

Sunday 9th. January, 2022 11.00 am

The Third Sunday after Christmas - Baptism of the Lord

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Welcome & Intimations

Call to Worship

Hymn 625 O thou who camest from above

- 1 O thou who camest from above
The pure celestial fire to impart,
Kindle a flame of sacred love
On the mean altar of my heart!
- 2 There let it for thy glory burn
With inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source return,
In humble prayer and fervent praise.
- 3 Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
To work, and speak, and think for thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up thy gift in me-
- 4 Ready for all thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat,
Till death thy endless mercies seal,
And make the sacrifice complete.

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Scripture Sentence

Opening Prayer

Merciful God,
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 and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways
to the glory of your holy name. AMEN.

Children's Address

Hymn 636 Baptised in water,

- 1 Baptised in water,
sealed by the Spirit
cleansed by the blood of Christ our king;
heirs of salvation,
trusting his promise -
faithfully now God's praise we sing.
- 2 Baptised in water,
sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ our king;
one with his rising,
freed and forgiven
thankfully now God's praise we sing.

3 Baptised in water,
 sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our king;
 born of one Father,
 we are his children -
joyfully now God's praise we sing.

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St. Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Anthem

Sermon

Musical Interlude

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.**

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for
ever. Amen.**

Hymn 739 The Church's one foundation

1 The Church's one foundation
 is Jesus Christ her Lord;
 she is his new creation

by water and the word;
from heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

2 Called forth from every nation,
 yet one o'er all the earth,
 her charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
and shares one holy food,
as to one hope she presses
with every grace endued.

3 In toil and tribulation,
 and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great Church victorious
shall be the Church at rest.

4 Yet she on earth has union
 with God the three in One,
and mystical sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
with them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

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Benediction

Choral Amen (3-fold.)

