St. George on Yonge
Anglican

January 11, 2026

The Baptism of the Lord (Proper 1)

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist

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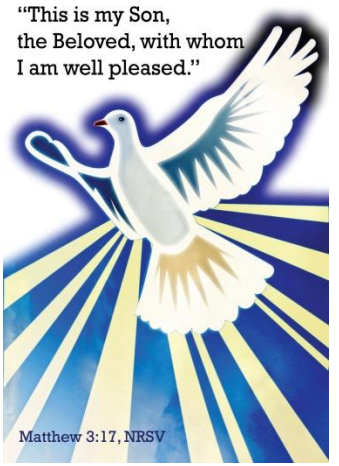

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The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #103 "On Jordan's Bank, the Baptist's Cry"

Text by Charles Coffin; translation by John Chandler

1 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.

2 Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
make straight the way for God within.
Prepare we in our hearts a home,
where such a mighty guest may come.

3 For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge, and our great reward;
without thy grace we waste away,
like flowers that wither and decay.

4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let thy light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.

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

Greeting and Collect for Purity page 185

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.**

Hymn #366 "Glory, in the Highest Glory" Text from Glory to God (Gloria in excelsis), Greek hymn; paraphrase by Paul Gibson

1 Glory, in the highest glory,
peace to all, in all their days.
Worship, thanks, and praise unceasing
to the Source of all we raise:
reigning in the sapphire height,
hidden from our mortal sight,
now receive our adoration,
as we make our supplication.

2 Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer,
Lamb of God, for sinners given,
Word eternal, born of Mary,
Word made flesh, the face of heaven:
holy one, to you we pray,
hear us in the realms of day,
with the Spirit there united,
and the Godhead high exalted.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **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: Isaiah 42:1–9

Reader A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

[1] Here 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.
[2] He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;
[3] a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice.
[4] He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.
[5] 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:
[6] 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,
[7] to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.
[8] I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols.
[9] See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29

Arrangement by Christopher L. Webber
Tune Hymn #378 Diademata

1 Ascribe to God, you gods,
Ascribe glory and might;
Ascribe the glory due his Name,
Worship in holy light.
God's voice is on the deep,
His thunder rolls on high;
The Lord is on the water-flood,
God's voice a mighty cry.

2 God's voice breaks mighty trees
Tall cedars of great worth;
They writhe and leap like mountain sheep,
God's voice shakes all the earth.
God's voice splits flames of fire,
God's voice shakes desert sands;
God's voice makes oak trees shake and
strips
The leaves from forest stands.

3 Within God's temple all
Cry "Glory!" and adore;
The Lord sits throned above the
flood
As King for evermore.
The Lord will give his strength
To all his own, nor cease
To give his people evermore
The blessing of his peace.

Second Reading: Acts 10:34–43

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

34 Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, 35 but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. 36 You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. 37 That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38 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. 39 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; 40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 41 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. 42 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. 43 All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual: “Alleluia”

Holy Gospel: Matthew 3:13–17

Subdeacon The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Subdeacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. 14 John
would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?’
15 But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all
righteousness.” Then he consented. 16 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. 17 And a voice from heaven said, “This is my
Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Subdeacon The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Apostles’ Creed [**Hymn** #44] “I Believe in God Almighty” Paraphrase by Sylvia G. Dunstan

1 I believe in God almighty,
Father of all things that be,
maker of the earth and heavens,
keeper of the sky and sea.
I believe in God’s Son, Jesus,
now for us both Lord and Christ,
of the Spirit and of Mary
born to bring abundant life.

2 I believe that Jesus suffered,
scourged and scorned and crucified;
taken from the cross, was buried—
true life there had truly died.
I believe that on the third day
Christ was raised up from the grave,
then ascended to God’s right hand.
He will come to judge and save.

3 I believe in God’s own Spirit,
bonding all the saints within
one Church, catholic, and holy,
where forgiveness frees from sin;
in the body’s resurrection,
for the breaking of death’s chain
gives the life that’s everlasting:
this the faith that I have claimed.

The Prayers of the People

Leader Lord, in your mercy,
People **Hear our prayer.**

Confession and Absolution page 191

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

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

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

The Peace page 192

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

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn #636 "Come, Thou Holy Spirit, Come"

Text from Latin; translation by Edward Caswell

1 Come, thou Holy Spirit, come,
and from thy celestial home
shed a ray of light divine;
come, Defender of the poor,
come, thou source of all our store,
come, within our bosom shine:

2 thou of comforters the best,
thou the soul's most welcome guest,
sweet refreshment here below;
in our labour rest most sweet,
grateful coolness in the heat,
solace in the midst of woe.

3 O most blessèd Light divine,
shine within these hearts of thine,
and our inmost being fill;
where thou art not, we have naught,
nothing good in deed or thought,
nothing free from taint of ill.

4 Heal our wounds; our strength renew;
on our dryness pour thy dew;
wash the stains of guilt away;
bend the stubborn heart and will;
melt the frozen, warm the chill;
guide the steps that go astray.

5 On the faithful, who adore
and confess thee, evermore
in thy sevenfold gifts descend:
give them virtue's sure reward,
give them thy salvation, Lord,
give them joys that never end.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **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 page 198

Proper Preface Lord's Day 3 page 218

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; 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.

People **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.

Michael Leach

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,

People **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 children; 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. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer [Michael Leach]

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People **Our Father in heav'n, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread #1 page 212

Celebrant "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

People **Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!**

The Communion page 213

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Lamb of God [Michael Leach]

People **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:**
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

All are welcome to receive communion with us

When the ushers indicate to you, please line up in the centre aisle.

- ***To receive a blessing,*** *as you reach the priest with the bread, cross your arms over your chest. Return to your seat after receiving the blessing.*
- ***To receive the bread****, hold your hands in front of you, palms up.*
- ***We have gluten free bread,*** *please ask the priest when you get to the front.*
- ***To receive the wine from the cup****, take the bottom of the cup and the base and guide it to your mouth.*
- ***If you prefer to take only the bread,*** *you may indicate this to the cup bearer by crossing your arms over your chest, or simply walking past them.*

Communion Hymn #165 "Mark How the Lamb" Text by Carl P. Daw, Jr.

1 Mark how the Lamb of God's self-offering
our human sinfulness takes on
in the birth-waters of the Jordan
as Jesus is baptized by John.
Hear how the voice from heaven thunders,
"Lo, this is my belovèd Son."
See how in dove-like form the Spirit
descends on God's Anointed One.

2 From this assurance of God's favour
Jesus goes to the wilderness,
there to endure a time of testing
that readied him to teach and bless.
So we, by water and the Spirit
baptized into Christ's ministry,
are often led to paths of service
through mazes of adversity.

3 Grant us, O God, the strength and courage
to live the faith our lips declare;
bless us in our baptismal calling;
Christ's royal priesthood help us share.
Turn us from every false allegiance,
that we may trust in Christ alone;
raise up in us a chosen people
transformed by love to be your own.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **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.**

Doxology [Michael Leach]

People **Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more, infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever, for ever and ever. Amen, Amen.**

Blessing

Recessional Hymn #387 "All Praise to Thee"

Jesus Christ is Lord (Philippians 2:5–11);
paraphrase by F. Bland Tucker

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine,
didst yield the glory that of right was thine,
that in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine:
alleluia; alleluia!

2 Thou camest to us in lowliness of thought;
by thee the outcast and the poor were sought,
and by thy death was God's salvation wrought:
alleluia; alleluia!

3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
who wast a servant that we might be free,
humbling thyself to death on Calvary;
alleluia; alleluia!

4 Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose, thou
art high exalted o'er all creatures now,
and given the name to which all knees shall bow:
alleluia; alleluia!

5 Let every tongue confess with one accord
in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord;
and God the Father be by all adored:
alleluia; alleluia!

Dismissal

Subdeacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please join us for refreshments following the service.

We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .
Congregation Cycle Stephen P & Ann-Marie WP / Antony W / Tsz Ho (Anthony) W & Donya X / Maxwell & Anne W / Alice X, Rita S

Today's Scripture Readings	Next Sunday's Scripture Readings
The Baptism of the Lord	**Second Sunday after the Epiphany**
Isaiah 42:1-9	Isaiah 49:1-7
Psalm 29	Psalm 40:1-12
Acts 10:34-43	1 Cor 1:1-9
Mt 3:13-17	John 1:29-42

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Territorial Acknowledgement

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We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.