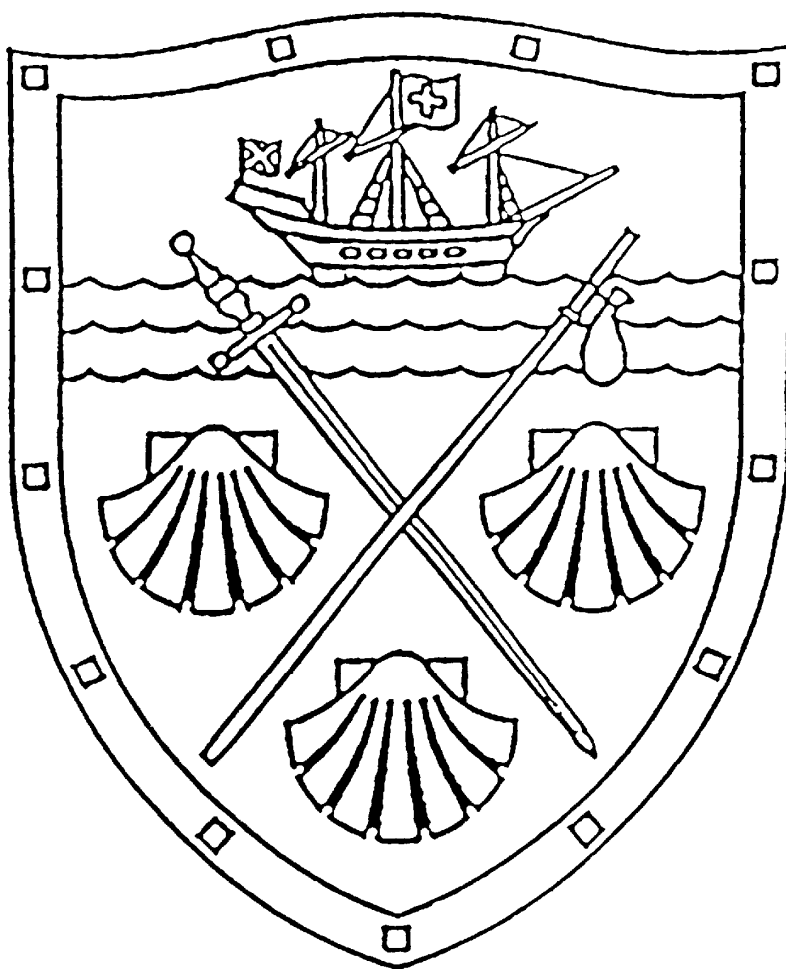


# The Cathedral Church of St. James

## The Baptism of the Lord

*January 10, 2021*

*Holy Eucharist with Spiritual Communion at 11:00am*



*The Cathedral Church of St. James  
Diocese of Toronto • Anglican Church of Canada*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

**Prelude** Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele BWV 654

*J.S. Bach*

## Welcome & Announcements

*Please stand, as you are able.*

### Hymn: CP 560

Text: John Marriott, alt.; Music: Felice de Giardini;  
adapt. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875; Tune: Moscow

### God, Whose Almighty Word

*Cantor* God, whose almighty Word chaos and darkness heard, and took their flight:  
hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light!

Saviour, who came to bring on your redeeming wing healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind, sight to the inly blind: now for all humankind  
let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy Dove, speed on your flight!  
Move on the water's face bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light!

Gracious and holy Three, glorious Trinity, wisdom, love, might,  
boundless as ocean's tide rolling in fullest pride: through the world far and wide  
let there be light!

## Greeting

*Presider* 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 with thy spirit.**

*Presider* Almighty God,  
*All* **unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no  
secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy  
Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy  
holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Kyrie Eleison

*Presider* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*People* **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

*Presider* Lord, have mercy upon us.

## **Gloria**

*Cantor*

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards all. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## **Collect of the Day**

*Presider*

Let us pray.

*Please remain standing.*

O heavenly Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ did take our nature upon him, and was baptized for our sakes in the river Jordan: Mercifully grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may also be partakers of thy Holy Spirit; through him whom thou didst send to be our Saviour and Redeemer, even the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

*People*

**Amen.**

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

*Please be seated.*

### **The First Reading**

*Genesis 1: 1-5*

*Reader*

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

*Reader*

The word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm** *Please remain seated.*

*Psalm 29*

*One* Ascribe unto the LORD, O ye mighty,  
ascribe unto the LORD worship and strength.

*All* **Give unto the LORD the honour due unto his Name;  
worship the LORD with holy worship.**

*One* The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;  
it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder,  
even the LORD upon many waters.

*All* **The voice of the LORD is mighty in operation;  
the voice of the LORD is a glorious voice.**

*One* The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedar-trees;  
yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.

*All* **He maketh Lebanon to skip like a calf,  
and Sirion like a young ox.**

*One* The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire;  
the voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness;  
yea, the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

*All* **The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to bring forth young,  
and strippeth bare the forests:  
in his temple doth every thing speak of his honour.**

*One* The LORD sitteth above the water-flood,  
and the LORD remaineth a King for ever.

*All* **The LORD shall give strength unto his people;  
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

## **The Second Reading**

*Acts 19: 1-7*

*Reader* While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.' Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.' On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand, as you are able.*

*A. Gregory Murray*

## **Gospel Acclamation**

*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**

*Mark 1: 4-11*

*Gospeller* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

*Gospeller* John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. 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 be to thee, O Christ.**

## **Homily**

### **The Nicene Creed**

*Please stand, as you are able.*

*Presider* I believe in one God

*All* **the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance**

with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us all and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **The Intercession**

*Presider* Dear friends in Christ, as we celebrate the coming of the Christ who was born, manifested and baptized for our salvation, let us pray to God who dwells among us, saying:

*Intercessor* God, hear our prayer.

*People* **And let our cry come unto thee.**

*At the Thanksgiving for the departed:*

*Intercessor* Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,

*People* **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Presider* Loving God, Source of grace and truth, accept these prayers and let the light of your love increase in us and in our world. May we come to see the true light who shines throughout the world and who is God for all eternity; we ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

*Presider* Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

*Please kneel, as you are able.*

*Presider* Almighty God,  
*All* **Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people:  
We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we  
from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word and  
deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily  
sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and  
grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

*Presider* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised  
forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn  
unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins;  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Please stand, as you are able.*

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

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## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **When Jesus Came to Jordan**

Text: Fred Pratt Green; Tune: Wie Lieblich Ist der Maien

*Cantor* When Jesus came to Jordan to be baptized by John,  
he did not come for pardon, but as his Father's Son,  
he came to share repentance with all who mourn their sins,  
to speak the vital sentence with which good news begins.

He came to share temptation, our utmost woe and loss,  
for us and our salvation to die upon the cross.  
so when the Dove descended on him, the Son of Man,  
the hidden years had ended, the age of grace began.

Come, Holy Spirit, aid us to keep the vows we make,  
this very day invade us, and every bondage break.  
Come, give our lives direction, the gift we covet most:  
to share the resurrection that leads to Pentecost.

*Presider* Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the  
heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own  
have we given thee.

*People* **Amen.**

### **Thanksgiving & Consecration**

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Presider* It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and  
in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,  
Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things. Who by water and the  
Holy Spirit hast made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; thou dost  
renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth thy glory  
in all the world. Therefore with Angels, and Archangels, and with all the  
company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore  
praising thee and saying:

### **Sanctus & Benedictus**

*All* **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy  
glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in  
the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please kneel, as you are able.*



*Presider*

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; And, when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded.

And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*People*

**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Presider* And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

*All* **Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*All* **We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

## **Agnus Dei**

*All* **O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.**

## **The Communion**

*Presider* The gifts of God for the People of God.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

*Presider* Those wishing to do so may make their spiritual communion by joining in this prayer with me now:

*People* **I worship and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Holy Sacrament and in your people, who are gathered in spirit. In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart, and in our community. May you, enthroned on the altar, be now enthroned in my heart; may you, present in bread and wine, feed and renew my soul; may you, who give yourself to us again, fill us with grace, and heavenly blessing. Even as I am fed, may my hunger for you and for your reign of justice and peace increase, that I may, with your Spirit, work for that day when your reign shall come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

*W.A. Mozart*

**Motet** Laudate Dominum K.339

*Cantor* *Laudate Dominum omnes gentes*

*Laudate eum, omnes populi*

*Quoniam confirmata est*

*Super nos misericordia eius*

*Et veritas, veritas Domini manet, manet in aeternum. Amen.*

Praise the Lord, all nations;

Praise Him, all people.

For He has bestowed

His mercy upon us,

And the truth of the Lord endures forever. Amen.

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Presider* Let us pray.

*Please stand, as you are able.*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical Body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

*People* **And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, Ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. 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.**

**Hymn: CP 599**

**Awake! Awake! Fling off the Night**

Text: J.R. Peacey;  
Tune: Deus Tuorum Militum

*Cantor* Awake! Awake! Fling off the night, for God has sent a glorious light,  
and we who live in Christ's new day must works of darkness put away.

Awake and sing, with praises strong, in psalm and hymn and spirit-song.  
Let love our words and works renew with all that's good, and right, and true.

Let in the light; all sin expose to Christ, whose life no darkness knows.  
Before the cross expectant kneel, that Christ may judge, and judging, heal.

Then rise as children of the light. Be neither proud, nor hide from sight.  
Be careful how you live, and wise to sift the truth from cunning lies.

Through Christ give thanks to God, and say to other sleepers on the way:  
"Awake, and rise up from the dead that Christ may shine on you instead!"

**Dismissal**

*Presider* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** Herr Christ, der ein'gottes Sohn BWV 601

*J.S. Bach*

*Presiding Celebrant: The Very Reverend Stephen Vail*

*Homilist: Claire Latimer-Dennis*

*Music Director & Organist: Thomas Bell*

*Cantor: Rebecca Gray*

Lockdown can be a lonely experience for many members of the Cathedral. Not only does it take away the opportunity for in-person worship, it adds the burdens of isolation and disconnectedness to so many who live alone. If you know anyone who would benefit from a call from our pastoral care team, please be in touch with Canon Beth Benson at [bbenson@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:bbenson@stjamescathedral.ca).  
Thank you.

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## SPECIAL VESTRY MEETING

A **Special Vestry** of St. James Cathedral Church is being called for **January 17, 2021 at 1:30pm to take place on Zoom**. In keeping with the Canons of the Church this will be a single agenda meeting to seek Approval in Principle for the Replacement of the Retorts at St. James Cemetery and Crematorium and the required funding for this project.

In accordance with the Canon on Vestries of the Diocese of Toronto, persons sixteen years of age and over who have been members of and worshippers with this congregation for at least three months, prior to the meeting of the Vestry, and have not voted as a member of any other Vestry during the previous three months, nor intend on voting in any other Vestry during the ensuing year, are parish members. If you wish to confirm your status as a parish member please email [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca).

Registration to attend the Special Vestry meeting is available on our website at [www.stjamescathedral.ca](http://www.stjamescathedral.ca) or by email to [info@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:info@stjamescathedral.ca) or leave a message at 416-364-7865, ext. \*229. Details of how to connect to the meeting will be sent to registered members prior to the meeting date. **Please register to attend the Special Vestry Meeting no later than Friday, January 15 at 3:00pm.**

The following motions will be considered:

*It is moved and seconded that St. James Cathedral approves proceeding with the replacement of the two retorts at St. James Cemetery and Crematorium at a cost of no more than two million dollars.*

*It is moved and seconded that St. James Cathedral give permission to its wardens to seek funding for the replacement of the two retorts at St. James Cemetery and Crematorium from the Diocese of Toronto, through a Financial Institution loan, internal sources or some combination.*

As discussed at Vestry 2020, the Cathedral relies on revenue generated by St. James Cemetery, particularly, the crematorium operated in the Chapel of St. James-the-Less. Cremation revenue is vital, not only to supporting the operation of the cemetery but also to the ministries of St. James Cathedral. The crematorium retorts – combustion chambers – are beyond the end of their service life and began to fail intermittently in 2019, leading to a complete shut down for several weeks in early 2020.

The Corporation and staff have developed a proposal to replace the retorts with new equipment in 2021. Approval in principle by a meeting of Vestry based on preliminary plans, a cost estimate and a method of financing is now required to proceed with final planning, completing financial arrangements and putting the project out to tender.

If approval is obtained, a second meeting of Vestry will be held to obtain final approval to execute the project based on final plans, actual cost as established by a tender or contract, method of financing and, particulars of a performance bond furnished by the contractor.

It is important that as many members of Vestry as possible participate in both meetings of Vestry.