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ANGLICAN CHURCH

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January 7, 2024

Baptism of the Lord



January 7, 2024—The Baptism of our Lord
Processional Hymn: CP 162 Sign of God Made Manifest
Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Sentence:

We have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship
Him. *Matthew 2.2*

The Grace

Celebrant:

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

People: And also with you.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant:

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

Silence is kept.

Celebrant: 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.**

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.

People: Amen.

Silence is kept.

Collect for Purity

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.**

Collect of the Day:

Celebrant:

Eternal God,
who by a star
led wise men to the worship of your Son.
Guide by your light the nations of the earth,
that the whole world may know your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Proclamation of the Word

Let us listen for the Word of God in Holy Scripture.

First Reading [Isaiah 60: 1-6](#)
Psalm Psalm 72, 1-7. 10-14 Page 797
Second Reading [Ephesians 3: 1-12](#)
Gospel [Matthew 2: 1-12](#)

Celebrant: God is with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith (Nicene Creed)

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**All: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

Prayers of the People

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: CP 122 In the Bleak Midwinter

Celebrant: Thanks be to you,

**All: Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits you have given us,
and all that you have borne for us.
In our sharing in this Eucharist,
in Church or at home,
we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts.
O most merciful redeemer,
friend and brother,**

**may we know you more clearly,
love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly,
day by day.**

Amen.

*St. John The Divine Anglican Church, Victoria B.C.,
Alastair Singh- McCollum*

Let us pray.

Prayer over the Gifts

Gracious God,
accept the offering of your Church,
the hearts of your people
joined in praise and thanksgiving,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Eucharistic Prayer 2

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.

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

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
Through you beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
Our Saviour and Redeemer.
He is your living Word,
Through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.
He lived and died as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will

he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.
By his resurrection
he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All: 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.**

Celebrant:

Holy and gracious God,
accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread and gave you thanks,
saying, "Take, and eat:
this is my body which is broken for you."
In the same way he took the cup,
saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy

to stand in your presence and serve you.
We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.
Gather into one
all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you
and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church,
now and for ever. **Amen**

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
All: we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

The Lord's Prayer

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 forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: 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.**

Distribution Hymns :

SNC 2 Longing for Light

SNC 229 Here is Bread

Prayer after Communion:

God of all the nations of the earth,
guide us with your light.

Help us to recognize Christ as he comes to us
in this eucharist and in our neighbours.

May we welcome him with love,
for he is Lord now and for ever.

Glory to God

**All: 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,
Forever and ever.**

Amen.

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: SNC 44 There were Angels Hov'ring Round

Dismissal

LA: Go in peace to love and serve our living God.

All: Thanks be to God

Parish Happenings

- **Office hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9-1
- **Coffee Hour:** Every Monday 10 am, St. Matthew's room. Also on Zoom
- **Prayer Chain** meeting Is the first Wednesday of every month at 10:30. The next meeting is February 7, 2024
- **Midweek Eucharists:** all are welcome, please join us:
Wednesday—Midweek Eucharist 12:30
Thursday – Meditative Eucharist 12:30
- **ACW Gathering** Every Friday 10 am in the library
- **Mindfulness Group:** Every Wednesday in the library at 3:30.

Announcements

- If you have an announcement for the bulletin, email or phone the church office.
 - **Prayer Chain Requests?** Email the Prayer Chain if you have a prayer request prayerchain@stpeterscampbellriver.com. There is also box in the Narthex where you may leave a prayer message. Prayers will be offered for one month, if you wish longer, please contact the Prayer Chain.
 - **EXPLORATION IN SPIRITUALITY** (part two): Retired minister, Murray Etty, is offering the second of a 2-part course on Spirituality. There will be five 1 1/2 sessions, Thursday afternoons 2:30-4:00 pm, beginning January 18, 2024, in the United Church Fellowship Hall. Minimum 8 people maximum 15. There will be no cost but a donation to cover photocopying is appreciated. This course builds upon, but is independent of part one. Sign up sheet in the church bulletin board.
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Dreaming of Pies? The ACW can make your dream come true on January 21 at their Pie Sale following the church service. Turkey Pies—individual (two servings), \$7 each. Apple, blackberry, mincemeat & cherry pies—individual \$6 each, large \$15 each. Pre-orders must be paid in advance. All proceeds are in support of the Hall Floor Project.

Ordination Service

Stephanie Diana Wood
to the Sacred Order of Priest

January 6, 2021



The Anglican Church of
St John The Divine



*Did you know that yesterday was the anniversary of
Stephanie's Ordination?*

WELCOME!

Parish Staff and Leaders

Rector's Warden: Lois Tirebuck
People's Warden: Pauline Woods
Deputy Wardens: Frank Maga and Tony Smith
Treasurer: Holly Finn
Church Administrator: Trina Soltys
Musicians: Georgia Smith, Kate Fitzsimmons
Custodian: Janice Kozak
Prayer Chain: Sue Vickery
Communications Director: Trina Soltys
Envelope Secretary: Frank Maga
Healing Prayer Ministry: Sue Vickery
Lay Assistants and Readers: Pauline Woods
Mindfulness: Jane Jennings
Coffee Monday: Jennifer Coolen
Librarian: Jane Jennings
Safe Church: Andrea Charlton
PWRDF Rep: Barb Henshall
Building: George Wagner
ACW: Bev Lawrence
Sides person: Pam Hedderson
Zoom master : Tony Smith

The parish of St Peter Anglican Church and St Saviour Anglican Church is located on the unceded, traditional territory of the Ligwi'da'xw people: the We Wai Kai, Wei Wai Kum, and Kwiakah First Nations; the unceded traditional territory of the Klahoose First Nation; the unceded traditional territory of the K'omoks First Nation and the unceded traditional territory of the Homalco First Nation. We seek a new relationship with the first peoples here; one based on honour and respect. We pray that we may live more deeply into the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.