



## **Baptism of the Lord**

St. Augustine Parkland Anglican Church  
131 Church Road  
Spruce Grove Alberta

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Service, January 9th, 2022

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### **Comfort, Comfort Ye My People - CP 100 (Pre-Service Hymn)**

Comfort, comfort ye my people; speak ye peace: thus says your God.  
Comfort those who sit in darkness bowed beneath oppression's load;  
speak ye to Jerusalem of the peace that waits for them:  
tell her that her sins I cover, and her warfare now is over.

Hark! The herald's voice is calling in the desert far and near,  
calling us to new repentance since the reign of God is here.  
Oh, the warning call obey! Now prepare for Christ a way;  
let the valleys rise to meet him and the hills bow down to greet him.

Make ye straight what long was crooked; make the rougher places plain.  
Let your hearts be true and humble as befits Messiah's reign.  
For the glory of the Lord now o'er earth is shed abroad,  
and all flesh shall see the token that God's Word is never broken.

### **O Worship the King - CP 380**

O worship the King, all glorious above; O gratefully sing his power and his love;  
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;  
his chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;  
thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

Our measureless Might, ineffable Love, while angels delight to hymn thee above,  
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

### **The Gathering of the Community**

*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* 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.

## Glory to God

*Celebrant* Glory to God in the highest,  
*People* and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* Please join me in today's Collect,  
All: 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.**

## **The Proclamation of the Word**

### **First Reading (Andrea)**

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."

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 29**

Your voice, O Lord, is a voice of splendor.

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

Your voice, O Lord, is a voice of splendor.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; 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 splendor.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

the Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

Your voice, O Lord, is a voice of splendor.

The voice of the Lord bursts forth in lightning flashes.

The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

Your voice, O Lord, is a voice of splendor.

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forevermore.

O Lord, give strength to your people; give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace.

Your voice, O Lord, is a voice of splendor.

## **Second Reading (Hazel)**

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.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Prepare the Way - CP 107**

Prepare the way of the Lord, prepare the way of the Lord,  
and all people will see the salvation of our God.

## **Gospel**

*Reader* THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE

*People* **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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."

The Gospel of Christ.

*People* **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

# Sermon

## Affirmation of Faith

### The Apostle's Creed

*Celebrant* Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,

**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.**

## The Prayers of the People (Randy)

### Confession and Absolution

*Celebrant invites people to confession in these are similar words*

Dear friends in Christ,  
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;  
he welcomes sinners  
and invites them to his table.  
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

*The officiant and people say together,*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Celebrant says,*

Almighty God have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all our sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness;  
and keep you in eternal life,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you!

*People:* **And also with you.**

### **Sing of God Made Manifest - CP 162**

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.

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.”

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.

## The Prayer over the Gifts

*Celebrant:* Please join me in the prayer over the gifts,

*All:* **God of life and freedom,  
we celebrate the revelation of Jesus  
as the Christ who makes all creation new.  
Accept all we offer you this day  
and make us new in him,  
who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Eucharistic Prayer 3

*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* Blessed are you, Gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you have revealed your eternal plan of salvation, and have shown your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of all peoples. Therefore with angels and archangels we raise our voices in joyful praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

*All* ***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
Lord God of power and might  
Heaven and earth are full,  
full of your glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna,  
hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is He who comes,  
who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna,  
hosanna in the highest.***

*Celebrant* We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

***All:* we remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory;**

***Celebrant*** and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

***People* Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

***Celebrant*** And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

***People* 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.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

*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

The gifts of God for the People of God.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### You Who Dwell in the Shelter - CP 531

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in his shadow for life, say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

Snares of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear: under his wings your refuge, his faithfulness your shield.

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day; though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come.

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

For to his angels he's given a command to guard you in all of your ways; upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

## Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant* Please join with me in the prayer after communion.

*All:* Gracious God, lover of all,  
by this sacrament  
you make us one family in Christ your Son,  
one in the sharing of his body and blood,  
one in the communion of his Spirit.  
Help us to grow in love for one another

**and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ.  
We ask this in his name. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Glory to God,

*People:* 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.**

## **The Blessing**

### **More Than We Can Ask or Imagine - CP 86**

More than we can ask or imagine, more than we can ever dare to dream,  
we are the children of heaven's creation, God's own beloved, each called by name.

And we cry, Glory! Glory!  
Glory to God who calls us by name!  
Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory we sing!

More than we will ever imagine, more than we will ever understand;  
we are sent to walk with compassion, to live our God's love by heart and by hand.

And we cry, Glory! Glory!  
Glory to God who presses us on!  
Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory our song!

More than we can ask or imagine, more than we could ever desire;  
out of the dust God's building a kingdom, like wine from the press, like bread from the fire.

And we cry, Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory we cry!  
Glory! Glory! Glory on earth, Glory on high!  
Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory we cry!  
Glory! Glory! Glory on earth! Glory on high!  
Glory on earth! Glory on high!

## **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant:* Go forth in the name of Christ.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

***Please remember in your prayers this week:***

- We pray for Metropolitan Greg, Primate Linda, and Bishop Stephen. We also pray for our clergy, Father Neil, Rev. John and Rev. Lesley.
- We pray for the National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop, the Most Rev. Mark MacDonald. St. Augustine of Canterbury, Edmonton: Jonathan Crane, Rector; Anne Wightman, Honorary Assistant. Buyé Diocese Youth Coordinator: Audace Kwizera. Enoch Cree Nation.
- in the world Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.
- We pray for the sick, the bereaved and those with special needs, especially remembering Bill, George & Doreen, Margaret, Stephen, Bud, Vicki, Maxine, Lauren, Lee, Jen & Matt.
- In our own parish this week, we pray for Walter & Claudette, Charles & Bev, Laura, Violet, Nadine; and their families.