



The Baptism of Christ 13 January 2019



“I have called you by name; you are mine.” Isaiah 43:1

This morning's music

669 Songs of thankfulness and praise (omitting v.4)
676 Stand up and bless the Lord
589 On Jordan's banks the Baptist's cry
120 Come down O love divine*
628 Praise to the Lord

**Accompanied by Christopher Ashfield (piano), Jack Helliwell (violin) and Iona Norwood (viola)*

This morning's readings and prayers

Isaiah 43.1-7 (reader: Barbara Purvis); Psalm 29;

Acts 8.14-17 (reader: Pam Race);

Luke 3.15-17,21,22 (Gospeller: Opal Walsh)

Intercessor: Jenny Black

Prayer in the silence after communion

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.

Collect for the Baptism of Christ

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.

Gospel acclamation Reader: Alleluia, alleluia. This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.

Response: **Alleluia.**

Post Communion: Baptism of Christ

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.

Next Sunday, Third Sunday of Epiphany

Nehemiah 8.1-3,5-6,8-10 (reader: Leslie Fletcher); Psalm 29; **1 Corinthians 12.12-31a** (reader: Trena Radcliffe); **Luke 4.14-21** (Gospeller: Helen Reid); Intercessor: Opal Walsh

Tea and coffee are served in the Community Hall after the Sunday morning service

Thanks to all who helped with yesterday's café concert. Next café concert on 9 February.

This week and further ahead

- Tuesday 15 January 7.30pm Evening Prayer followed at 8.00pm by Book Group meeting; this month's book is Flaubert's classic *Madame Bovary*, one of the most influential literary works in history according to Wikipedia.
- Thursday 17 January 10.00am Holy Communion (in the Vestry)
- Monday 21 January 7.30pm at St Nick's: Ecumenical Taizé Evening Prayer for the Week of Prayer for Christian unity
- Friday 25 January Burns Night Party and meal. Tickets from Trena. Vegetarian option available.
- Sunday 27 January 2.30pm organ recital by Roger Nichols.
- Thursday 21 February 10.00am Holy Communion with Bishop Mark Davies. At this service Mark (Hewerdine) will be installed as Rector of St Chad's. Refreshments afterwards.
- Sunday 3 March 6.30pm Full Choral Evensong with the MAIA Singers of Stockport.

Much further ahead

- Sunday 7 April Annual Parish Meetings following the Parish Communion
- Monday 8 April Hall refurbishment begins, lasting for four weeks

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