



St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



HOLY BAPTISM

April 28, 2024 10:00 AM

Fifth Sunday of Easter
A Service of Holy Baptism
April 28, 2024

Prelude

Mary Lee Voort

Processional Hymn: #442 Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Steve Bateman

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant May his grace and peace be with you.

People **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

Celebrant There is one body and one Spirit,

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

People **One God and Father of all.**

The Collect of the Day *(All kneeling)*

Celebrant Let us pray

All **Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life.
Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his
commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word

At the conclusion of each reading, the reader shall say: **The Word of the Lord.**

And the people shall respond: **Thanks be to God.**

First Reading: Acts 8:26-40 (p. 777)

Jay Penner

Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-21 (p. 863)

Cari Penner

Gradual Hymn: Your Love, O Lord

Your love, oh Lord,
reaches to the heavens.
Your faithfulness
stretches to the skies.
And Your righteousness
is like the mighty mountain,
and Your justice flows
Like the ocean's tides.

And I will lift my voice
to worship You, my King.
I will find my strength
in the shadow of Your wings. *Repeat*

Your love, oh Lord,
reaches to the heavens.
Your faithfulness
stretches to the skies.

The Gospel John 15:1-8 (p. 764)

Karen Hudson

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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

Reader Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

Anthem The Gift of Love

H. Hopson

We welcome into the Lord's Family, through the waters of Baptism

Candidates

Parents/Sponsors

Colin Sherman Curtis Slingsby

Rev. Canon James Robinson

Jenna Renee Slingsby

(in absentia)

Ethne Renee Elizabeth Slingsby

Duncan Hamilton (joining online)

Camden William Arthur Slingsby

Victoria Brindley Anne Slingsby

**Winry Jessica Booth
Finnigan (Finn) Michael Booth**

Trudy Nelson, Cliff Nelson

Addysyn Grace Lorne

**Noelle and Jason Lorne, Teresa and
Jason Nihill, Donna and Wilfred
Marshall**

Rhys Jerry Steven Bateman

**Ashely and Eric Bateman, Rev. Steve
and Linda Bateman, Melissa and Jerry
Steeves**

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Celebrant The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Candidates are presented by their parents and sponsors as follows:

Parents and sponsors **I present N to receive the sacrament of baptism.**

The Celebrant asks each candidate when presented,

Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate **I do.**

When all have been presented, where applicable, the celebrant asks the parents and sponsors,

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Parents and sponsors **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and sponsors **I will, with God's help.**

Then the celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and sponsors who speak on behalf of the younger children.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Answer **I do.**

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer **I do.**

Question Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Answer **I do.**

After all have been presented, the celebrant addresses the congregation, saying,
Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their lives in Christ?

People **We will.**

Prayers for the Candidates *(all kneeling)*

The celebrant then says to the congregation,

Let us now pray for these candidates who will receive the sacrament of new birth.

Prayers of the People

Sheila Matson

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant 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.

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

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **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.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People **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.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

People **I will, with God's help.**

The Baptism

Each candidate is presented by name to the celebrant, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then pours water upon the candidate, saying,

Celebrant I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The celebrant makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of each one (using chrism if desired) saying to each,

Celebrant I sign you with the cross and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

The celebrant, at a place in the full sight of the congregation, prays over the newly baptized, saying,

Celebrant

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them 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

One of the ministers may then give to each of the newly baptized a lighted candle, saying,

Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

When all of the newly baptized have received candles, the people say,

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Celebrant

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People

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

All stand, and one of the ministers addresses the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you

Offertory Hymn: #445 God the Creator

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

The Rev. Steve Bateman

All

**Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life.
May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant 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 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.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted. Our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

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

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer *(all kneeling)*

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Lord we died with you on the cross.

All **Now we are raised to new life.**

Celebrant We were buried in your tomb.

All **Now we share in your resurrection**

Celebrant Live in us, that we may live in you.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Eucharist.

All (baptized or not) are invited to come forward for a blessing.

If you require a gluten free wafer, please inform the person administering the bread.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray. *(all kneeling)*

All **God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen**

Celebrant Glory to God *(all standing)*

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

Blessing

Recessional Hymn: #486 Love Divine, All Love's Excelling

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in grace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In loving memory of all mothers and grandmothers, Marguerite Armstrong, Dorothy Kobe, Florence Kobe and Barbara Jean Kobe by Wilf and Deborah Jean Kobe.

In loving memory of Hilda Hignell and Thea Nichols by David, Barbara, Jaime and Shannon.

SHARING IN MINISTRY TODAY

GOSPELLER: Karen Hudson

INTERCESSOR: Sheila Matson

LAY ASSISTANTS: Chris Burton, Karen Hudson, Jean Larson, Kathy Leonard, Judith Robinson, Greg Young

LECTORS: Cari Penner, Jay Penner

LITURGICAL ASSISTANT: Greg Young

MUSICIANS: Steve Bateman, Keith Griffioen, Megan Thorlakson, St. Augustine's Senior Choir

SANCTUARY GUILD: Harriet Edwards, Allan and Vernice Herbig, Pat Latimer, Lois Ledene, Joanne Stroh

SERVERS: David Adesina, George Ostrop, Mark Penner and Michelle Bright (training)

SIDESPEOPLE: Cathy Gillespie, Keith Griffioen

COUNT SUPERVISOR: Margot Bailes

TECHNICAL CREW: Sound: Barry Adams, Michael Larsen; Videography: Orion Legg, David Olubiyi

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Associate Priest
Rector Emeritus
Rector Emeritus
Children & Family Ministries
Nursery & Special Events
Music Director
Organist
Administrative Assistant
Lead Verger
Assistant Vergers
Rector's Warden
Acolyte
Assistant Rector's Warden
People's Warden
Assistant People's Warden
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Deputy Warden (Fellowship)
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