

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
JANUARY 9 2022
ONLINE SERVICE

OPENING HYMN #45

'Down Galilee's Slow Roadways'

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant Let us pray.

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit, keep your children, born of water and the Spirit, faithful to their calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth-- everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

ISAIAH 43: 1-7

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church
People **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

'Halle Halle Hallelujah'

THE GOSPEL

Reader: The Lord be with you
People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to Luke.
People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be

the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

LUKE 3:15-17, 21-22

Reader : The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

'Halle Halle Hallelujah'

SERMON

The Rev'd Canon Lynne Thackwray

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 and the Son.
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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The response to "Lord in your mercy..." is "**Hear our prayer.**"*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners
and invites us to this 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.
All **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of life and freedom, we celebrate the revelation of Jesus as the Christ who makes all creation new. Accept all we offer you this day and make us new in him, who is Lord for ever and ever. **Amen**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Celebrant 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.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant 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.

People

**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 God, 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.

People

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say.

People **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 those who 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

Celebrant Creator of all,
you gave us golden fields of wheat,
whose many grains we have gathered
and made into this one bread.

All **So may your Church be gathered
from the ends of the earth
into your kingdom.**

THE COMMUNION

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYERS FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Celebrant For those worshipping with us online and who are
receiving Spiritual Communion we offer these prayers:

Dear friends,
I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be,
To receive Christ, in communion with the saints,
And the gathering of God's people,
Unseen and yet present with us now.
Many are made one.

Celebrant We receive you Lord Jesus Christ,

All: **we welcome your presence in us,
and together proclaim our love for you;
with our hearts, minds, souls and our strength,
with the saints we worship you,
with the angels we adore you,
with your whole Church
we proclaim your reign.
Come to us, though many,
and make us one in you. Amen.**

A time of silence is kept.

**Jesus, I believe that you are present with us
in the sacrament of bread and wine.**

**I love you and I desire your presence
afresh in my life.**

**Since I cannot now receive
the bread and wine of the altar,
come spiritually into my heart.**

**I embrace you and unite myself to you;
Never let me be separated from you. Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN #649

[‘Breathe on Me, Breath of God’](#)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, lover of all, by this sacrament you make us one family in Christ your Son, one in the sharing of his body and blood, one in the communion of his Spirit. Help us to grow in love for one another and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ. We ask this in his name. **Amen**

DOXOLOGY

Celebrant

Glory to God,

People

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

LION'S TALE

Tracey Croft

DISMISSAL

Leader

Go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People

Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN #385

[‘Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness’](#)

PRAYERS

St. Mark's Ministry Prayer Cycle:

We pray for the Wardens.



St. Mark's Cycle of Prayer:

Norm & Susan Allen; Michael, Stephanie & Ava Allen;
Marg Anderson; John & Donna Arsenault; Michael, Sharon & Kendra
Bailey

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the week ahead:

Johanna, Lee, Craig, Mindy, Leslie, Philip, Marion,
Alberta, Trina, Rob, Trish, Keith, Deacon Dr. Paul Bates, Denise,
Debbie, Teri, Anda, Pam, Inaam and family, Marilyn, Julie,
Gill, Lily, Pat, Dan, Yash, Sandra, John, Paul, Tina, Cynthia, Fred

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 62:1-5; I Cor 12:1-11; John 2:1-11

FOOD CUPBOARD

Happy New Year everyone. St. Mark's Food Cupboard saw 49 visits in December. Judging by the increased pricing in all goods, we are anticipating a busy 2022 at the Food Cupboard. Thank you for your continuing compassion and generosity. Donations can be dropped off Thursdays 11:45-12:45.

VESTRY REPORTS

Annual Vestry this year will be held on Sunday February 6, 2022. Vestry books will be prepared and posted on our website prior to the meeting. If you are responsible for a Vestry report, please send an email to the office with your report by Sunday January 23, 2022.

REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP

St. Mark's is helping to sponsor refugees from Afghanistan living in Tajikistan. They are the family of Fawad and Roya Sultani who live in Orangeville. The refugees are waiting for their medical checkup which is scheduled for late January. If all goes well, they may arrive in Canada sometime in February. This schedule during these difficult and challenging times may change, but we need to be ready for their arrival. The family here in Canada are trying to arrange for the following list of items that the refugees need to begin their life here:

- **Kitchen dishes**
- **Microwave**
- **Coffee table**
- **Dining table and chairs**
- **Pressure cooker**
- **Cooking set**
- **Bed**
- **Vacuum cleaner**
- **...anything else needed to start a new home would be appreciated.**

Please let us know through St. Mark's office (519) 941-0640 or office@saintmark.ca, what you have to offer and when you can drop it off at the church. Some of the larger items will have to wait until just before the family arrive in Canada. We will keep you informed with updates. Thank you in advance for your care and support as we continue to reach out in the name of Christ.

If you are interested in helping out and serving on our Refugee Committee, please email Archdeacon Peter Scott at rector@saintmark.ca

ADVENT TREE

This year we were able to serve 12 families in our community with a help over Christmas. Thank you for your support of this Outreach within our community.

BAZAAR

Thank you to all who cooked, baked, sewed, knitted, carved, created, and donated items for the Christmas Bazaar. We have raised \$996.05 for the Food Cupboard.

LUNCH AND LEARN

Sue Carson will be with us on Sunday, January 16, 2022, via Zoom, beginning at 11:00 a.m. for our first Lunch & Learn of 2022. Sue is the Chair of Climate Justice Niagara who will speaking about single use plastics and a motion from last year's Synod (AGM of the Diocese of Niagara) concerning greenhouse gas reduction. Sue is ready and willing to answer questions about items that we have that we don't know how to recycle (you can even could hold it up). She will also have advice on alternatives for plastic items.

The link for the Zoom meeting will be sent out on Sunday, January 16 in the Announcements email.

ST. MARK'S CHRONICLES

The newsletter is available online at: <https://saintmark.ca/resources>.

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

Thank you to all who contributed to the cost and preparation for over 130 Christmas lunches which were distributed and delivered on Christmas Day.

E-TRANSFERS

For those who have been asking, e-transfers sent to etransfer@saintmark.ca are now on auto deposit. No more security questions required!

ABOUT US

OFFICE HOURS

The office is closed, due to current restrictions.

We are still working remotely, Monday to Friday 9-12, and checking voicemail often, so if you have any needs, concerns, or questions, please email office@saintmark.ca or call 519-941-0640

There will be someone at the church on Fridays, between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., if you wish to drop anything off.

PRE-APPROVED GIVINGS

If you would like to switch over to PAG, Pre-Approved Giving, through your bank, please contact the office (office@saintmark.ca or (519) 941-0640) for more information.

E-TRANSFER Most banks offer an e-transfer service to their customers. You can email your e-transfer

to: etransfer@saintmark.ca



MAIL You can mail in your offering to the church by sending it to:

St. Mark's Anglican Church,
P.O. Box 22,
Orangeville, ON, L9W 2Z5

DROP OFF AT ST. MARK'S

Although the church office is closed, there will be someone at the church on Fridays, between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., if you wish to drop off your offering then.

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