

testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Reader The word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn 162 Sing of God Made Manifest (v1,2)

The Holy Gospel – Matthew 3: 13-17

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Gradual Hymn 162 Sing of God made Manifest (v3,4)

Homily The Rev Bonnie Skerritt

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Offertory Hymn: Sing#2 Longing For Light (*Christ be our light!*)

1) Longing for light, we wait in the darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see. **Refrain**

Refrain: Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light!
Shine in your Church gathered today.

2) Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice. **Refrain**

3) Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. **Refrain**

4) Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. **Refrain**

5) Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come. **Refrain**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer Over the Gifts

Celebrant 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.**

Eucharistic Prayer #3 page 198

Preface Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the holy people who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name

Holy, Holy, Holy (*sung*) CP #735

The Lord's Prayer page 211

Breaking of the Bread #6 page 213

Jesus, Lamb of God (*sung*) CP #747

Celebrant Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

All **Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world,
Give us your peace, give us your peace.

Hymns during Communion

Hymn # 101 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Hymn # 74 For the Bread Which you Have Broken

Hymn # 649 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Prayer after Communion

All: 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.

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 387 All Praise to Thee.



Announcements

Save The Date...Next Session with Fresh Start for Parishes will be **Jan 22**, after the service 11.00 am – 2pm. The theme will be "The Journey Ahead". **Final Session** will be **Sat Feb 11**, from 9am-2pm; The theme for this session will be "Creating Our Road Map". A snow date of Sunday 12th has been planned if necessary.

