

Welcome to

CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA

YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME



Andrea Mantegna, Baptism of Christ, ca. 1505

The Baptism of Our Lord

12 January 2025

9.30am Parish Eucharist

Setting: Christ Church Mass – Philip Matthias

CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA: YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME.

We gather to worship God and explore faith in Jesus, welcoming and celebrating the diverse St Kilda community.

In the next three to five years we aim:

- to grow an energetic and committed worshipping community.
- to provide an open, inclusive and welcoming space for everyone.
- to communicate a vibrant, joyful and loving faith.
- to build connections with the local community.
- to be faithful stewards of Church Square and its buildings.

Christ Church St Kilda Parish acknowledges the Yaluk-ut Weelam Clan of the Boon Wurrung with deep respect. We give thanks to God for their Elders, both past and present, and their continuing relationship to this land.

***Morning Prayer is said at 9.30am Monday to Thursday
in the St Michael Chapel.
All are welcome to help the vicar say his prayers!***

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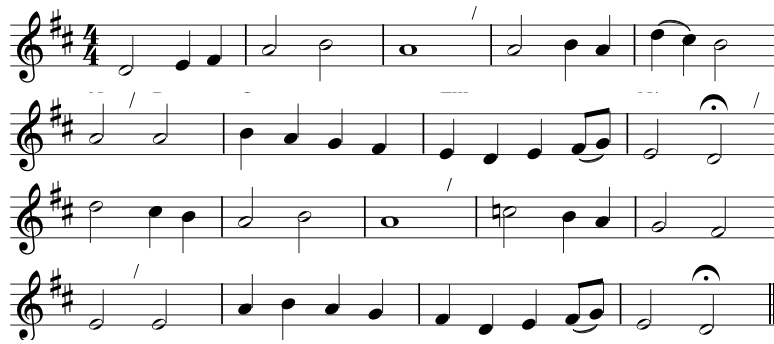
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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

All stand when the entrance bell is rung



**Come down, O Love divine,
seek now this soul of mine,
and visit it with your own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear
and kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.**

**There let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes, in its heat consuming;
and let your glorious light
shine ever on my sight
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.**

**Let holy charity
my outer garment be,
and lowliness become my inner clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part
and for its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.**

**And so the yearning strong
with which the soul will long
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace
till we become the place
in which the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.**

*Bianco da Siena d.1434 tr. Richard Frederick Littledale 1833–90 alt.
Music from the English Hymnal by permission Oxford University Press. TiS 398*

In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The celebrant introduces the service

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The first staff is labeled 'Organ' and begins with the lyrics 'Lord, have _ mer - cy,'. The second staff continues with 'Lord, have _ mer - cy, /' and includes a *mp* dynamic marking. The third staff continues with 'Christ, have _ mer - cy, Christ, have _ mer - cy,'. The fourth staff continues with 'Christ, have _ mer - cy.' and 'mf Lord, have _ mer - cy,', with an *acresc.* marking under the first part. The fifth staff concludes with 'Lord, have _ mer - cy, mp Lord, have _ mer - cy.' and features a crescendo line under the final phrase.

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations. Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our Maker and our Judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Organ *f* Glo - ry to God in the
high-est, and peace to God's people on earth, *mf* Lord God,
heav'n - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we
cresc. wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your
cresc. glo - ry. *mp* Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us: you are
seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: *p* re -
- ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One:
cresc. you a-lone are the Lord: you a-lone are the
Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
ff in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The celebrant reads the prayer of the day

Eternal God, at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: grant that all who are baptised into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Saviour; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

43.1-7

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 Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, 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.'

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Psalm 29

Repeat the response after the cantor and as indicated



The Lord will bless his _____ peo - ple with peace.

O give the Lord, you children of God,
give the Lord glory and power;
give the Lord the glory of his name.

Adore the Lord in his holy court. **Response**

The Lord's voice resounding on the waters,
the Lord on the immensity of waters:
the voice of the Lord, full of power,
the voice of the Lord, full of splendour. **Response**

The God of glory thunders.
In his temple they all cry: 'Glory!'
The Lord sat enthroned over the flood;
the Lord sits as king for ever. **Response**

tr. The Grail (1983). TiS 17

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

8:14-17

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

All stand. Repeat the response after the cantor, and then as indicated



Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

John said: He who is to come is mightier than I;
he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

3:15-17, 21-22

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.'

For the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

All sit

Sermon – Fr Glenn Loughrey

All stand

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who 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.**

All kneel or sit

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

After each prayer

...hear our prayer

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers. **Grant that what we have asked in faith, we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

All stand

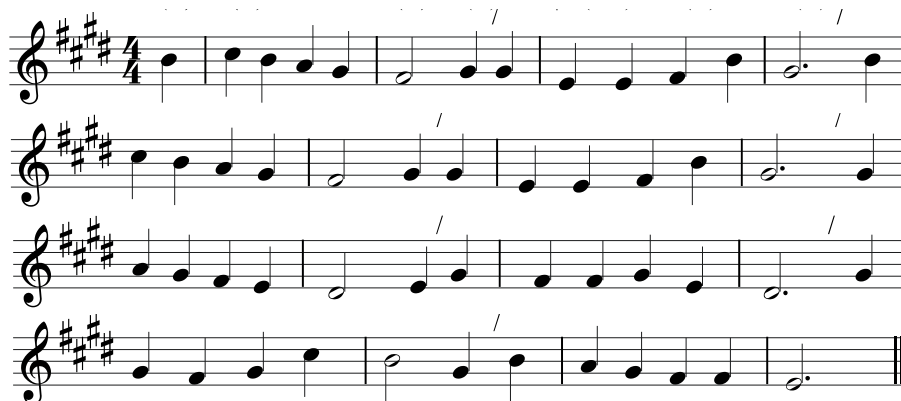
We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The altar is prepared and a collection is taken as all sing:



**Hail to the Lord's anointed,
great David's greater Son;
hail, in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
to let the captive free,
and take away transgression,
and rule in equity.**

**He comes with help and mercy
to those who suffer wrong,
to raise the poor and needy,**

**and bid the weak be strong,
to give them songs for sighing,
their darkness turn to light,
whose souls condemned and dying
were precious in his sight.**

**He shall come down like showers
upon the fruitful earth,
and love, joy, hope, like flowers,
spring in his path to birth;
before him on the mountains
shall peace the herald go,
and righteousness in fountains
from hill to valley flow.**

**Kings shall fall down before him,
and gold and incense bring;
all nations shall adore him,
his praise all people sing;
to him shall prayer unceasing
and daily vows ascend;
his kingdom still increasing,
a kingdom without end.**

**O'er every foe victorious,
he on his throne shall rest,
from age to age more glorious,
all blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never
his covenant remove;
his name shall stand for ever,
that name to us is love.**

James Montgomery 1771–1854 alt. TiS 275

The response to the Offertory Prayers is:
Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues.... praising you and singing:

Organ *mf* Ho - ly, Ho - ly,
Ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est.
mf Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. *f* Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Organ *mf* Christ has died, Christ is ris - en,
f Christ will come a - gain.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues.... never-ending praise:

Organ *f* Bless - ing and hon - our and
glo - ry and power are ___ yours for ev - er and ev-er. A - men.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

**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 for ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION

We who are many are one body:
For we all share in the one bread.

Organ *mp* Je - sus, ___ Lamb of God, have
mer - cy ___ on us. Je - sus, ___ bear - er of our ___ sins, have
mer - cy ___ on us. Je - sus, re-deem - er of the ___ world,
grant us your peace, *p* grant us ___ your peace.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

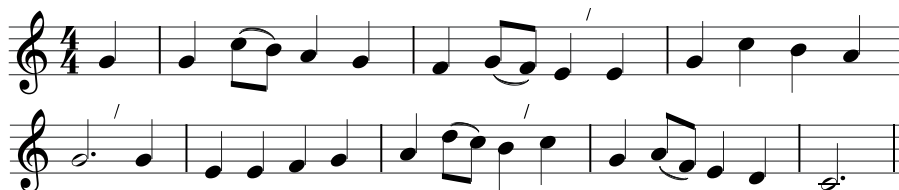
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Communicant members of any church are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you would prefer a blessing, indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Communion is offered in both kinds. Please queue to receive the host (bread) first, and then the wine if you wish. All are welcome to receive the wine, but none must, as the sacrament is fully present in both species. PLEASE DO NOT INTINCT (DIP) THE HOST IN THE WINE as studies suggest this may be less hygienic than drinking from the common cup.

After communion all stand

God of the nations, we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament. Guide us by your presence, that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness, and establish your justice in all the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE



**Christ, when for us you were baptized,
God's Spirit on you came,
as peaceful as a dove, and yet
as urgent as a flame.**

**God called you his beloved Son,
called you his servant true:
sent you his kingdom to proclaim,
his holy will to do.**

**Straightway and steadfast until death
you then obeyed his call,
freely as Son of Man to serve
and give your life for all.**

**Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord,
your cross on us be signed,
that likewise in God's service we
may perfect freedom find.**

Francis Bland Tucker 1895–1984

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Announcements are made

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love.
**Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit.**

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

*All are welcome for Morning Tea in the Community Centre
following the service.*

NOTICES

ROSTER FOR JANUARY

Date	1st Reading	2nd Reading	Intercessions	Eucharistic Assistant	Offertory
12 th January	Geoffrey	Sandra	Fr Ken	Valerie	Charles
19 th January	Bob	Valerie	Fr Craig	Elisabeth	Gary
26 th January	Sandra	Lindy	Geoffrey	Geoffrey	Valerie

DIARY DATES

*Saturday 18 January – Confession of St Peter
Eucharist at 9.30am*

*Saturday 25 January – Conversion of St Paul
Eucharist at 9.30am*

*Sunday 2 February – The Presentation of Christ in the Temple
Parish Eucharist with Blessing of Candles at 9.30am*

Study Groups at CCSK 2024

Sundays in Lent – the Anglican Prayer Book Tradition (Fr Craig)

Fridays in Lent – Title TBC (Fr Ken)

Sundays in May – An Introduction to the Trinity (Fr Craig)

Sundays in July – Title TBC (Fr Glenn)

Sundays in August/September – The first letter to Timothy (Fr Craig)

Sundays in Advent – An Introduction to Mathew (Fr Craig)

INTERCESSIONS

For the World:

For an end to political and military violence in the more than thirty countries currently in conflict; praying for the people of Palestine, Lebanon and Israel, Ukraine and Russia, and for political stability in Korea and Syria, those recovering from fires in California.

For the Church:

In the world-wide Community of Faith, we pray for the Church of the province of West Africa (Bp Cyril Kobina Ben-Smith). In Australia we pray for the diocese of Newcastle (Bp Peter Stuart) and in this diocese: for Abp Philip Freier as he prepares for retirement, and for the members of the Board of Nominators as they prepare for next year's election synod, also for the Parish of St John Chrysostom, Brunswick West (Michael Flynn).

For the Community:

For the economically deprived and the homeless.

For the anxious, the isolated, and those overcome by fear.

For Christ Church Mission and the Community Centre staff and volunteers.

For the Sick: Josie, Bp Keith Rayner, Judy, Hugh, Lee, Mary, Robyne, Sarah & for those we name in our hearts.

Also remembering those with long-term needs for prayer: Danny Allan, Patty Dowd, John, Joe, Charles, Byron, Aaron, Helen, Fr Andrew, Evan, Ruth, Fran, Peter, Greg and Sharyn and family.

For the Departed:

those who have died recently, and those whose Year's Mind occurs this week: Joe Ranieri.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord & let light perpetual shine upon them.

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Please provide us with your phone number and/or email address so that we can get in touch and get to know you better. Tear off this form and hand it to the vicar or one of the welcomers.

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