



St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



HOLY BAPTISM

October 22, 2023 10:00 AM

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
A Service of Holy Baptism
October 22, 2023

Prelude

Mary Lee Voort

Opening Hymn: #350 Stand Up and Bless the Lord

Welcome and Announcements
Children's Focus

The Rev. Steve Bateman

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant 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.**

The celebrant then continues,

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 and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith,
that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before,
we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of
everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
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: Exodus 33:12-23 (p. 64)

Lee Cutforth

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 (p. 835)

Charis Legg

Gradual Hymn: I Will Offer Up My Life

I will offer up my life in spirit and truth,
pouring out the oil of love as my worship to you.
In surrender I must give my every part;
Lord, receive the sacrifice of a broken heart.

Chorus: Jesus, what can I give, what can I bring
to so faithful a friend, to so loving a king?
Saviour, what can be said, what can be sung
as a praise of your name for the things you have done?
Oh, my words could not tell, not even in part,
of the debt of love that is owed by this thankful heart.

You deserve my every breath for you've paid the great cost
giving up your life to death, even death on a cross.
You took all my shame away, there defeated my sin,
opened up the gates of heaven and have beckoned me in.

The Gospel Matthew 22:15-22 (p. 699)

Tim Pope

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

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 Seekers of Your Heart

Mary McDonald

Karen Hudson, Erinn Roberts, Keith Griffioen

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

Candidates

Esme Haven Duda

Parents/Sponsors

Bryson and Joelle Duda

Greg and Mariah Riew

Wanda and Lawrence Kopp

Atlas Zander Duda

Bryson and Joelle Duda

Greg and Mariah Riew

Wanda and Lawrence Kopp

Linden Forster Martens

Shelby and Abram Martens

Ember Forster Martens

Shelby and Abram Martens

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Celebrant The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

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

When all have been presented the celebrant asks the parents and sponsors of children:
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 parents and sponsors who speak on behalf of the infants and 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 children who will receive the sacrament of new birth.

Prayers of the People

Cathy Gillespie

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: #522 Rock of Ages

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

The Rev. Steve Bateman

All

Eternal God, your word inspires our faith. May we who offer you our praise trust you in all things. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer S3

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

It is indeed right to thank you and praise you, holy and gracious God, creator of all things, ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life, for you are the source of all goodness, rich in mercy and abounding in love; you are faithful to your people in every generation, and your word endures for ever.

Therefore with angels and archangels, with the fellowship of saints and the company of heaven, we glorify your holy name, evermore praising you and singing,

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.

Celebrant We praise you, merciful Father, not as we ought, but as we are able, because in your tender love you gave the world your only Son, in order that the world might be saved through him. He made you known by taking the form of a servant, healing the sick, liberating the oppressed, reaching out to the lost.

Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross, he confronted the power of sin and disarmed it for ever. In his offering of himself, he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Redeemed by Christ, we have been adopted as your children; by your pardon you have made us worthy to praise you.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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." In obedience to him and with grateful hearts we approach your holy table, remembering our Saviour's sacrifice, and rejoicing in his victory. Confident in his sovereign purpose, we declare our faith.

All **Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again**

Celebrant Send your Holy Spirit on us that as we receive this bread and this cup we may partake of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving. May we be renewed in his risen life, filled with love, and strengthened in our will to serve others; and make of our lives, we pray, a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you, knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever.

People **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 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.**

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.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray. (all kneeling)

All **God of peace, you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and
blood of Christ. May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts
and lives, 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: #529 God, My Hope on You Is Founded

Dismissal

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

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In loving memory of parents Norman and Lena Fentimen and

Alfred and Edith Stillwell by Francis Stillwell.

In loving memory of my brother, Gerald Robertson and my parents,
Gwen and Bob Robertson by Barbara Gammon.

In loving memory of Lilly Crabb by Don and family.

SHARING IN MINISTRY TODAY

SANCTUARY GUILD: Ruth Beattie, Nikki Gordon, Barb Hignell, Tina Huckabay, Allison Kittleson, Judy Moore, Marc Siewert, Dorothy Tipper

GOSPELLER: Tim Pope

INTERCESSOR: Cathy Gillespie

LAY ASSISTANTS: Doug Bain, Beth Cook, Bev Dorchak, Ken Dorchak, Tim Fyfe, Cathy Gillespie, Shiela Matson, Len Robinson, David Olubiyi

LECTORS: Lee Cutforth, Charis Legg

MUSICIANS: Keith Griffioen, Erinn Roberts, Tim Scott

SERVER: Nicole MacDonald

SIDESPEOPLE: Don Crabb, Lori Westerson

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