

Recessional Hymn #570 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

Lord, dismiss us with your blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace;
O refresh us, O refresh us,
travelling through the wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration
for the gospel's joyful sound;
may the fruits of your salvation
in our hearts and lives abound;
may your presence, may your presence,
with us evermore be found.

Announcements

Blessing and Dismissal

Sung grace before fellowship (*tune: My bonnie lies over the ocean*)

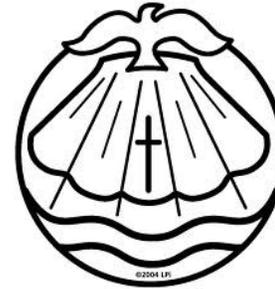
We gather to ask for your blessing
We gather to thank you in prayer.
Please bless all this food we are sharing
And keep us in your tender care.

Keep us - keep us - oh, keep us in your tender care,
Keep us - keep us - oh, keep us in your tender care.

Parish of Stafford-Whitewater

The Birth of Saint John the Baptist
with Baptism *June 24, 2018*

HOLY EUCHARIST



10 a.m. Joint Parish Service
St. Paul's, Cobden

Incumbent: The Rev. L. Wheeler

Opening Sentence: You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way.
(*Luke 1:76*)

Hymn #37 *We'll Sing in the Morning*

We'll sing in the morning a song of creation,
of your breath that stirs up the waters to birth;
and here at the fount of Christ's mercy we join you,
co-heirs of heaven and stewards of your gracious earth.

We'll sing in the noontime a song of redemption,
how Naaman was cleansed in the flow of your grace;
how, when we were sick, in our sin you released us to laugh in
health and dance in love before your face.

We'll sing in the evening a song of your pastures, of rivers that
gladden the city of God; and when we arrive on the bank of our
Jordan, you'll help us through its cold by fords
your saints have trod.

The Gathering of the Community

(*Priest*) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. (*All*) **And also with you.**

(*P*) Almighty God, (*All*) **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may**

perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect

The Proclamation of the Word:

Reading: *Isaiah 40:1-11*

Psalm 85:7-13

Show us your mercy, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking
peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to
him.

Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace
have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall
look down from heaven.

The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield
its increase.

Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway
for his feet.

Reading: *Acts 13:14b-26*

Proclamation of the Gospel: Luke 1:57-80 Reflection

Presentation and Examination

(P) The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

***(Parents/Sponsors) I present Cormac Carneige Munro to receive
the sacrament of baptism.*** *(P) Will you be responsible for seeing
that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the
Christian community?*

(P/S) I will, with God's help.

*(P) Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into
the full stature of Christ?*

(P/S) I will, with God's help.

*(P) Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness
that rebel against God? ***(P/S) I renounce them.****

*(P) Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and
destroy the creatures of God? ***(P/S) I renounce them.****

*(P) Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of
God? ***(P/S) I renounce them.****

*(P) Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?
(P/S) I do.*

*(P) Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love? ***(P/S) I do.****

*(P) Do you promise to obey him as your Lord? ***(P/S) I do.****

Prayers for the Candidate

*(P) Let us now pray for Cormac Carneige Munro who is to receive
the sacrament of new birth, those affirming their baptism and for all
the baptized everywhere, saying "Lord, hear our prayer."*

*(P) Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death. ***(All) Lord,
hear our prayer.****

*(P) Open their hearts to your grace and truth. ***(All) Lord, hear our
prayer.****

*(P) Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit. ***(All) Lord, hear
our prayer.****

*(P) Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit. ***(All) Lord,
hear our prayer.****

*(P) Send them into the world in witness to your love. ***(All) Lord, hear
our prayer.****

*(P) Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory. ***(All) Lord,
hear our prayer.****

*(P) Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus
Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for
him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.
Amen.*

The Celebration of Baptism: Thanksgiving over the Water

*Blessing of the water: (P) The Lord be with you. ***(All) And also with
you.*** (P) Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ***(All) It is right to
give our thanks and praise.****

*(P) We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water
the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water
you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the
land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of
John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ,*

to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

(P) Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

(P) Do you believe in God the Father? ***(All)* I believe in God, The Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

(P) 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.**

(P) 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.**

(P) 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.**

(P) 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.**

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

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

(P) 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.**

(P) 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.**

The Baptism

(P) Cormac Carneige Munro, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

(P) Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.

The Giving of the Light *The priest gives to the newly baptized a lighted candle, saying, "Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light."*

When the candle has been received, (All) Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

(P) Let us welcome the newly baptized. ***(All)* We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace: *(P)* The peace of the Lord be always with you. ***(All)* And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn #385 *Worship the Lord in the Beauty ... (during which a collection will be taken)*

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
bring, and adore him: the Lord is his name.

Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness;
high on his heart he will bear it for thee,
comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth thou canst reckon as thine;
truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

These though we bring them
in trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is dear,
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling, and hope for our fear.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
bring, and adore him: the Lord is his name!

Prayer over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer

(P) The Lord be with you. ***(All)* And also with you.**

(P) Lift up your hearts. ***(All)* We lift them to the Lord.**

(P) Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***(All)* It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

(P) We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer.

He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and
shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile
us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to
bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for
you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the
cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish
the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into

the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

***(All)* Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

(P) Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our
Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to
suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take,
and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is
shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this
bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to
stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy
Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the
truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through
your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church, now and for ever. ***(All)* Amen. Lord's Prayer**

The Breaking of the Bread: *(P)* We break this bread to share in the
body of Christ. ***(All)* We, being many, are one body, for we all
share in the one bread.**

**Lamb of God: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of
the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.**

The Communion: *(P)* The gifts of God for the people of God. ***(All)*
Thanks be to God.**

Prayer after Communion

Doxology *(P)* Glory to God, ***(All)* whose power, working in us, can
do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from
generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for
ever and ever. Amen.**