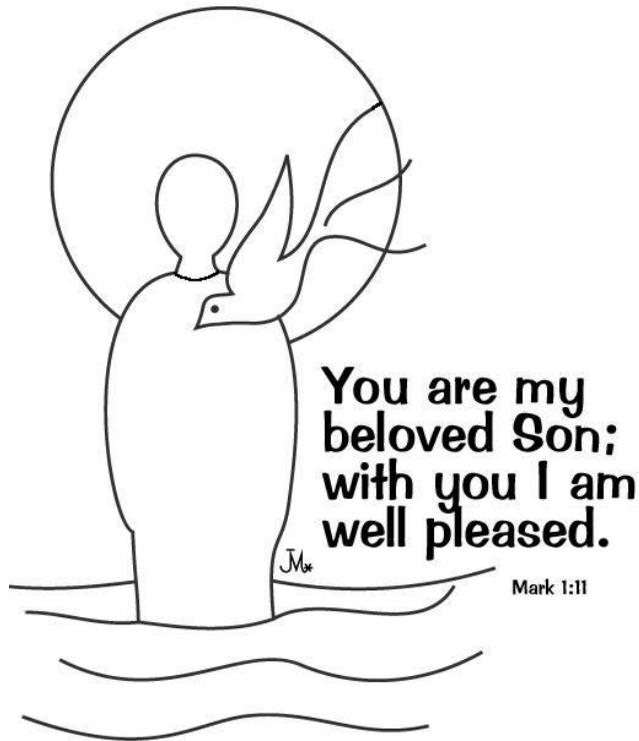


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 7, 2018

Holy Baptism & Sung Eucharist 10am

Welcome to St. John the Evangelist.

If you are unable to come forward to receive Communion, arrangements can be made for you receive Communion in your pew. Please speak with a Sidesperson at the entrance to the Church.

All children are welcome to Sunday School in the upper parish hall during the service.

We welcome through the waters of baptism today: Isla Mae Byington

HOLY BAPTISM & SUNG EUCHARIST ~ 10am

Hymns are from the blue Common Praise hymnbooks unless otherwise indicated

Prelude

Hymn 380

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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 also with you.

Presider: There is one body and one Spirit,

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Presider: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

People: One God and Father of all.

Collect of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Genesis 1:1-5

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29

Tune: St. Thomas

**Ascribe to God, you gods, ascribe glor-y and might;
ascribe the glory due his name, worship in holy light.**

**God's voice is on the deep, his thunder rolls on high;
the Lord is on the water-flood, God's voice a mighty cry.**

**God's voice breaks mighty trees, tall cedars of great worth;
they writhe and leap like mountain sheep,
God's voice shakes all the earth.**

**God's voice splits flames of fire, God's voice shakes desert sands;
God's voice makes oak trees shake, and strips
the leaves from forest stands.**

**Within God's temple all cry "Glory!" and adore;
The Lord sits throned above the flood as king forevermore.**

Second Reading

Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior 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.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 45 vv1-2

Holy Gospel

Mark 1:4-11

Gospeller: *The Lord be with you.*

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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.*

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

Gradual Hymn v3

Sermon

Presentation and Examination of Candidates

Presider: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Presenter: I present Isla Mae Byington to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Presider: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Answer: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Answer: I will, with God's help.

The presider asks the following questions of the parents and sponsors who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Answer: I do.

After all have been presented, the presider addresses the congregation.

Presider: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Isla in her life in Christ?

People: We will.

Presider: Let us now pray for Isla who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Litany

Leader: Deliver Isla, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

THE CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

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: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore

in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

Baptismal Covenant

Presider: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant. Do you believe in God the Father?

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: 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?

All: 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?

All: 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?

All: I will, with God's help.

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

All: I will, with God's help.

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

All: 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?

All: 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?

All I will, with God's help.

As the family moves to the font, all are invited to join in singing:

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia (repeat 3x's)

The Baptism

The presider pours water on the candidate, saying:

Isla Mae Byington, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The presider makes the sign of the cross with Chrism on the forehead of the newly baptized, saying:

I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own forever.

The presider prays over the newly baptized.

Presider: Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant Isla the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Giving of Light

A representative from the congregation give the newly baptized a lighted candle:

Presider: Receive the light of Christ to show that you have passed from darkness into light.

People: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Presider: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

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

People And also with you.

Offertory Hymn 35

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the gifts

Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your 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 pow'r and might.*

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna on high.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, hosanna on high.

Presider: 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.**

The Lord's Prayer (*sung*)

Breaking of the Bread

Presider: We break this bread, to share in the body of Christ.

All: We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Presider: The gifts of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Communion

Everyone who has been baptized is welcome to receive Holy Communion. In the Anglican tradition, receiving in one kind (either bread or wine) is considered to be complete Communion. *If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms over your chest as the chalice is offered.*

Hymns during Communion Red Song Book 44, 71, 53

Hymn after Communion 570

Prayer after Communion

Doxology

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The Blessing

Hymn 628

Dismissal

Postlude

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Catherine Ascah
Readers: Ruth Harris; Pat Willis
Litany: Trish Warren
Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis
Sidespeople: Beryl & Carl Young
Altar Guild: Kathy Porter & Trish Warren

**Everyone is invited to the Parish Hall following the service
to enjoy cake and fellowship, and to welcome the newly baptized!**

Readings for next Sunday, January 14
Second Sunday after the Epiphany
1 Samuel 3:1-10; Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

	Jan 14 – Second after the Epiphany
Readers:	Karen Bryan; Terry Dillabough
Intercessor:	Lois Dewey
Communion Assistants:	Kathy Porter; Ron Watt
Servers:	Kevin Lewis; Laura Porter; Ron Watt
Altar Guild:	Sue Pigeon; Doreen Watt
Sidespeople:	Lois Dewey; Rita B. Purcell
Video:	Paul Howard
Coffee Hour:	Group B

In our Parish we pray for:

Anne Barber, Heather, Paul, Riley, Helen, Margaret, Dan Burns, Betty, Faye, Lorna, Katie, Steve, Bill Burns, Bonnie, Barb, Brenda, Ron, Ken, Bill D., Stan, Sheila, Bob, Joan, Cohan, Ann R. Bothwell; John Irvine, Joan D., Brenda F., Stuart Hannaford.

Friends of the Parish we pray for:

Zachary, Peggy, Marilyn, Susan Niblock, Jacqui, Greg Russell, Dana Dean & family, Lorie Schurr, Chloe McCue, Michelle, Robert Apro, Debbie Pilon, Bonnie Bothwell, Sandra, Neena, Jutanie, Maureen Halpenny, Norma Wynn, Sherry, Darcy, Brandon, Richard, Leah, Crystal, Barry, Bernard, Sarah Telford, Valerie Kerr, Gyula Pasztor, Al Hay, Samantha, Sawyer, Donnie McConnell, Eileen C, Walter, Lionel, Kevin Rochon, Henry, Casey, Robyn.

Parishioners residing in retirement/nursing homes:

Bev Lannin, Cora Besley Marjorie Brooks, Fran Robinson, Charlie Edwards, Thelma Doherty, Shirley Row, Doreen Murray, Audrey Bennett, Marie Banford, Nancy Langdon, Eileen Thompson, Irene Anderson, Mary Thompson, Joyce Wiltsie, Joan Hart.

Prayer Calendar

In our Diocese we pray for:

The Right Reverend John Chapman, Bishop of Ottawa; The Reverend Geoff Chapman and the congregation of Church of the Epiphany, Gloucester.

This Week in the Parish		
Monday	AA, AI-ATeen, AI-Anon	8pm
Tuesday	ACW Group B Pint and a Passage (Café Whim)	2pm 7pm
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist ACW Group A	10am 7:30pm
Thursday	Choir Practice	7:30pm
Saturday	Holy Eucharist	5pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Envelopes

If you haven't already done so, please pick up your 2018 offering envelopes.

Pint & A Passage: Tuesday @ 7pm

Dig into the Gospel passage for the upcoming Sunday at the new weekly bible study to be held at *Café Whim* (on Russell St. W. in the Davidson Courtyard). Bring your bible, an inquiring mind and a willingness to wrestle with the text and what it may be saying to us today.

Community Dinner: Sunday January 21 – 2pm

Volunteers to help with the Community Dinner are always welcome. Or, simply come and eat as well! Meet some of our neighbours in town and enjoy hearty, home cooked food. This month, the congregation is asked to supply home baked (not store bought please) chocolate chip cookies. We need 16 dozen, so if you can contribute a batch, that would be wonderful. Please do not include any nuts in the recipe, due to allergies. To volunteer, provide cookies or for more information, please speak with Trish Warren. You can contact her at trishwarren19@gmail.com.

Vestry Reports

It is that time of year! Please submit your annual vestry reports to Louise in the office by **Mon Jan 29**. You can e-mail them to her at stjohns_smithsfalls@bellnet.ca or drop them off at the office.

Receiving Communion – An Important Notice from the Bishop

Everyone who has been baptized is welcome to receive communion. Communion is offered in both kinds, the bread and the wine. It is safe to drink from the common cup. However, ***please do not dip the bread into the wine***. The Bishop has stated that this practice is not allowed (Pastoral Letter of 2009 to all clergy and parishes.) The practice of *intinction*, dipping the bread in the wine, is a high risk activity; fingertips coming in direct contact with the wine may contaminate the shared wine with pathogens.

If you wish to receive on the bread or only the wine, please be assured that in the Anglican Tradition, receiving in one kind is considered to be complete communion. This is a departure from the practice for some, and so please feel free to approach Canon Catherine with any concerns you may have.

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Weekly Liturgies

Wednesday 10am – Holy Eucharist

Saturday 5pm – Holy Eucharist

Sunday 8am – Holy Eucharist; 10am* – Sung Eucharist

**Sunday School offered for children September - June*

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