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**Sunday, January 9th, 2022, The Baptism of Our Lord
Liturgy of the Word, Online, Live-streamed at 10:30am & Videotaped**

Celebrant: The Venerable Judy Walton, Deacon: The Reverend Gilles Haché,
Lay reader: John Howard, Reader: Linda Emptage, Organist: Charles Strimas



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The Gathering of the Community

Announcements

Sentence:

A voice came from heaven saying, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased."

Matthew 3:17

Opening Hymn: On Jordan's Bank, the Baptist's Cry

CP #103

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee
whose advent doth thy people free,
whom with the Father we adore,
and Holy Ghost for evermore.

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.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Eternal Father, who at the baptism
of Jesus revealed him to be your
Son, anointing him with the Holy
Spirit, keep your children, born of
water and the Spirit, faithful to their

calling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH:43:1-7

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."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS 8:14-17

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.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: Sing a New Song Unto the Lord (vs 1+Ref) CP#312

Yahweh's people dance for joy.
O come before the Lord
And play for him on glad
tambourines,
and let your trumpet sound.
Refrain.

**Sing a new song unto the Lord;
let your song be sung
from mountains high,
Sing a new song unto the Lord,
singing alleluia.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

LUKE 3:2b-3, 10-16,21-22

The word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn: Sing a New Song Unto the Lord (vs 2 +Ref) CP#312

Rise, O children, from your sleep;
your Saviour now has come.

He has turned your sorrow to joy,
and filled your soul with song.

Refrain

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.

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."

**Sing a new song unto the Lord;
Let your song be sung
from mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord,
singing alleluia.**

Homily:

The Venerable Judy Walton

The Apostles' Creed

Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

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

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.

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

Prayers of the People

John Howard

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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 temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Doxology

All: Glory to God, 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: Hark the Herald Angels Sing (vs 1&3)

CP 138

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King,
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King."

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of
Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings,
mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise each child of earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King."

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. Matthew's Church, Kingarf; St. Thomas Church, Walkerton; Trinity Church, Durham.

The Parish: We hold in our prayers: Garry & Darlene Smith, Charlie & Marg Strimas, Diane Tarr, and all those serving in the Canadian Armed Forces at home and overseas.

Intercessions: For healing and hope we hold up to God: Bob, Chris, Christian, Erin, Heather, Howie, Janet, Jason, Jenny, John, Kyle, Leslie, Mike, Paul, Ruth, Sandra, Tyler, Vicki, Yvonne, Wayne, and any others who are in need of our prayers.

Flowers In Memoriam Today

We give thanks today for the life and ministry of past members of the Chancel Guild

Announcements

1. A **Vestry meeting** of all parishioners will be held on **Sunday, February 13th, 2022**. **Details to follow. DON'T FORGET TO MARK THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR!**
2. **Pastoral Care** **For urgent matters** of pastoral care, from January 10-22, please contact the **Deacon Assistant, Rev'd Gilles Hache** at 519-505-6965 or by email at gilleshache@diohuron.org. **He will respond as quickly as possible.** For non-urgent matters, questions, or concerning other ministries, please call the office 519-538-1330.
3. Unfortunately, **The Outreach Community Meal program** is temporarily deferred to a later date – details forthcoming.
4. **As noted, the church is closed to in-person services, but will continue to offer online live-streaming on Sundays at 10:30am and a videotaping available by Sunday on our website or Youtube channel. See the last eblast for further information.**

The next service, January 16th at 10:30am, livestreamed and videotaped. It is a Liturgy of the Word, presided by Rev'd Gilles Haché, Deacon Assistant. The readings are: Isaiah 62:1-5, 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 and John 2:1-11