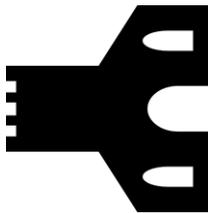


# CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Peterborough's Oldest Church—Established 1826  
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## The Baptism of the Lord January 13, 2019—10:00 a.m.

*Welcome.*

*This church is a place of prayer and encounter with God. The stones of these walls have sheltered people seeking the presence of the Holy One for almost two centuries. This place of worship has been made hallowed by the prayers of generations and you are welcome to join your heart and voice to theirs.*

*St John's is an inclusive community of faith in the Anglican tradition: we welcome saints and sinners, people of faith and of no faith, people who are sure they know everything and those who are full of questions. Men and women may share equally in the life and leadership of our church and we worship with and serve people of different ethnicities, politics, gender expressions, economic circumstances, and abilities. This church belongs to God, so all of God's children are welcome here.*

*We acknowledge that we are in Nogojiwanong, the traditional territory of the Mississauga Anishinaabe, adjacent to the territory of the Haudenosaunee, on whose land and by whose waters we gather by the Williams Treaty to worship, listen, learn, share, and heal together in the name of our Creator, the Holy One of Blessing.*

*The hymns are found in the blue hymn book Common Praise in the pew racks.*

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

**Prelude** Variations on Let All Together Praise our God by D. Buxtehude

*Please stand as the hymn begins.*

**Hymn** 163—When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known Breslau

### **Introit**

*Choir* A voice came from heaven, saying, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased."

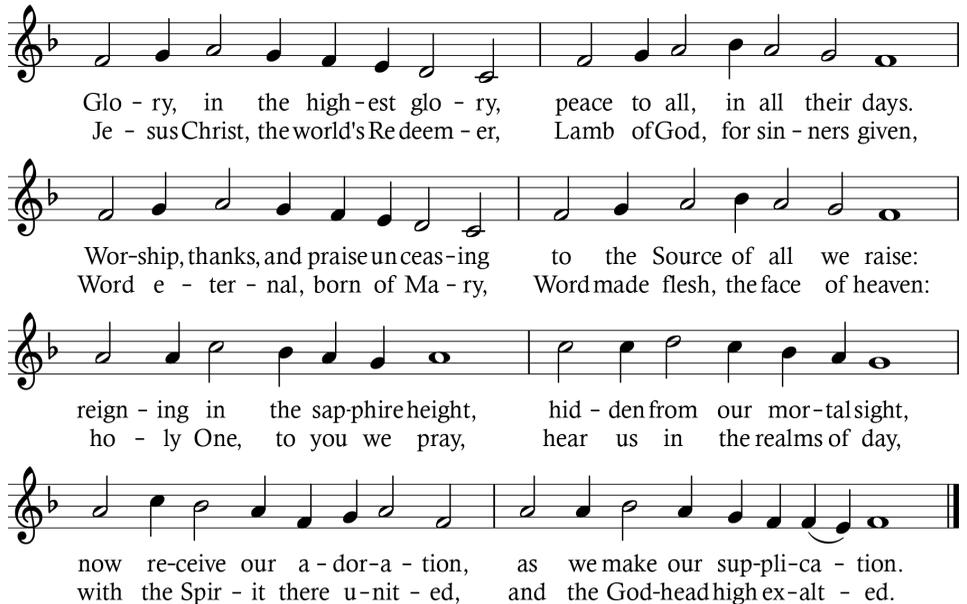
### **The Greeting**

*Presider* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

*People* **And also with you.**

### **Gloria in Excelsis**

Hymn 366



Glo - ry, in the high - est glo - ry, peace to all, in all their days.  
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re deem - er, Lamb of God, for sin - ners given,

Wor - ship, thanks, and praise un ceas - ing to the Source of all we raise:  
Word e - ter - nal, born of Ma - ry, Word made flesh, the face of heaven:

reign - ing in the sap - phire height, hid - den from our mor - tal sight,  
ho - ly One, to you we pray, hear us in the realms of day,

now re - ceive our a - dor - a - tion, as we make our sup - pli - ca - tion.  
with the Spir - it there u - nit - ed, and the God - head high ex - alt - ed.

### **Collect of the Day**

*Please sit at the conclusion of the prayer.  
Children may leave for Sunday School.*

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### First Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7 (OT 672)

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm

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*The choir sings the verses. The congregation joins in the refrain (R).*



Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. **R**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters. The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice, the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour. **R**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon; he makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox. **R**

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!" **R**

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore. The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace. **R**

### Second Reading

Acts 8:14-17 (NT 126)

*Reader* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as the music begins.*

**Hymn** 162—Sing of God Made Manifest

Salzburg

*The readings can be found in the Bibles on the book racks at either entrance. The page numbers are in brackets and indicate Old Testament (OT) and New Testament (NT).*

## Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Gospel

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (NT 60)

*Storyteller* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Storyteller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*The Congregation sits as the Gospel is told through Biblical Storytelling.*

*Storyteller* The Gospel of Christ.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Please be seated after the prayer that begins the sermon.*

## Sermon

*A silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

## Prayers of the People

*Please stand when the music begins.*

**Hymn** 165—Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering **Rendez à Dieu**

## Thanksgiving over the Water

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*If you missed part of the sermon or would like to listen to it again, it will be posted on our website in the Worship section.*

*The Prayers of the People are offered by members of the congregation. They reflect the needs and concerns of the local church and community, and of people in various kinds of need, sickness, or adversity throughout the world.*

*Water is poured into the font to be blessed. We baptise with water because John baptised Jesus in the River Jordan*

*Presider* We give you thanks, almighty God and Father, for by the gift of water you nourish and sustain all living things.

*All* **Blessed be God for ever.**

*Presider* We give you thanks that through the waters of the Red Sea, you led your people out of slavery to freedom in the promised land.

*All* **Blessed be God for ever.**

*Presider* We give you thanks for sending your Son Jesus. For us he was baptized by John in the river Jordan. For us he was anointed as Christ by your Holy Spirit. For us he suffered the baptism of his own death and resurrection, setting us free from the bondage of sin and death, and opening to us the joy and freedom of everlasting life.

*All* **Blessed be God for ever.**

*Presider* We give you thanks for your Holy Spirit who teaches us and leads us into all truth, filling us with his gifts so that we might proclaim the gospel to all nations and serve you as a royal priesthood.

*All* **Blessed be God for ever.**

*Presider* We give you thanks that you have called us to new life through the waters of baptism. Now sanctify this water, that your servants who are washed in it may be made one with Christ in his death and resurrection, to be cleansed and delivered from all sin. Anoint us with your Holy Spirit as we come together as the family of your Church, that we may become inheritors of your glorious kingdom. We give you praise and honour and worship through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

*All* **Blessed are you, our strength and song, and our salvation.**

### **Renewal of the Baptismal Covenant**

*Presider* Let us join our voices to all those who have committed themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Father?

*All* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Presider* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
*All* **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
*All* **I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*Presider* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?  
*All* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?  
*All* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?  
*All* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?  
*All* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?  
*All* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?  
*All* **I will, with God's help.**

### **Concluding Prayer and Asperges**

*The clergy will sprinkle the congregation with the blessed water from the font as a symbol of the renewal of our baptism.*

## The Peace

*Please turn to the people around you and exchange a sign of God's peace.*

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn 442—Great God, Your Love Has Called St Petersburg

### Prayer over the Gifts

#### Eucharistic Prayer

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*Presider* The Lord be with you. *People* And also with you.

*Presider* Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Presider* Blessed are you gracious God...  
...to proclaim the glory of your name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est.

*The Peace is exchanged with a handshake or similar greeting with those immediately around us as a symbol of our reconciliation with our neighbour before approaching the altar. It is not necessary to move from one's place.*

*At the Offertory, gifts of bread and wine, signs of the fruit of human labour, are brought to the altar to be transformed into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, signs of God's love for the world.*

*The offering plate is passed for the money offering, a sign of our gratitude for God's blessing of our lives. Money may be offered as cash or cheque—if placed in an envelope (visitors' envelopes are in the pews), tax receipts are issued for donations of twenty dollars or more.*

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na in the high-est.

*Presider* We give thanks to you, Lord our God...  
...Therefore, Father, according to his command,

*All* **we remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory;**

*Presider* and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving...  
...and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your  
name, your king-dom come, your will be done on  
earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai - ly bread. For-  
give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a - gainst us.  
Save us from the time of trial and de - liv-er us from  
e - vil, for the king - dom, the pow'r, and the glo - ry are yours,  
now and for ev - er.

## Breaking of the Bread

*Presider* We break the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.

*All* **God here among us,  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

*Presider* The gifts of God for the People of God.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## Fraction Anthem

Hymn 481 (Servant Song)

May the grace of Christ our Sav - iour,  
Thus may we a - bide in un - ion  
To the God whose wis - dom made us,  
and the Fa - ther's bound - less love, with the Ho - ly  
with each oth - er and the Lord, and pos - sess in  
to the Son who set us free, to the sanc - ti -  
Spi - rit's fav - our, rest up - on us from a - bove.  
sweet com - mun - ion joys which earth can - not af - ford.  
fy - ing Spi - rit, glo - ry, end - less glo - ry, be!

## Communion

Song: Spirit of Gentleness (see insert)

## Anthem

“May the Grace of Christ our Savior” by Simon Lole

*May the grace of Christ our Savior, and the Father's boundless love,  
with the Holy Spirit's favour, rest upon us from above.*

*Thus may we abide in union, with each other and the Lord, and  
possess, in sweet communion, joys which earth cannot afford.*

*To the God whose wisdom made us, to the Son who set us free, to the  
sanctifying Spirit, glory, endless glory be!*

*Jesus is the Host who invites us to share his Table. All those who are baptised in any tradition are welcome to receive **Communion** in both bread and wine. Please come forward to receive Communion as invited by the Sidespeople.*

*If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please cross your arms in front of your chest.*

*Communion may be received at either the Nave Altar by standing around the lowest level of the chancel steps or in the Chapel by kneeling at the rail. If you are unable to come to receive*

*Communion, please indicate so to a Sidesperson, who will direct the Communion minister to come to you.*

*If you require gluten-free bread, please ask the Communion minister. Please do not dip the bread into the wine.*

*After making your Communion, please return to your seat to pray in silence.*

# COMMISSIONING AND SENDING

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## Announcements

*Please stand at the conclusion of the announcements..*

*Having been fed with the  
spiritual food of our Lord,  
we now **prepare to be**  
**sent** into the world to  
share the light and life of  
God.*

## Prayer after Communion

*Presider* All your works praise you, O Lord,  
*All* and your faithful servants bless you.  
**Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
May we, who share his body, live his risen life;  
we, who drink his cup, bring life to others;  
we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so that we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Blessing

*The Presider offers the blessing; the congregation responds, “Amen.”*

**Hymn 45—Down Galilee’s Slow Roadways**    *Wie Lieblich ist der Maien*

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.



Thanks be to God, thanks be to God, thanks be to God, al-le - lu - ia!



Thanks be to God, thanks be to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

## Postlude

Toccatina and fugue in F by D. Buxtehude

*All are welcome to remain after the celebration for a time  
of refreshment and fellowship in the Guild Hall.*

## Liturgical Ministers

Presider	The Rev. Mary Bell-Plouffe
Preacher	The Rev. Canon Brad Smith
Deacon	The Rev. Deb Wilson
Organist	Julie Deck
Biblical Storyteller	Ellen Seddon
Sacrist	Eric Vreugdenhil
Crucifer	Bobby Kelly
Server	Fin Dinesen
Readers	Ian Storey and Juliet Franczyk
Intercessor	Ellen Seddon
Nave Chalice	Matthew Harvey and Ellen Seddon
Chapel Chalice	Ray March and AJ Trossman
Elements and Offering	Ralph and Marg Tippet
Offering	Kathy Werling and Alyson Lockwood
Greeters	Walter and Mary Howell
Sidespeople	Team 2, captain Ralph Tippet
Chancel Guild	Joan Duncan and Peggy Kruger
Sunday School	Andrew and Beth Vreugdenhil

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The Rev. Canon Brad Smith  
*Rector*

The Rev. Mary Bell-Plouffe  
The Rev. Terry Noble  
*Associate Priests*

The Rev. Christian Harvey  
The Rev. Bev Thompson  
The Rev. Deb Wilson  
*Deacons*

The Rev. Ruth Adams  
The Rev. John Runza  
The Rev. Steve Smith  
*Honorary Assistants*

Ms Julie Deck  
*Director of Music*

Mr Walter Howell  
Mr Jim Weldon  
*Churchwardens*

Mrs Mickey Bongers  
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# Welcome!

## **Children's Ministry**

We welcome children and youth. They are welcome to remain with you to worship and do not have to remain perfectly still and quiet! Please feel free to allow them to roam if they wish. An activity centre is provided in the Chapel for those who wish to use it. For children who are not yet of school age, there is a professional child care provider staffing our Nursery, which is at the end of the hallway past the washrooms. For school age children, we offer a weekly Sunday School from September to June where kids hear the same Bible readings as in the worship service and engage in activities that are designed to teach the faith.

## **On Posture in Worship**

It is customary that we stand to pray and sing and sit to hear God's Word proclaimed and interpreted. Some people prefer to kneel to pray. Please adopt the posture that helps you to worship.

## **Visitor's Cards**

Please do take the time to complete a visitor's card, which can be found in the pocket at the aisle end of your pew. We would love the opportunity to stay in touch with you.

## **Assistive Hearing Devices**

If you are hard of hearing, headsets to assist you to hear the service are available. Please ask a Greeter or Sidesperson (usher) to assist you in finding and operating a headset.

## **Accessibility**

The facility is entirely accessible through the Brock St entrance. There are three accessible parking spots in the upper lot off Brock St. The church is level with the Brock St entrance and all other levels of the facility are accessible via elevator.

## **Washrooms/Change Table**

Fully accessible washrooms are located down the hall to the right as you enter the lobby from Brock St. A change table is in the nursery at the end of the hall.

## **Fragrances**

We ask that you refrain from wearing strong fragrances in order to accommodate those with breathing sensitivities.