to Jesus and I found in him
my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk till
travelling days are done.

Homily:

The Venerable Judy Walton

Hymn: This Child of Ours, This Miracle (vs 1,2, &4) #38

This child of ours, this miracle,
You have a dream and plan for it;
You wash it clean, you cradle it,
you bless it and you call it yours;
this child of ours, this child of yours.

this child of yours, this child of ours.

This child of yours, this miracle
reborn of water and the word;
The Book of Life records its name;
you smile and angels celebrate;

This child of ours, this miracle,
whom Christ would die for we may
love,
and train and raise, and teach and
praise,
and watch the Spirit mould a life;
this child of ours, this child of yours.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Celebrant: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Response: We present Brooklyn Michaela Martin to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Response: We will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Response: We will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Response: ***We renounce them.***

Celebrant: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Response: ***We renounce them.***

Celebrant: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Response: ***We renounce them.***

Celebrant: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Response: ***We do.***

Celebrant: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Response: ***We do.***

Celebrant: Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Response: ***We do.***

Celebrant addressing the congregation:

Will you, who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

People: ***We will.***

Prayers for the Candidate

Celebrant: Let us now pray for the person who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Lay leader: Deliver Brooklyn Michaela, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Lay leader: Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Lay leader: Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Lay leader: Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People; ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Lay leader: Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lay leader: Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

*Lay leader: Grant, O Lord,
that all who are baptized
into the death of Jesus Christ your Son
may live in the power of his resurrection
and look for him to come again in glory;
who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen***

The Celebration of Baptism

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

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

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant: 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.*

Celebrant: 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.*

Celebrant: 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.*

Celebrant: 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.*

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant: 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.*

The Baptism

The candidate is presented by name to the celebrant, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying,

Brooklyn Michaela Martin, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The celebrant makes the sign of the cross on the child's forehead saying,

Celebrant: I sign you with the cross,
and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

The celebrant, at a place in the full sight of the congregation, prays over the newly baptized, saying,

Celebrant: Heavenly Father,
we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit
you have bestowed upon these your servants
the forgiveness of sin,
and have raised them to the new life of grace.
Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit.
Give them an inquiring and discerning heart,
the courage to will and to persevere,
a spirit to know and to love you,
and the gift of joy and wonder
in all your works. **Amen.**

The Giving of the Light

One of the ministers may then give to the newly baptized a lighted candle, saying,

Receive the light of Christ,
to show that you are a child of light.

**People: *Let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.***

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**People: *We receive you into the household of God.
Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his
resurrection, and share with us in his eternal
priesthood.***

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: *And also with you.*

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

God of power,
the glory of your works fills us with
wonder and awe.

Accept our offering this day,

and help us to live in peace and
harmony with all your creation,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our
Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer #2

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.*

Celebrant: We give you
thanks and praise, almighty
God, through your beloved

Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour
and Redeemer.

He is your living Word, through
whom you have created all
things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.

He lived and died as one
of us, to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

In fulfillment of your will
he stretched out his hands in
suffering, to bring release to
those who place their hope in

you; and so he won for you a
holy people.

He chose to bear our
griefs and sorrows, and to give
up his life on the cross, that he
might shatter the chains of evil
and death, and banish the
darkness of sin and despair.
By his resurrection he brings us
into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we
raise our voices to proclaim the
glory of your name.

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving

People Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into

thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

us, let us pray,

temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of Bread #3

Celebrant: Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose

many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

People: *So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.*

The Communion

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Prayer after Communion

Ruler of the universe,
all creation yearns for its fulfilment
in your Son.
May we who have shared in holy

things grow into maturity in him.

This we ask in the name of the same
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Doxology

Celebrant: 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.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn: Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love (vs 1, 2&3) CP #504

Refrain
**Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve the
neighbours we have from you.**

Varied in colour and race,
Neighbours are near and far away.
**Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
Show us how to serve the
neighbours we have from you.**

Kneels at the feet of his friends,
silently washes their feet,
master who acts as a slave to them.
**Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
Show us how to serve the
neighbours we have from you.**

These are the ones we should serve,
These are the ones we should love,
All these are neighbours to us and
you.
**Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
Show us how to serve the
neighbours we have from you.**

Neighbours are rich and poor,

Dismissal Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

(We invite you to hold all on our list in your prayers for the coming week.)

The Diocese: We hold in our prayers the people and clergy of: St. John-in-the-Wilderness, Brights Grove; Christ Church, Forest; St. Paul's Church, Point Edward.

The Parish: We hold in our prayers: Gilles Haché & Denis Authier, David & Muriel Hindle, Gayle Holmes and all those serving in the Canadian Armed Forces at home and overseas.

Intercessions: For healing and hope we hold up to God: Bob, Bill, Charlie, Erin, Heather, Howie, Jason, John, Leslie, Mike, Paul, Ruth, Sandra, Simon, Steve, Tyler, Vicki, Wayne, Wayne P., Wilma and any others who are in need of our prayers.

Flowers In Memoriam

Flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God and with grateful thanks for the life and ministry of my wife, Mary Lee, and daughter, April Lee, a gift of Louis Bernard.

Announcements

Today, please join us for refreshments following the service outside on the lawn (weather permitting).

**Next Sunday: September 26, 2021: Holy Eucharist
The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost, 10:30am
(In-house only)**

Celebrant & Homilist: The Ven. Judy Walton & Francis Richardson,
Lay Reader: Postulant Gilles Haché, Reader: Bill Alcock, Organist: Charlie Strimas.

Readings: Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22; (or Numbers 11:4-6,10-16, 24-29;
James 5:13-20;
Mark 9:38-50

Please note the Ven. Judy Walton began her interim ministry with Christ Church as of June 1. She will be working Tuesday and Wednesday mornings as well as covering any parish emergencies, pastoral needs and the various meetings that arise within the parish and deanery. Should you need to contact Judy, please call her home at 705-444-0233 or her cell phone 705-607-0870. Her email is revjudy@rogers.com.

