

THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

The Baptism of Our Lord

January 12, 2020

As people of God, we celebrate Christ in the heart of Victoria through joyful worship, building inclusive community, and putting faith into action.

St. John's acknowledges these ancestral lands of the Lekwungen speaking people.

We are an inclusive and affirming parish; the sacraments of the church (baptism, communion and marriage) are available to all people on equal terms. Christ welcomes you, and so do we.



Welcome to the Parish Church of St. John the Divine, Victoria. We are a community of faith in the Anglican Tradition, seeking to live lives of faith, hope and love as part of this community of Downtown Victoria. We are on a journey of learning to be a welcoming, inviting, inclusive and serving community which is open to all.

Our worship reflects our rootedness in the Anglican tradition, whilst drawing on liturgies that reflect the long history and heritage of our Christian faith. Please join in as you feel able, and enjoy the words, music and opportunity for prayer and to be a part of our community.

If our service seems unfamiliar, please follow the cues from our leaflet, the ministers leading the service and those around you. Most of our Sunday morning worship services have the Eucharist, or Holy Communion, at the heart of our worship – please feel free to join us, whatever your tradition, in the sharing of bread and wine. Gluten free wafers are available: Please indicate if you need one.

Within the Anglican Church of Canada (under the advice of the Primate and the Chief Medical Officer for Canada) we would ask that bread is not dipped into the wine, as this has the potential to spread infection in a way that the sharing of the cup does not. If you would prefer not to share the cup then receiving only bread is considered 'full communion' (also known as 'Communion in One Kind').

If there is anything that you wish to talk about, please do take the opportunity to talk to the worship leaders, ministers and other members of the congregation following the service. If you wish to receive prayer for yourself or for another, there will be members of our Healing Prayer group in the south Quadra entrance who would be happy to pray with you as the Holy Communion is shared.

After our service we usually share coffee and an opportunity to get to know one another, in the Church Hall – through the door on the front left hand side. We have many visitors and newcomers here so please make yourself known to folks as you feel comfortable.

You are very welcome here. We don't always get it right; please let us know when we do, and when we don't. Please stay and be a part of our family, for however long you would like.

8:00 am Holy Communion

The order of service is found on page 67 in the Book of Common Prayer

Presider: The Reverend Bill Tarter

10:00 am Parish Eucharist

The congregation is invited to join in the hymns, responses and prayers marked in bold print.

Presider: The Reverend Canon Kevin Arndt

Audio: John McLaren

Deacon: The Reverend Patrick Sibley

Verger: David Pupak

Readers: Mary Alford, Heidi Hodgins

Music: The Choristers of St. John the Divine,

Sermon: The Reverend Bill Tarter

The Sutton Organ Scholar, The MacRae Choral Scholars

Intercessor: Peggy Wilmot

A Nursery for children aged 0 to 3 is available from 10 am until the start of the Eucharist.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

The children are invited to gather at the back of the church and join in the procession.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane. [Today Jesus returned to the Jordan]

When Jesus Christ baptised was, the Holy Ghost descended with grace; the Father voice was heard in the place: *Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende.* [This is my beloved child] There were Three Persons and one Lord, the Son baptised with one accord, the Father said this blessed word: *Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende.* Now Jesu, as thou art both God and man, and were baptised in from Jordan, at our last end, we pray thee, say then: *Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende.*

Text: Mediaeval English Music: Peter Hallock (1924-2014)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (CP 156)

DUNDEE

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

All: And also with you.

Almighty God
**All: 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.**

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER

After the prayer the children continue their worship in the Parish House.

Loving God,

All: you've called us to be your family and to celebrate our life together in worship.
We pray for all the members of our family, here and absent,
and especially for our young people now as they continue their worship.
Bless them, and each of us, in fun and learning, in friendship, and love. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

John Merbecke, adapted



Glo - ry be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will to-wards all.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glo - ri - fy you,



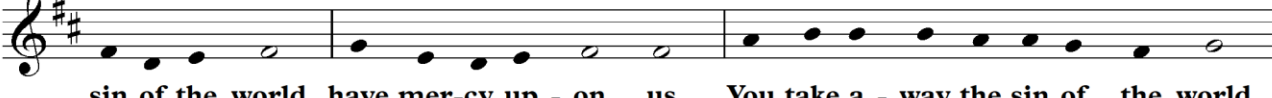
we give thanks to you for your great glo-ry, O Lord god, heav-en - ly King,



God the Fa-ther al-migh - ty. O Lord the on - ly be-got ten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the



sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. You take a - way the sin of the world,



re-ceive our prayer. You are seat-ed at the right hand of God the Fa - ther,



have mer-cy up - on us. For you on-ly are ho - ly; you on-ly are the Lord;



you on - ly, O Christ with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



are most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Presider invites all to pray. Silence is kept.

Eternal God,
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.

All: Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 42:1-9

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

29

Ascribe to the Lord, 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.
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 splendour.
The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
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.
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!"
The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.
The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing
of peace.

THE EPISTLE

Acts 10:34-43

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN (SPR 30)

DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

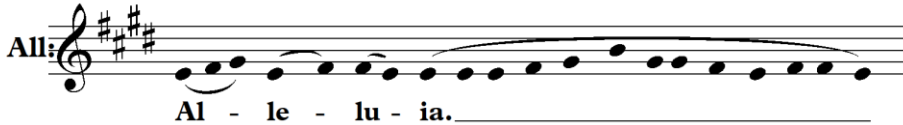
THE GOSPEL

Matthew 3:13-17

Before the Gospel



Choir: This is my Son the Beloved : with whom I am well pleased.



God is with you.

All: And also with you.

Hear the Good News of Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, O Christ.

After the Gospel

The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Following the Sermon there will be a pause for Silence.

RENEWAL OF THE BAPTISM COVENANT

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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 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 celebrate our fellowship in him in faith.

We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism

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.

All: Amen.

Dear friends, through the pascal mystery we have been buried with Christ in baptism, so that we may rise with him to a new life. Now that our Lenten observance is ended, let us renew the promises we made in baptism, when we promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church.

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

All: I do.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

**All: 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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**All: 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.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

All: I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin,
repent and return to the Lord?

All: I will, with God's help.

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

All: I will, with God's help.

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

All: I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,
and respect the dignity of every human being?

All: I will, with God's help.

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation,
and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

All: I will, with God's help.

God the creator, the rock of our salvation, has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ.
May God keep us faithful to our calling, now and forever.

All: Amen.

The ministers sprinkle the congregation with water from the font.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please sit, stand or kneel as is your custom.

THE PEACE

Please stand.

The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

All may offer their neighbour a sign of peace.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN (CP 385)

WAS LEBET

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

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.

All: Amen.

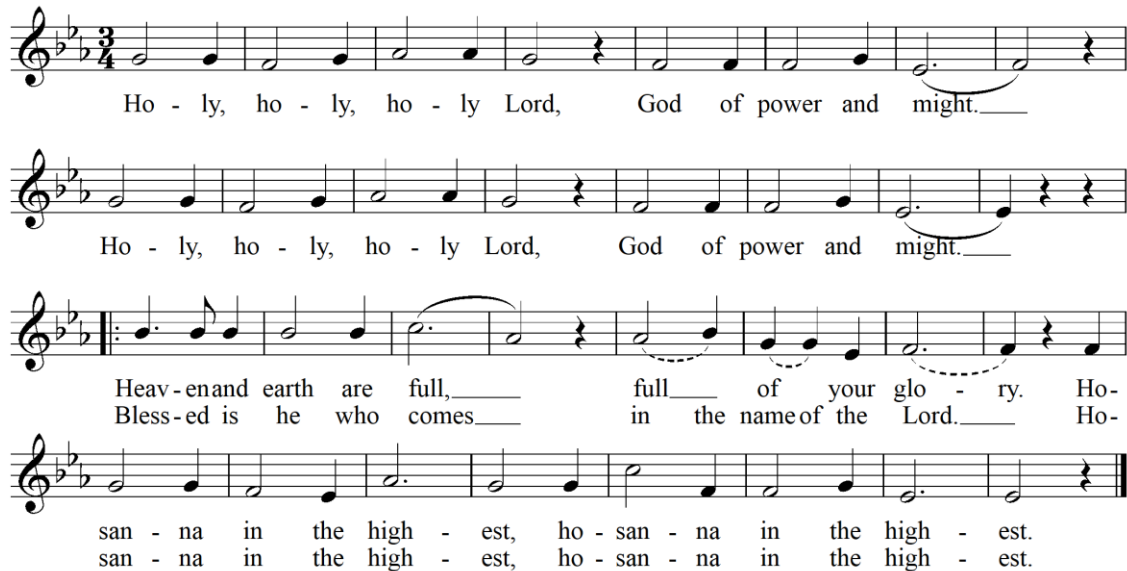
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Prayer 3, Book of Alternative Services

The_ Lord be_ with_ you. **All: And al-so with you.** Lift_ up your_ hearts._ **All: We lift_ them to_ the Lord.**
Priest: Let us give thanks_ to the Lord_ our God. **All: It is right_ to give our thanks and praise._**

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
by water and the Holy Spirit
you have made us a holy people
in Jesus Christ our Lord;
you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us,
to show forth your glory in all the world.
Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the holy people
who have served you in every age,
we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.____

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.____

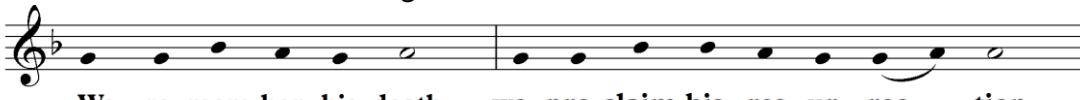
Heav - en and earth are full,____ full____ of your glo - ry. Ho -
Bless - ed is he who comes____ in the name of the Lord.____ Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
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F. Schubert, Deutsche Messe

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,



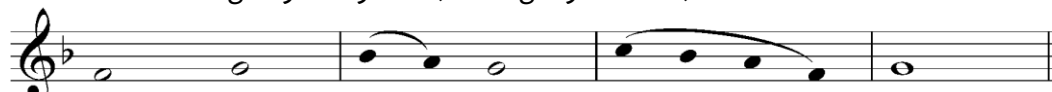
All: We re-mem-ber his death, we pro-claim his res-ur-rec-tion,
we a-wait his com-ing in glo-ry.

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.



All: A - men, A - men, A - - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ambrosian Chant

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

All: **God here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

THE COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

AGNUS DEI *Sung by the choir*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, *Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,*
miserere nobis. *have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, *Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,*
dona nobis pacem. *grant us peace.*

All are invited to receive communion. Please follow the Greeters' instructions. Receiving bread or wine is considered full communion. It is the practice of the ACC not to dip the bread into the wine. Any not receiving communion are invited to receive a blessing, and to indicate that by holding their arms crossed on their chest.

If you are unable to come forward for communion please make this known to the Greeters and we will bring communion to you.

Gluten free wafers for communion are available. Please request them from the person who is distributing the bread.

MINISTRY OF HEALING

We invite those wishing prayer for themselves or on behalf of someone else to come to the front of the line to receive the bread and wine. Immediately after receiving, go to the prayer station in the south Quadra entrance. Briefly state your need. The prayer team will lay hands on your shoulders and will pray quietly for you.

ANTHEM DURING COMMUNION

Following the Communion there will be a pause for Silence.

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE COMMUNITY

RECESSIONAL HYMN (CP 45)

WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

Please turn to the Advent Wreath at the font at the west end of the Church.

Minister: Blessed are you, loving God, creator of the Universe

All: For you have made all things, and love your creation

Minister: Gracious God, you have made light and dark, day and night, we give thanks for the wholeness of your life. We remember that in light things are clearer, and in darkness we may learn to trust in you and celebrate your mystery.

All: For darkness and light are the same to you

As the light of our Christmas Wreath reminds us of the light brought to us from our history, and of our welcome into your Church in baptism, we pray that we too may be people of light and life.

You are God through all time – who in the baptism of Jesus, the Christ made known your way of wholeness and holiness, of refreshment and renewal, and of new life in your Spirit. As we have renewed our commitment to our baptism covenant, bind us together as the body of Christ to be those who are transformed by your Spirit, those who live the life of Christ, and those who share the light of life and the mystery of God with your world. May we know you in this time and in this place as the God of now and of always, God of promise, and God of hope.

Minister: Blessed are you, loving God, creator of the Universe

All: For you have made all things, and love your creation

The congregation are invited to take the light of Christmas out into the world, by lighting the candles which were distributed at the beginning of the service from any of the Christmas Wreath candles, or the Paschal (Easter) Candle at the Font at the back of the Church. Then please feel free to bring to coffee following the service.

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

You are invited to be seated for the Voluntary or to leave at this point.

Coffee and tea will be served in the Parish Hall.

READINGS FOR JANUARY 19 – THE 2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Isaiah 49:1-7 It is not enough for Israel to be called, gathered, and honoured as the chosen people; they will also be a light to the nations.

Psalms 40:1-12 Thanksgiving prompts the psalmist to tell abroad the good news of deliverance.

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 In the beginning of this letter, Paul greets those called to be God's holy people.

John 1:29-42 We hear the Gospel of John's version of the baptism of Jesus, followed by the call of the first disciples.

FLOWERS

In remembrance of our dearly departed brother-in-law, Bob Jones, Valerie and Bill.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Today

11:45 am Sunday Reflections Denson Lounge

Monday 13

1:00 pm Garden Eucharist Memorial Garden

1:30 pm The Divine Knitters Denson Lounge

2:00 pm Book Study – “Speaking Christian” Walking Together Chapel

4:00 pm Living Presence Meditation Walking Together Chapel

Tuesday 14

10:00 am Food Bank Church Basement

11:30 am Pastoral Care Team meeting Denson Lounge

12:10 pm Meditative Eucharist Chapel

2:00 pm ACW Meeting Denson Lounge

Wednesday 15

7:45 am Holy Communion followed by Breakfast Chapel/Denson Lounge

9:30 am Sermon Circle Denson Lounge

12 Noon Art & Soul Group – Drop In Church Basement

7:00 pm Reel Thought Movie Night Denson Lounge

Thursday 16

10:30 am Social Justice and Action Group Denson Lounge

5:30 pm Holy Communion Denson Lounge

Friday 17

10:00 am Food Bank Church Basement

Sunday 19

8:00 am Holy Communion Chapel

10:00 am Parish Eucharist Church

11:30 am Parish Brunch Hall

2:00 pm Pflag Denson Lounge

6:00 pm A Simple Eucharist Church

The next Brunch will be on Sunday, January 19th

Please sign up on the sheet provided if you plan to attend, this will let us know how many to set up for.

The menu will be:

Coleslaw

Un-stuffed Cabbage Rolls

Oven roasted BBQ sausage

Mixed Vegetables

Perogies

Candy Popcorn (dessert)

Breads

Please note:

Next Sunday evening, January 19, there will be a Simple Eucharist at 6:00 pm.

EVENTS

Reel Thought and the Social Justice Action Group present

"Five Broken Cameras"

with commentary by Dr. Martin Bunton, Department of History, UVic

Wednesday, January 15th, at 7:00 pm, in the Denson Lounge.

This award-winning documentary, jointly directed by Palestinian farmer Emad Burnat and Israeli film maker Guy Davidi, is an inspiring, and at the same time profoundly disconcerting, study of the daily challenges of Palestinians living in the West Bank and their relations with both the encroaching Israeli settlements and the Israeli Army. It portrays the attempts of Burnat and his neighbours in the community of Bil'it to combat non-violently their treatment as strangers in their own land. The film, made roughly ten years ago, has continuing relevance, not least because of the recent decision of the Trump administration not to oppose Israeli settlement in the territory.

Dr. Bunton is an expert in Middle Eastern history and is author of the concise, eminently readable, and balanced study, *The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict: A Very Short Introduction* (Oxford University Press, 2013).

Music and Prayer in the Style of Taizé begins for January – March, 2020, at the Lutheran Church of the Cross, 3787 Cedar Hill Road. The next service is at 6:00 pm, Friday, January 17. Music practice begins at 5:30. All are welcome! January's Taizé service occurs on the eve of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - an extra reason to join this gathering.

Linen Workshop

On Thursday, January 30th at 9:30 am we will be holding a workshop to repair church hangings and sew some new linens. If you can help with this project please speak to Gerry Melville. We will be doing both hand and machine sewing.

Vestry Annual Reports are to be submitted **no later than Wed., Feb. 12th**.

Please email them to Carol-Ann at the office: admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca

Have you ever attended a Greater Victoria Police Choir Concert? - Now is your opportunity!! Come out on Sunday, February 23rd, at 2:00 pm to hear this marvellous choir, and raise money for the Food Bank at St. John's. Bring your friends! The tickets are \$20 per person (truly a bargain!), and are available through the Church Office. If you have never heard the choir before, you are in for a treat. If you have heard them before, we know you will not want to miss the chance to hear them again!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have not yet returned your **2020 pledge card**, please do so soon as we need this information to prepare as accurate a budget as we can.

A Prayer Group prays through the week; to request confidential prayers for yourself or others contact Pat Manning or leave the request at the church office.

Prayer is the bedrock of our relationship with God through Christ. Individual requests for intercessory prayer (read at Sunday and weekday services) may be made by filling out a **Prayer Request Card** available at the back of the church (on the west wall) or by emailing the same information requested on the card to: admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca.

New for 2020 – the January Blue Envelope is for Street Hope Victoria

The Street Hope motor home operates two evenings a week a couple of blocks from our church. Volunteers welcome people of all ages for homemade soup, sandwiches, hot chocolate, juice, cookies and fruit.

Hungry people find food, support and conversation as well as other essentials such as warm clothing and toiletries.

If you are interested in making soup or volunteering for a shift in the motor home, email victoria@streethope.org For more information, visit the Street Hope Victoria website at victoria.streethope.org or talk to Chris Eve.

The new 2020 flower calendar is now in place. Please consider giving flowers sometime during the year. When giving flowers, please be sure to **mark your cheque with the date of the dedication.**

Out of the Rain News

A huge thank you for your most generous donations toward Christmas stockings for our kids! We were able to purchase enough good hoodies, warm gloves and winter socks for everyone who spent Christmas Eve with us. There was also an abundance of chocolate and a special supper, as well as a much appreciated breakfast. It's so great to belong to such a loving community.

Blue Envelopes - SPECIAL OFFERING FOR OUTREACH MINISTRY

Each year the Parish Council chooses 12 outreach ministries so that envelope subscribers may direct their gifts to specific ministries. The money collected and distributed is not part of the budget. Regular white envelopes support the operation of the church, the "Outreach Ministries" are above and beyond this, addressing issues we care about as a church. Like the regular white envelopes, a tax receipt is issued at year end. Each month the special outreach ministry is advertised in the Bulletin and in church. Please note the list of participants on the bulletin board just inside the church near the garden door.

LET JUSTICE ROLL #8

The new "Let Justice Roll" Newsletter is now available to interested St. John's parishioners. The main theme of Issue #8 is "Peace, Non-Violence and Disarmament". We include a contribution by local peace activist Bill Geimer and an interview with the world's best-known whistle blower and anti-nuclear crusader, Daniel Ellsberg. Also, Eric Sama is profiled in this issue as one of our parish "justice champions"; Anne Moon reflects on Remembrance Day; Sara Chu reminds us that "The Times They Are A-Changin'"; and John McLaren offers a timely tribute to Peggy Wilmot. And ... there's a whole lot more, including articles on the Gospel according to Bruce Cockburn; Race Reparations in the US Episcopal Church; and thought-provoking reflections by Richard Rohr, Jim Wallis and Frankie Schaeffer. Pick up your print copy (free) at either entrance to the Sanctuary, outside of the Church office, or in the Church Hall at Sunday coffee hour.

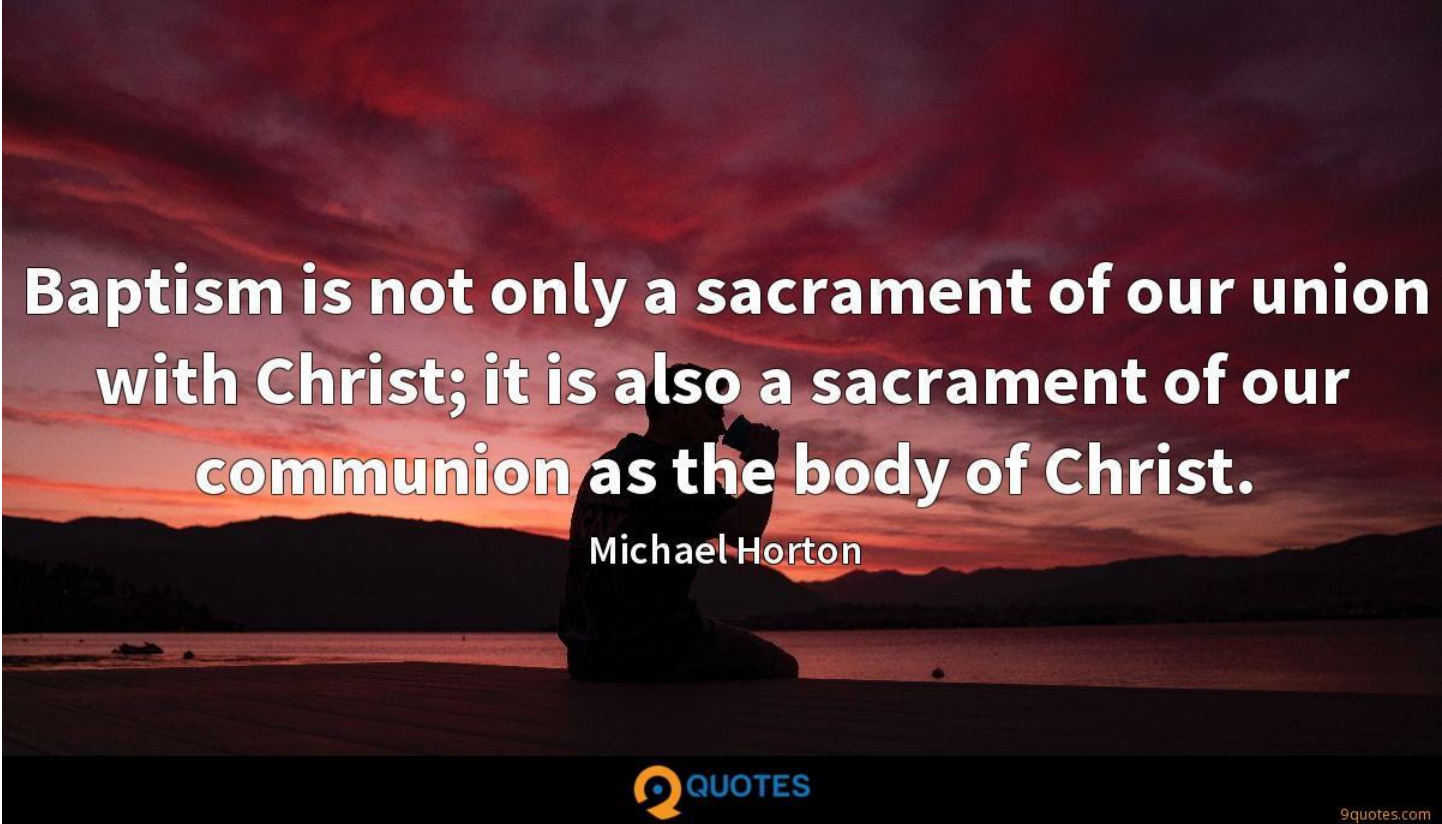
SOUL SPACE

Things to nourish our spiritual journey.

“Jesus’ baptism wasn’t cute. No adorable gown, no inspiring chorus sung by a choir. Mark’s stripped-down, just-the-facts account of Jesus’ baptism renders the reader breathless. As Jesus emerges out of the water, the heavens are torn open and a voice declares “You are my Son, the beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

And immediately Jesus heads out -- not to brunch, but into the wilderness. He doesn’t post pictures on Instagram. He doesn’t hang out with his cousin. Instead, Jesus runs. He heads to the wild and woolly places of the world, where evil awaits and tragedy is common. We know those wilderness places all too well -- they are the places where mothers are accidentally shot by their toddler sons, where suicide bombers strike crowded civic centers, or airplanes crash into oceans. Jesus’ baptism leads him straight to the world’s misery, which may make us rethink the meaning of baptism.”

- Chris Keating



Baptism is not only a sacrament of our union with Christ; it is also a sacrament of our communion as the body of Christ.

Michael Horton

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

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