

**ST. STEPHEN'S WITH ST. JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH,  
CHAMBLY AND GRACE CHURCH, L'ACADIE**



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**BAPTISM OF THE LORD  
SUNDAY, JAN. 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

**“We believe we are called by God to be a faithful ministry to God through our actions, while true to the Gospel and spiritually alive in prayer, worship and service, to reach out to our community and grow in ministry.”**

## HOLY EUCHARIST

Celebrant: Andy O'Donnell

Organist: Colin Langille

### **Celebrant: Welcome**

Opening Hymn: #101 – Hail to the Lord's Anointed - {Tune: Cruger}

The service begins on Page 185 of the BAS with the "Gathering of the Community"

Sentence: **A voice came from heaven, saying, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased." {Matthew 3.17}**

Greeting Page 185 of the BAS

**Collect of the day:** See Page 348

### **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD Heather Hancheruk**

Today's first reading is taken from the book of Isaiah, Chapter 42, verses 1-9  
Listen now for the word of God.....

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.  
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.

*[Silence followed by]*

*For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.   **THANKS BE TO GOD.***

**The Psalm for this morning is Psalm 29:1-11 found on Pages 738 of the BAS. We shall read the Psalm together with the Prayer at the end.**

*This morning's second reading is taken from the book of Acts, Chapter 10 verses 34-43. Listen now to the Word of God.*

Then Peter 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.'

*[Silence followed by]*

*For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.....*      **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Gradual Hymn: #103 – On Jordan's Bank, The Baptist's Cry - {Tune: Winchester New}

Rev. Andy O'Donnell: The Lord be with you.

**People:                                      And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapter, beginning at the thirteenth verse.      [Matthew 3:13-17]

**People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Then Jesus 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 fulfil 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.'

*The Gospel of Christ*      **ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily: Rev. Andy O'Donnell

## **The service continues on Page 188 with the Nicene Creed**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – Claude Dubois**

With thanks to Lowell Grisham

Presider: Let us pray to our God who gives breath to all people upon earth and spirit to those who walk upon it, that through baptism we may be empowered as God's beloved children to share in the healing and reconciling work of Christ, saying: God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**

Litanist: Uphold your chosen servant the Church, O Blessed One, and put your spirit upon her, that she may not grow faint or be crushed until all have known the power of Christ's resurrection. God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**

Let your gentle spirit be upon this nation and upon all in authority throughout the world, that we may share in your work to bring forth justice upon the earth. God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**

Look upon all humanity with your divine compassion, and bring your light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind and to bring from the prison those who sit in darkness. God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**

Visit this community with your indwelling Spirit to declare new things that speak of justice and peace, that we may go about doing good and healing all who are broken or oppressed. God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**

May the heavens open and your Spirit descend upon this congregation, bringing your love and grace to all for whom we pray, especially for our Foster Children Kasu and Maria, Eileen, Ron and Gary Agle, the Goodfellow family, Bill and Joyce, Lynn Pearce, Olga, Ian McGregor, Denise Dubois, The McConnell family, Mitsa, Glenn and Kiki, Lil and Joe Robinson, Ann Hopkins, Sylvia Dawson, Joel and Sarah, Donald Sloane, Jennifer, Derek Marchand, Ted Neville, Michel Hamel, Leslie Ederer, and Bill Johnson. In the wider community we pray for Andy's Dad George O'Donnell, Patrick Turgeon, Virginia, Brianna Walsh, Brahim, Kevan, David, Bob Carveth, Robbie, Mark, Beth Reid, Keith Donahue, Dianne, Luna Utrera, Yolanda, Pauline, Kevin and Linda Gillis Johns, Ann Barton, Jerry Prokoki, Alvin Powell, and Art Atwood. God shall give strength to the people; **God shall give us the blessing of peace.**

Presider: Gracious and loving God, you have anointed your people with the waters of Baptism and have made us your beloved children: Let your Spirit spread mightily

through us, that we may share in the work of your Son, bringing reconciliation and light to all the world in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we uphold in prayer Mary our Bishop, David our Metropolitan, Linda our Primate, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and all Priests, Clergy, Deacons and Lay readers in the Diocese. We pray also for Dr. Richard Virr, Archivist, Ms. Sandra Koukou Administrative Assistant to the Archives. In the world we pray for The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma). We also remember in prayer Rt. Rev'd. Dr. Bruce Myers, Bishop, Diocese of Quebec and for our partnerships with the Territory of the Peoples, and for the Diocese of Masasi, Bishop James Almasi and our developing friendship with the Diocese of Kinshasa, Bishop Achille. Lord in your mercy; **Amen**

**The service continues on Page 191 with the Confession and Absolution**

The Peace Page 192

Offertory Hymn: #628 – O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High - {Tune: Puer Nobis Nascitur}

**Prayer over the gifts: Page 348**

\*\*The flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of Andrew Stephen Young from the Young family.\*\*

Eucharistic Prayer #1 on Page 193

**The Lord's Prayer, Page 211**

The Breaking of the Bread #6, Page 213

**Prayer after Communion: Page 349**

Doxology, Pg. 214

Dismissal/Blessing: Page 215

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

**Birthdays this week:**  
**Dave Rideout – Jan. 1st**  
**Christina Moquin – Jan. 2nd**  
**Geoff Phillips – Jan. 2nd**  
**Joan Ellwood – Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Beverly Derry – Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**Eileen Agle – Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**Gary Agle – Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>**

**“Happy Birthday to you, To Jesus be True,  
May God’s many blessings  
Keep falling on you”**

Closing Hymn: #322 – All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name – {Tune: Miles Lane}

Dismissal

Coffee will be served in Randell Hall immediately following the service courtesy of Lynn Osborne

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