



# BAPTISM OF CHRIST



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## CALENDAR

- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 Eucharist  
10:30 Home Communion  
19:30 Choir Practice
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>** 19:30 Churches Together at Baptist Church (on street crime)
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup>** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins  
13:00 Funeral of Ann Rennard
- Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>** 12:00 Community Kitchen
- Epiphany 3** (white)
- Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>** 10:00 Parish Eucharist

## HYMNS

### Prcessional

90 Come down, O love Divine

### Gradual

401 On Jordan's Bank

### Offertory

392 O thou who camest

### Choir:

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

### Communion

69 Breathe on me

### Recessional

532 We have a Gospel

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## NOTICES

We are warmly invited to join other local Christian congregations at a Churches Together meeting to be held at 19:30 on Thursday 17th January at the Baptist Church on 13 Hilton Place LS8, to discuss street crime in our area and to pray over some initiatives in the pipeline.

We are looking for **NEW VOLUNTEERS** for our Community Kitchen to help once a month or every two months – no cooking skills are required. We also need a driver with a van or a capable car to collect from our donors every other Friday from 12:30 to 15:00. Please see Emily Forbes.

Find us on **TWITTER** (username above); visit our **WEBSITE** for photos, information and a "Donate" button for when you feel moved to help.

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## COLLECT

Eternal Father, Who at the baptism of Jesus revealed Him to be Your Son, anointing Him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as Your adopted children; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, Who is alive and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

### **FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:1-7**

<sup>1</sup>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.  
<sup>2</sup>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.  
<sup>3</sup>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.  
<sup>4</sup>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.  
<sup>5</sup>Do not fear, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you;  
<sup>6</sup>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—  
<sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made."

### **SECOND READING: Acts 8:14-17**

<sup>14</sup>When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup>The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup>(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). <sup>17</sup>Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

### **GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22**

<sup>15</sup>As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup>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. <sup>17</sup>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."

<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup>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."

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