

## HYMNS

- 96i Brightest and best
- 46 On Jordan's bank
- 109 When Jesus comes to be baptised
- 99 Hail to the Lord's anointed (omit v5)

## PRAYERS

- For the Church; in the Anglican Church of Hong Kong (Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui), for the Church of St John the Baptist, Tseung Kwan O.
- For Hong Kong and the world...
- For the sick, especially Jane Norris, Rita Farmer, John Ford and Kevin Burnett.
- For the departed, especially Hans Dieter Isler

*If you would like to include anyone by name in our prayers, please let Will, Alison or Olivia know.*

## VOLUNTEERS TODAY NEXT SUNDAY

Welcomers		
Altar Server		
Reader	Heloise	
Intercessions	Graham	Anna
Offertory & Collection		
Flowers		
Refreshments	No Refreshments	at present
Junior Church	No Sunday School	at present

*Thank you to all volunteers!*

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*You may like to donate flowers in celebration, in memoriam, or for any reason. Yours to take away after church if you wish. Contact Alison or Olivia.*

**The church colour for baptism is white and gold for light and glory!**

## NOTICES

Catch up with old friends and meet new friends!

If you would like to chat with other congregation members after the service, please stay on Zoom, and join one of the breakout groups.

We can't meet over coffee and cakes, but this is a happy new way to build up our community.

Chapel Committee will meet on Zoom this Thursday evening 14<sup>th</sup> January, 8.30pm.

*St Stephen's Round Table*

*Sleep –*

*A waste of time, or your very own Superpower?*

Explore the power of Sleep, in company with others from the congregation.

Our own Chris Lawrence, professional and experienced counsellor, will be your guide.

Check your email from Will for the Zoom link. 6.30pm this Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>.

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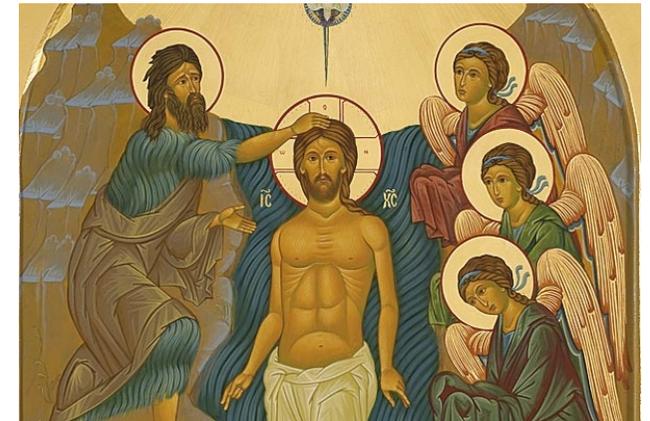
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## The Baptism of Christ

10th January 2021

10am Holy Eucharist

The Revd Will Newman



*The baptism of Jesus*

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, ‘Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?’ They replied, ‘No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.’ Then he said, ‘Into what then were you baptized?’ They answered, ‘Into John’s baptism.’ Paul said, ‘John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.’ On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

*Acts 19.1-7*

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**



THE GOSPEL

Priest: Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, ‘The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.’

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, ‘You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.’

*Mark 1.4-11*

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

