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Please note that the wearing of a **face-covering** is now required by law in all places of worship for anyone aged 12 or over unless there is a reason for exemption. All our services and meetings remain under review and may need to be changed at short notice.

Sunday 9th January 2022 (Baptism of Christ)

- 8.00am Holy Communion at Christ Church**
- 9.30am Holy Communion at St John's**
- 11.00am Morning Worship at Christ Church**

Meetings this week

Saturday 15th January 10.00am Coffee Morning at St John's Church Hall

Sunday 16th January 2022 (2nd after Epiphany)

- 8.00am Holy Communion at Christ Church**
- 9.30am Holy Communion at St John's**
- 11.00am Holy Communion at Christ Church**

COFFEE MORNING

We are trialling twice-monthly Saturday morning Coffee Mornings in the Church Hall at St John's. The initial dates for these are 15th & 29th January and 12th & 26th February from 10.00 until around 11.30am. Everybody is welcome for coffee (or tea) and a chat.

REFUEL

The next *6.00 Service: Refuel* will be on **Sunday 23rd January** (at 6.00pm!) at Christ Church. Do come along for an hour of peaceful reflection, prayer and worship.

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Baptism of Christ

Collect

Heavenly Father,
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:
may we recognize him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Isaiah 43.1-7

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

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29

1 Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
2 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name;
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders;
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation;
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf
and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the forests bare;
in his temple all cry, 'Glory!'
- 9 The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.
- 10 The Lord shall give strength to his people;
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Acts 8.14–17

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

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Luke 3.15–17, 21–22

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² 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.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.