



Order of Service for January 11, 2026
The Baptism of the Lord
Celebration of Holy Eucharist 10 a.m.
Celebrating: The Rev'd Tony Hilling
Assisting: The Rev'd Deacon Betty Nadurak



**St. Paul's
Anglican Church**
Opening Hearts and Minds to God's Grace

**I have given you as a covenant
to the people, a light to the nations
Isaiah 42:6**



The Gathering of the Community

Pre-service Music: Be Not Afraid (Please join in this time of worship, as we prepare for the service)

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Processional Hymn: CP # 380 O Worship the King (screens)

Greeting: p. 185 (Book of Alternative Services - green book) (screens)

Collect of the Day ... p. 348 (screens)

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

A reading from the book of Isaiah

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.

Isaiah 42:1-9

Reader: The word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God*

Psalm 29 ... p. 738 (screens)

The Epistle Reading

A reading from the book of Acts

Peter began to speak to the Gentiles: "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."

Acts 10:34-43

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual Hymn: CP # 647 Spirit of the Living God (screens)

The Holy Gospel

Leader: **The Lord be with you.**

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Gospel Acclamation: The Alleluia (sung)

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."

Matthew 3:13-17

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

Gospel Acclamation: The Alleluia (sung)

Homily

Presentation and Examination ...p.153 (screens)

Prayers for the Candidates ... p. 155 (screens)

The Celebration of Baptism ... 156 (screens)

The Baptismal Covenant ...p. 158 (screens)

The Giving of Light ... p. 160 (screens)

The Peace: p. 192 (screens)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: CP # 482 Come and Journey with a Saviour (screens)

Prayer over the Gifts ... p. 348 (screens)

Eucharistic Prayer #1 ... p. 193 (screens)

The Lord's Prayer, Form 1 p. 211 (screens)

The Breaking of the Bread, Form 1 p. 212 (screens)

Agnus Dei (screens)

The Communion ... p. 213 (screens)

Communion Hymns: (screens)

Humble King (Choir Anthem)

Freely, Freely

Peace Give I to Thee

Blessed are You Lord

Hymn After Communion: Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness (screens)

Prayer after Communion ... p. 349 (screens)

Doxology ... p. 214 (screens)

The Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn: CP # 371 To God Be the Glory (screens)

Sending (screens)

Traditional Land Acknowledgement

Creator, you made all people of every land. In the spirit of respect and truth, we honour the traditional Treaty 7 territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy, including the Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani Nations, the Stoney Nakoda, including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley Nations, and the Tsuu T'ina Nation. We acknowledge the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region Three. In the spirit of reconciliation and because we are all treaty people, we also acknowledge all people who make their homes in the traditional Treaty 7 territory of Southern Alberta.

Prayers for this Week

(bold italics indicate new or special emphasis this week)

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for ***Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America***. In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle, we pray for ***Ryan Weston, Lead Animator, Public Witness for Social and Ecological Justice; Executive Director, Will Postma, and staff of Alongside Hope***. In the Lutheran Church, we pray for ***Interim-Executive Director, Michael Pryse, and staff of Canadian Lutheran World Relief***. In the Moravian Church we pray for ***Justin Rabbach, Executive Director, and staff of the Board of World Mission***.

In our Diocesan Cycle, we pray for ***St. Laurence, Calgary and their clergy The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland, The Rev. Dcn. Lynne Smith, The Rev. Carolyn Herold (Hon.) and The Rev. MJ Leewis-Kirk (Hon.)***. We lift to you our friends in our Companion Diocese, the Windward Islands. We pray for ***Holy Trinity, Georgetown with St. John, Holy Name, St. Peter, St. Luke and Byera Chapel, on St. Vincent And their Incumbent The Ven. Junior Ballantyne, Rector***.

In our Parish Cycle, we pray today for our clergy Tony Hilling, Betty Nadurak, Cyril Haynes, Sean Devlin, Garry MacDowall and their families.

We pray for the special child our Parish sponsors through Children Believe.

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health, comfort and strengthen those of our parish who are sick, injured or distressed, and those approaching or recovering from surgery, especially we lift up to you: Ari; Andrea; Dorothy Ann; Robbie; Patrick; Josh; Bob & Joanne; Michael; Scott; Kerin; Obiageli Gloria.

We thank you for your healing touch which sustains us every day; and for the many healings that have taken place in our parish, and your unending mercy as you hear our prayers.

We pray for all those whose lives have been thrown in turmoil by storms, floods, fires, famine, or other climate disasters. We remember all who are struggling economically. Please help us all to stand together in hard times.

We pray for the Indigenous Peoples of this land. We give thanks for the immeasurable privilege of sharing the journey of life together.

We pray for forgiveness for the terrible harm inflicted by Residential Schools, for the racism that still infects our hearts and is an open wound in our country; for an end to all forms of prejudice and bigotry; for justice; for reconciliation, and new paths forward that honour all God's precious children.

We pray for peace and justice in our own country and throughout the world. We remember the people of Ukraine, the Holy Land, USA, Nigeria, and all whose lives have been torn apart by violence. We pray for safe haven for over 80 million people in the world whom violence has forced to flee their homes. **We stand in** solidarity with all whose lives have been devastated by human evil, and all seeking to make the world as it ought to be. **We pray for** protection and guidance for all in law enforcement or our military in danger at home or overseas. May your Holy Spirit guide world leaders to seek just resolutions to all conflicts, that all people may come to know your peace that passes all understanding and war be no more.



*The flowers on the altar are given
to the glory of our risen Lord.*