The Cathedral Church of St. James

The Baptism of the Lord

January 13, 2019 - Sung Eucharist at 9:00am



"Epiphany" by Ivana Demchuk, mixed techniques on canvas.

Baptism does not confer on us a status that marks us off from everybody else. To be able to say, 'I'm baptized' is not to claim an extra dignity, let alone a sort of privilege that keeps you separate from and superior to the rest of the human race, but to claim a new level of solidarity with other people. It is to accept that to be a Christian is to be affected – you might even say contaminated – by the mess of humanity. This is very paradoxical. Baptism is a ceremony in which we are washed, cleansed and re-created. It is also a ceremony in which we are pushed into the middle of a human situation that may hurt us, and that will not leave us untouched or unsullied. And the gathering of baptized people is therefore not a convocation of those who are privileged, elite and separate, but of those who have accepted what it means to be in the heart of a needy, contaminated, messy world. To put it another way, you don't go down into the waters of the Jordan without stirring up a great deal of mud!

— Rowan Williams, Being Christian, 2014.

Welcome to St. James Cathedral

This sacred land is the territory of several Indigenous Nations - the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee, and the Anishnaabe, with special recognition to the Mississaugas of New Credit. We also acknowledge that we are on the shores of Niigaani-gichigami/Lake Ontario. This territory is governed by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Treaty, an agreement between the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Anishnaabe Confederacy to peaceably share and sustain the life of the Great Lakes. In the spirit of that Treaty we seek to place at the centre of our gatherings the values of respectful reciprocity, diversity, peace, responsibility, and mutual aid.

Information about Cathedral events and ministries announcements can be found at the back of this booklet after the service program.

Questions? Speak to a sidesperson – the people wearing gold name tags.

Children & Families

Sunday School is offered at 11:00am for all children aged 5-12, including visitors, in the Library of the Cathedral Centre. Children and their families are invited to gather in the reserved pews near the entrance of the Cathedral with Children & Youth Coordinator Andrew Kuhl. During the Collect, Andrew will bring the group to the Library, returning to the service for the Eucharist. Speak to Andrew directly about registration or email him at **akuhl@stjamescathedral.ca**.

Nursery Care for preschoolers is available from 8:45am – 12:30pm on Sundays, in the Library (Cathedral Centre).

Accessibility

A Wheelchair Accessible Washroom is located at the front of the Cathedral through the doors by the pulpit. Assisted hearing devices are available from the sidespersons.

Coffee Hour

Join us for coffee after the 9:00 and 11:00am services in Snell Hall of the Cathedral Centre.

The Cathedral Centre is the glass and brick building located behind the Cathedral on Church Street.

Parking

There are a variety of inexpensive parking lots available around the Cathedral. Please see the leaflets at the back of the Cathedral or online at **stjamescathedral.ca/contact** for more information.

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As this is a very public and open space please be aware of your personal belongings. Do not leave them unattended in the Cathedral or in the Cathedral Centre.

Welcome! We are so glad you have joined us for worship this morning. Please ensure that cell phones are turned off and refrain from taking photographs during the liturgy.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude Overture to the Occasional Oratorio

G.F. Handel

Welcome and Announcements

The chancel party gathers around the vessel of water mid-aisle.

Thanksgiving Over The Water

Presider The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider Blessed are you, O God, Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end.

You are the One who makes all things new. To the thirsty you give water from the spring of the water of life. You make the wasteland glad, the desert rejoice and blossom, turning parched ground into a refreshing pool and arid terrain into an overflowing fountain. By the gift of water you

nourish and renew all living things.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider In the beginning, when darkness covered the face of the deep, you

breathed your Spirit over the waters, calling forth life in abundance. In the time of Noah, when the flood of judgment engulfed the earth, you rescued

and made a covenant with your creation.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider At the Red Sea, you drove back the waters by the strong wind of your

Spirit, opening up a path to liberation. You released the children of Israel from the shackles of slavery to dance and sing on the shore of freedom and

promise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider In the fullness of time, Jesus was baptized in the River Jordan, repenting

for the sin of the world and restoring to water its healing work in all

creation.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider In the Jordan, you revealed Jesus as the one in whom your soul delights.

You anointed him to open the eyes that are blind, to rescue the prisoners from the dungeon, to set free those who sit in darkness, and to bring forth

justice to the nations.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider Suffering the baptism of death and resurrection, Jesus set us free from the

bondage of sin and death, and gave birth to the New Creation. The crucified and risen Christ stands among us, baptizing with the Holy Spirit and with fire, enlivening us to proclaim the gospel to all nations, serve you as a royal priesthood, and act as faithful stewards of all that you have

made.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider Breathe your Spirit, O God, upon this water that your servants who are

washed and anointed may share with your Christ in his death and resurrection. Let there be no distinction among those whom one font, one Spirit, one faith make one people. Together, may we stand as a sign and foretaste of your Kingdom, a covenant to the people, a light to the nations. We give you praise and honour and worship through your Child, Jesus

the Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Baptismal Covenant

Presider Let us renew our Baptismal Covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Presider 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.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion

of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life

everlasting.

Presider 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.

Presider 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.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider 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.

Presider Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect,

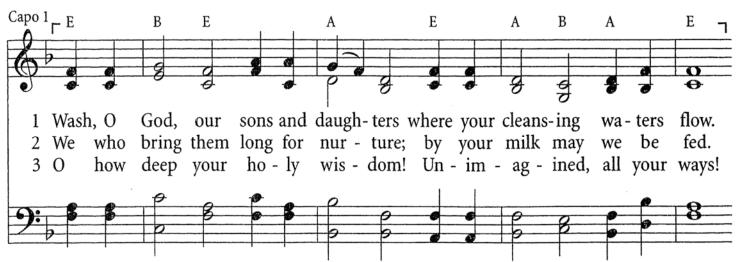
sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

People I will, with God's help.

The chancel party moves through the nave and the presider sprinkles the congregation with water.

Hymn

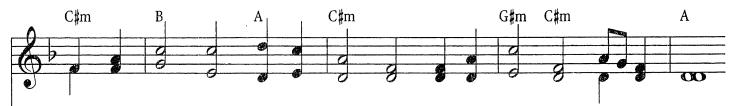
Text: Ruth Duck; Music: Melody The Sacred Harp, Mason, 1844; attrib. Benjamin Franklin White; Tune: Beach Spring





Num-ber them a - mong your peo - ple, bless as Christ blessed long a - go. Let us join your feast, par - tak - ing cup of bless - ing, liv-ing bread. To your name be glo - ry, hon-our! With our lives, we wor-ship, praise!





Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; com-pass them with love and light. God, re-new us; guide our foot-steps; free from sin and all its snares, We your peo-ple stand be-fore you, wa-ter-washed and Spir-it-born.





Fill, a - noint them; send your Spir - it, ho - ly dove and heart's de - light. one with Christ in liv - ing, dy - ing, by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs. By your grace, our lives we of - fer. Re - cre - ate us; God, trans - form!



Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray.

Please remain standing.

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.

People Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

The First Reading

Isaiah 43: 1-7

Reader

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 honored, 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."

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm Please remain seated.

Psalm 29—Plainsong

Cantor As-cribe to the Lord you gods, *

ascribe to the Lord glo-ry and strength.

All Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his <u>name</u>; *

worship the Lord in the beau-ty of ho-li_ness.

Cantor The voice of the Lord is upon the wa-ters; the God of glory thunders, *

the Lord is upon the migh-ty wa-ters.

All The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *

the voice of the Lord is a voice of splen-dour.

Cantor The voice of the Lord breaks the <u>ce</u>-dar_trees; *

the Lord breaks the ce-dars of Le-ba_non.

All He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *

and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

Cantor The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;

the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness, *
the Lord shakes the wilder-ness of Ka-desh.

All The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe; *

and strips the fo-rests_bare.

Cantor And in the temple of the <u>Lord</u> *

all are cry-ing, "Glo-ry!"

All The Lord sits enthroned above the <u>flood</u>; *

the Lord sits enthroned as king for e-ver more.

Cantor The Lord shall give strength to his peo-ple; *

All the Lord shall give his people the <u>bless</u>-ing of peace.

The Second Reading

Acts 8: 14-17

Reader

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.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia

Please stand as you are able and turn to face the Gospeller in the centre aisle.

Cantor Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! People Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Cantor A voice came from heaven, saying,

"This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased."

People Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel

Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

Gospeller The Lord be with you. People And also with you. Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospeller 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."

Gospeller

The Gospel of Christ.

People

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

The Prayers of the People

Please stand, as you are able.

Please join in the response indicated by the Intercessor.

Confession and Absolution

Presider

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

Please kneel, as you are able.

Presider

Most merciful God,

All

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.

Presider

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.

People Amen.

The Peace

Please stand, as you are able.

We offer each other a sign of peace. A handshake or a simple bow are appropriate.

Presider

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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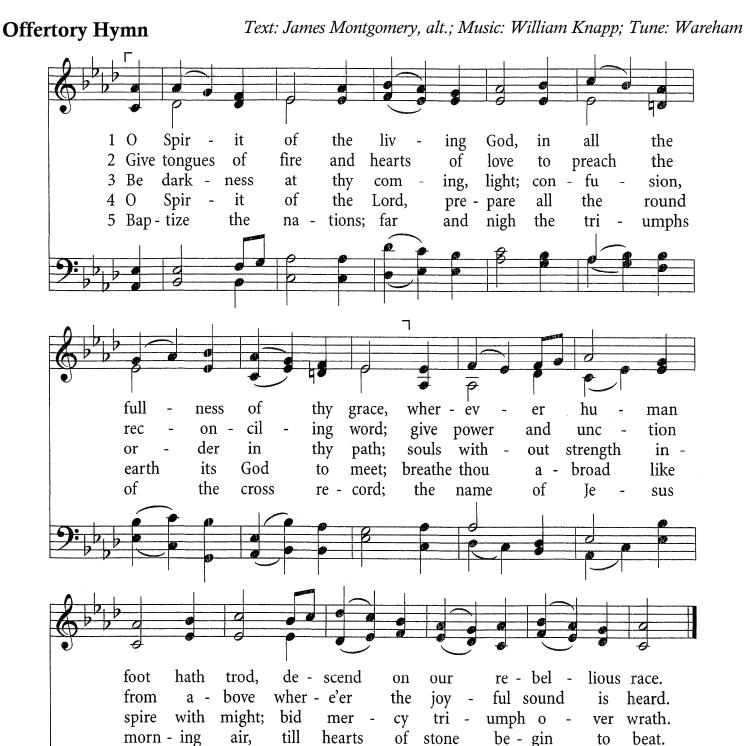
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him Lord.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider 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.

People Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

People We lift them to the Lord. Lift up your hearts. Presider

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Presider It is right to give our thanks and praise. People

Presider 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 & Benedictus

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Please assume a posture of prayer that is appropriate – stand, sit or kneel.

Presider

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Presider

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

People Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

McNeil Robinson

Presider

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

All

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. 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

Presider 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

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

Mass of St. Denis – Barrie Cabena

All

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

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Communion.

There are three stations for reception: the centre aisle (standing), and both side altars (kneel or stand). Gluten-free hosts are available upon request.

For health reasons, please refrain from dipping the host in the chalice.

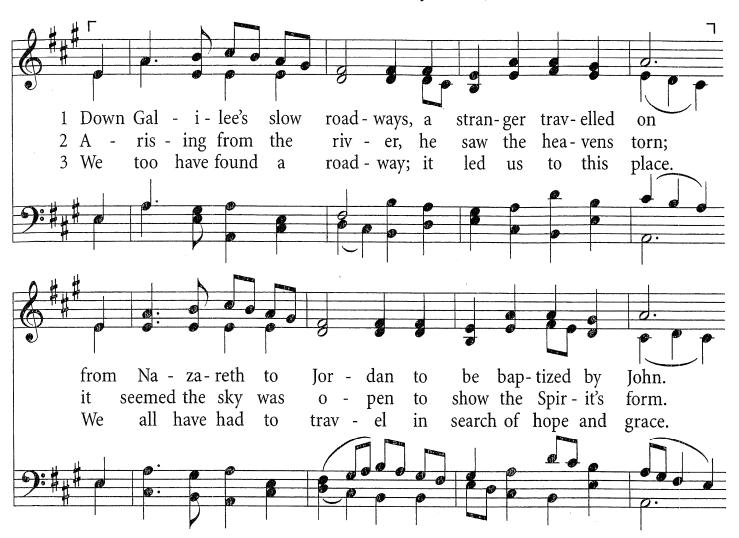
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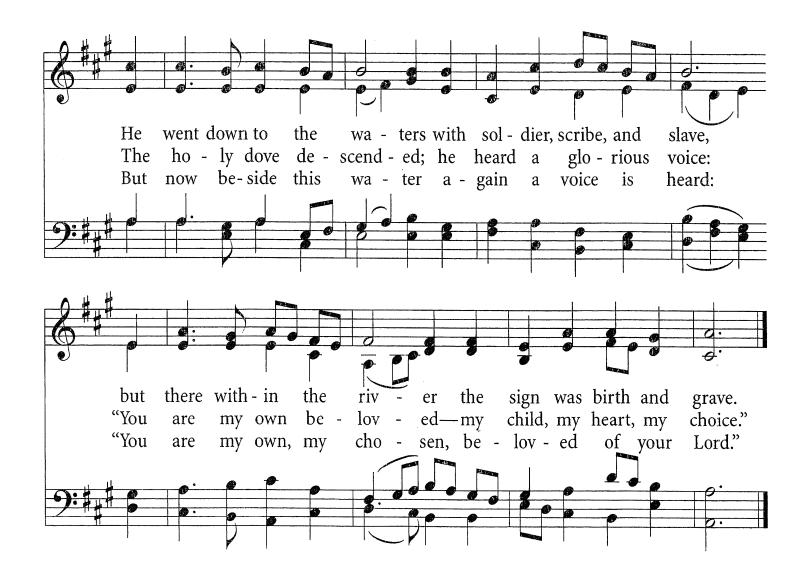
Choir Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Deus.

As a hart longs for the flowing streams, so longs my soul for thee, O God.

Hymn

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, alt.; Music: Melody Johann Steurlein; harm. Healey Willan; Tune: Wie Lieblich Ist Der Maien





Prayer after Communion

Presider Let us pray.

Please stand, as you are able.

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.

People Amen.

All

Presider 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.

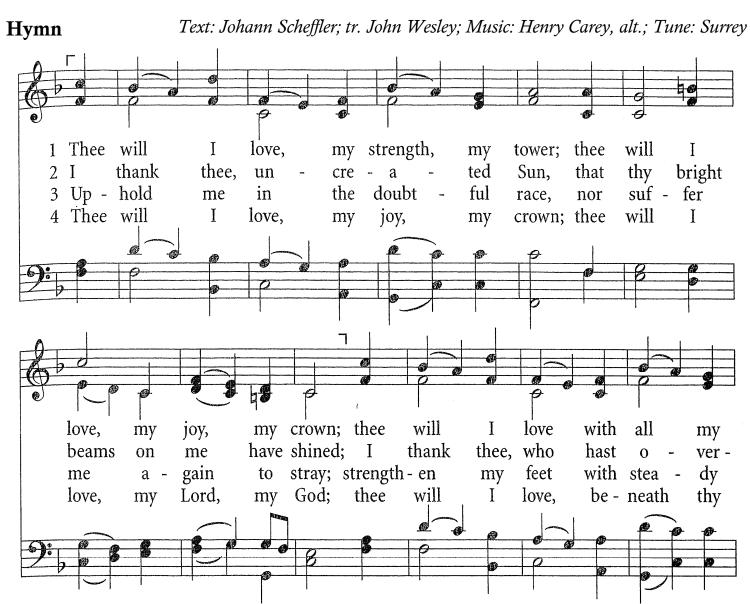
The Blessing

Presider

May the God of infinite goodness scatter the darkness of sin and brighten your hearts with holiness; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

People

Amen.





Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Finale (from 'Organ Concerto No. 1, Op. 4 in G')

G.F. Handel

Presiding Celebrant: The Reverend Pearce J. Carefoote • Homilist: The Vicar Reader: Sheila Snelgrove • Intercessor: Irene Courage

Communion Ministers: Simon Creary, Carol Kysela, Linda Schulz & Maurice Snelgrove

Stewards: Gerald Courage & Christine Hillyer

Director of Music: Robert Busiakiewicz • Organist: Ian Sadler Organ Scholar: Nick Veltmeyer Sung by the Cathedral Parish Choir