



EUCCHARIST WITH BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

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St Aidan's, Elmvale Acres
The Anglican Diocese of Ottawa

Welcome to St. Aidan's--we are blessed by your presence today! Hymns are found in the blue "Common Praise" book. We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional homeland of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg People.

The Gathering of the Community

Hymn 482: Come and Journey with a Saviour

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

And also with you.

There is one body and one Spirit, **There is one hope in God's call to us;**
One Lord, one faith, one baptism, **One God and Father of all.**

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; 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

A Reading from Deuteronomy

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

DEUTERONOMY 26:1-11

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, **abide under the shadow of the Almighty.**
They shall say to the Lord, "You are our refuge and our stronghold, **our God in whom we put our trust.**"
Because you have made the Lord your refuge, **and the Most High your habitation,**
There shall no evil happen to you, **neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.**
For the angels of God shall have charge over you, **to keep you in all your ways.**
They shall bear you in their hands, **lest you dash your foot against a stone.**
You shall tread upon the lion and adder; **you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.**
"Because they are bound to me in love, **therefore will I deliver them;**
I will protect them, **because they know my name.**
They shall call upon me, **and I will answer them;**
I am with them in trouble; **I will rescue them and bring them to honour.**
With long life will I satisfy them, **and show them my salvation."**

A Reading from Romans

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

ROMANS 10:8B-13

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Procession: **Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.**
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

The Holy Gospel

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

LUKE 4:1-13

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel Procession: **Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.**
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

Homily

The Holy Baptism

Presentation of Candidates

The Candidates for Baptism will now be presented.

I present Jackson Archie to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Parents/Sponsors of Candidates

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

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

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

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

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God? *I renounce them.*

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour? *I do.*

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love? *I do.*

Do you promise to obey him as your Lord? *I do.*

The other candidates will now be presented.

I present Bryanna and Jacob for Confirmation.

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil? *I do.*

Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ? *I do.*

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

I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Saviour and Lord.

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these people in their life in Christ? **We will!**

Prayers for Candidates

Let us now pray for Jackson, who is to receive the sacrament of new birth, and for Bryanna and Jacob, who are to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

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

Open their hearts to your grace and truth. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

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

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

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

Today at St Aidan's, we pray for our own community, remembering especially Lynn, Warren, Christopher, Edward, Christeen, Terence, Aimee, Lois. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Christ may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory. All this we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Thanksgiving Over Water

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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.**

The Baptismal Covenant

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

Do you believe in God the Father? **I believe in God, The Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

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

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

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

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

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

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

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

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

The Baptism

Jackson Archie, 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.

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 him 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 Light

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

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

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

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.

Let us now pray for Bryanna and Jacob who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in this your servants the covenant you made with them at their baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *Bryanna/Jacob* with your Holy Spirit; empower *her/him* for your service; and sustain *her/him* all the days of *her/his* life. **Amen.**

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Hymn 352: Amazing Grace

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The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

God our refuge and our strength, receive all we offer you this day, and through the death and resurrection of your Son transform us to his likeness. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer Two

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

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.** [...]

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

(Sung) 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. [...]

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

We break this bread, **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to 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.

Receiving Communion

For Communion from the Pews, tell our Sidesperson, or raise your hand; otherwise, Communion is offered at Altar Rail.

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God, in this holy bread you increase our faith and hope and love. Lead us in the path of Christ who is your Word of life. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

Episcopal Blessing

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 602: Lift High the Cross

**Welcome to Bishop Shane Parker, as we celebrate the Baptism of Jackson and the Confirmations of Bryanna and Jacob!
All are welcome to a Special Reception in Lindisfarne Hall after the service.**

Thanks to all who organized and attended St Aidan's Pancake Dinner! It was a delicious meal, with wonderful fellowship. This year's winners of the Pancake Race are Janjuan and Natalie!

Lenten Workbook: Interested in a deeper journey through Lent? Free copies of a special Workbook and Devotional called "There in God's Garden" are available in the small pamphlet shelf just beside our Office Administrator's door!

Neighbourhood Bible Study - Thursdays in March at 11:00 am! March 13 - St Aidan's (934 Hamlet), March 20 - Emmanuel (961 Smyth), March 27 - Pur&Simple (970 Smyth).

***New Date - Proclamation of the Word, The What and The Why:** Join your fellow parishioners for a WORKSHOP on Saturday March 22nd from 10:00 to 12:00 in Lindisfarne Hall to explore how The Proclamation of the Word is drafted as part of the weekly bulletin. How are the scriptures selected? Who selects them? Why are they selected? Does every verse in the New Testament have an equal chance of being selected? How are the verses from the epistles and Old Testament readings selected? These questions and more will be addressed in the workshop. In order to have sufficient material on hand, please signup for the workshop on the main notice board.

St Aidan's Lenten Outreach Project - "Let Light Shine" for St George's College, Jerusalem: St George's College is an important ministry in the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem, which teaches Pilgrims to see, feel, and understand the biblical and contemporary richness of the land and the people who live there. Because of the violence and uncertainty in the Holy Land, the situation is dire for St George's College staff and their families, and for the future of the College itself. **Please consider buying a Dove for \$10, to symbolize St Aidan's support and prayers for St George's College. Tax receipts will be provided.**

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