

# CHRIST AND SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 8, 2023, 10:15 a.m.

*All page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer. Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal 1982.  
Service music, marked with an 'S', may be found in the front portion of the hymnal.*

**PRELUDE:** Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, BuxWV 223

*Dieterich Buxtehude*

*Please stand at the ringing of the Tower Bell.*

**HYMN 139:** When Jesus went to Jordan's stream

*Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam*

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

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*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*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.**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

### THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 42:1-9

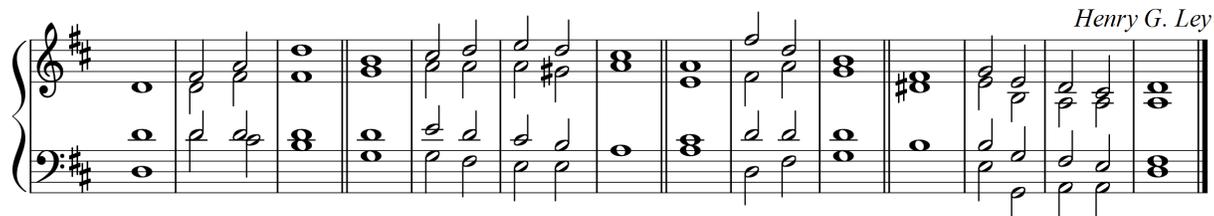
**H**ERE is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the

prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

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

**PSALM 29** (*sung by all*)



- 1 Ascribe to the | LORD · you | gods \*  
 ascribe to the | Lord | glory · and | strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the | glory · due his | Name \*  
 worship the | Lord · in the | beauty · of | holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
 the God of | glo·ry | thunders \*  
 the Lord is upon · the | might·y | waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a | power·ful | voice \*  
 the voice of the | Lord · is a | voice · of | splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord | breaks · the | cedar trees \*  
 the Lord | breaks · the | cedars · of | Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon | skip · like a | calf \*  
 and Mount Hermon | like · a | young · wild | ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;  
 the voice of the Lord | shakes · the | wilderness \*  
 the Lord | shakes · the | wilderness · of | Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the | oak · trees | writhe \*  
 and | strips · the | for·ests | bare.

(*sung to 2nd part of the chant*)

- 9 And in the | temple · of the | Lord \*  
 - | all · are | cry·ing | Glory!
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above · the | flood \*  
 the Lord sits enthroned as | King · for | e·ver!more.
- 11 The Lord shall give | strength · to his | people \*  
 the Lord shall give his | people · the | blessing · of | peace.

## THE SECOND LESSON

Acts 10:34-43

**P**ETER began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

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

**HYMN 121:** Christ, when for us you were baptized

*Caithness*

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 3:13-17

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

**J**ESUS came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## THE SERMON

The Reverend Vince Connery

## THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

*Celebrant* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People* **I do.**

*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 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 cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect and restore the beauty and integrity of all creation?

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

*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 neighbor 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.**

*Celebrant* May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Susan, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions.*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.  
*Silence. The People may add their own petitions.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.  
**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.*

## **THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM:** The Baptism of Jesus *Peter Hallock*  
Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane. [*Jesus now returns today to the Jordan.*]

When Jesus Christ baptised was, The Holy Ghost descended with grace;  
The Father's voice was heard in the place:  
'Hic est Filius meus; ipsum intende.' [*This is my beloved Son, listen to him.*']

There were Three Persons and one Lord, The Son baptised with one accord;  
The Father said this blessed word: 'Hic est Filius meus; ipsum audite.'

Now, Jesus, as thou art both God and man, And were baptised in River Jordan,  
At our last end, we pray thee, say then: 'Hic est Filius meus; ipsum audite.'

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** *Please stand.*

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*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 God thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues with the Proper Preface.*

Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

**SANCTUS:** Hymnal S 129

*Robert Powell*

*The Celebrant continues with Eucharistic Prayer A.*

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues...*

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION ANTHEM:** Sicut cervus

*Giovanni Perluigi da Palestrina*

*Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks: so longeth my soul after thee, O God.*

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

from *Enriching our Worship*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING & THE DISMISSAL

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Priest* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**HYMN 296:** We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

*Engleberg*

**POSTLUDE:** Fugue sur le thème du Carillon des Heures de la Cathédrale de Soissons

*Maurice Duruflé*

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God  
and in loving memory of Hugh Warren by Robert Warren.*

