

# ST. MATTHEW'S

The Anglican Church in the Glebe

Baptism of the Lord

January 7, 2024



A voice came from heaven saying, “This is my beloved Son  
with whom I am well pleased.” *Matthew 3:17*



Welcome to St. Matthew's, a vibrant Christian community  
that welcomes everyone, embraces inspiring worship and learning,  
and is committed to hospitality and loving service.

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*Our liturgy is taken from the Book of Alternative Services, beginning on page 185,  
and our hymnody is taken from the blue Common Praise hymnal. Additional prayers  
may be taken from Eucharistic Prayers, Services of the Word, and Night Prayer.*

Service Setting: Service from Setting 3

*John Rutter*

**Prelude:** Variations from Organ Concerto, Op. 4. No. 1

*G.F. Handel*

**Processional Hymn: 162** Sing of God Made Manifest

*Salzburg*

*Celebrant* We worship this morning upon the traditional and unceded territory of the  
Algonquin Anishnaabeg people.

*All* **May we live upon this land in peace, truth and love.**

*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.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

*The children and young people are invited at this time to head down to Sunday School,  
following our Sunday School teachers.*

**Glory to God** (see music card)

*Rutter*

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit, keep your children, born of water and the Spirit, faithful to their calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### First Reading: Genesis 1: 1-5

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. God called the light “day,” and the darkness he called “night.” And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

### Psalm: 29

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.  
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; \*  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.  
The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; \*  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.  
The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.  
The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;  
He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.  
The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; \*  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.  
The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.  
And in the temple of the Lord \*  
all are crying, “Glory!”

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.  
The Lord shall give strength to his people; \*  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

**Second Reading:** Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was at Corinth, Paul took the road through the interior and arrived at Ephesus. There he found some disciples and asked them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” They answered, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” So Paul asked, “Then what baptism did you receive?” “John’s baptism,” they replied. Paul said, “John’s baptism was a baptism of repentance. He told the people to believe in the one coming after him, that is, in Jesus.” On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul placed his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied. There were about twelve men in all.

**Gradual Anthem:** Wade in the Water

*African-American*

**Gospel Acclamation:** 714

*Taizé*

*All stand for the Gospel.*

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

*Reader*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**The Holy Gospel:** Mark 1: 4-11

And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. John wore clothing made of camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. And this was his message: “After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

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

**Homily:** The Reverend Geoffrey Chapman

## **Apostles' Creed**

*Celebrant* Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,  
*All* **I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
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.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Prayers of the People**

### **Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; all are welcome and invited to God's table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept*

*Celebrant* Most merciful God,  
*All* **we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*People* **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*All stand, and the presiding celebrant addresses the people.*

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

# **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Offertory Hymn: 163** When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known *St. Venantius*

## **The Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant* God of life and freedom, we celebrate the revelation of Jesus as the Christ who  
makes all creation new. Accept all we offer you this day and make us new in  
him, who is Lord for ever and ever.  
*People* **Amen**

## **The Great Thanksgiving: 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;  
 Blessed are you, gracious god,  
 Creator of heaven and earth;  
 You have revealed your eternal plan of salvation,  
 And have shown your Son Jesus Christ  
 To be the light of all peoples.  
 Therefore with angels and archangels  
 We raise our voices in joyful praise  
 to proclaim the glory of your name.  
 Therefore we praise you,  
 joining our voices with angels and archangels,  
 and with all the company of heaven,  
 who for ever sing this hymn  
 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.**

*Rutter (on card)*

*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."

*All*

Therefore, Father, according to his command,  
**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.

*People*      **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer** 744

*Rimsky-Korsakov*

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant*      God of promise,  
you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.  
*All*              **Happy are those who are called**  
                     **to the supper of the Lamb.**

## **The Communion**

*The celebrant invites the people to share in communion and may say,*

*Celebrant*      The gifts of God for the People of God.

*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

## **Agnus Dei** (see music card)

*Rutter (on card)*

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

*The celebrant and people then receive communion.*

*When receiving communion, if you wish to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, simply cross your arms over your chest, placing your hands on your shoulders.*

*If you wish to receive gluten free wafers, please extend one hand outward.*

*If you wish to receive the bread but not the wine, after consuming the bread, please touch the base of the chalice as you hear the words of invitation.*

## **Communion Hymn: 165** Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-offering

*Rendez à Dieu*

## **Anthem:** When Jesus Comes to be Baptized

*Hall*

## Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant* Gracious God, lover of all, by this sacrament you make us one family in Christ your Son, one in the sharing of his body and blood, one in the communion of his Spirit. Help us to grow in love for one another and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ. We ask this in his name.

*People* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

## The Blessing

*Celebrant* The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Announcements

**Recessional Hymn: 385** Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness

*Üttingen*

## Dismissal

*Celebrant* This service has ended, but your service has just begun.  
Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

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

**Postlude:** Voluntary in D

*Domenico Scarlatti*

## **Worship Leaders & Volunteers**

8:00am

Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Geoff Chapman

Server: Wendy Pullan

Reader: Wendy Pullan

*10:30am*

Celebrant: The Reverend Geoffrey Chapman

Honourary Assistant: Katie Tait

Greeters: Marg Terrett

Sidesperson: Carl Sonnen

Servers: Leslie Jones and Cathy Simons

Reader: Paul Wefers-Bettink and Elizabeth MacMillan

Communion Ministers: Mary Glen and Paul Wefers-Bettink

Prayers of the People: Jim Lynes

Altar Guild: Jannice Sonnen, Dale McKenzie, Ruth Frayne, Elizabeth MacMillan, Darina Griffin and Judy Billingsley (flowers)

Coffee Hour: Sarah Birkett-Martin and Tom Martin

The Rev. Geoff Chapman: 613-854-0643, [revgeoffchapman@stmatthewsottawa.ca](mailto:revgeoffchapman@stmatthewsottawa.ca)

Honourary Assistants: The Most Rev. Barry Curtis, The Rev. Katherine (Katie) Tait and The Rev. Dana Rodgers

Director of Music: Dr. Robert Hall

Parish Administrator: Catherine James McGuinty: 613-234-4024

Rector's Warden: Jim Lynes

People's Warden: Denis Martel

Deputy Wardens: Debora Fleming and Charles Nixon

**This Week, for Pastoral Emergencies please contact Rev. Geoff Chapman at 613-854-0643**

## Readings for Next Week

1 Samuel 3: 1-10  
Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-17  
1 Corinthians 6: 12-20  
John 1:43-51

## Liturgical Calendar

Thursday	Jan 11	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	
Sunday	Jan 14	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Second Sunday after the Epiphany
Sunday	Jan 14	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	Second Sunday after the Epiphany
Thursday	Jan 18	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	
Sunday	Jan 21	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Third Sunday after the Epiphany
Sunday	Jan 21	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	Third Sunday after the Epiphany

## **This Week, Please Pray For:**

**In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** The Scottish Episcopal Church

**In our Diocesan Prayer Calendar:** The Diocese of Jerusalem and Archbishop Hosam Naoum The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada and Bishop Susan Johnson and Bishop Michael Pryse

**In our Parish:** Our Rector, The Reverend Geoffrey Chapman and our Honorary Assistants: The Most Reverend Barry Curtis, the Reverend Katherine Tait and the Reverend Dana Rodgers.

**For those who are in need of our prayers and those who are ill:** Susan, Judith, Edith, Zohreh, James, Paul, Tom, Penny, Laura, Amélie, David, Ben, Gracie, Marie Claire, Patsy, Maryam, Peter, Camilla, Mike, Sarah, Steve, Verna, Don, Tim, Samantha, Baby Lachlan, Isabelle, Odile, Sandra, Becky, Kent, Kathy, Baby Declan & his family.

Please give prayers of thanksgiving for the lives of those who have died, may their souls rest in peace eternal, and may all who mourn know God's comfort and peace:

Today we give prayers of thanksgiving for the faithful life of **John Godfrey**, former member of our parish, who died on December 18, and for his wife **Trish** and son **Ian**, family and friends as they mourn his loss.

**Please give prayers of thanksgiving for the lives of those who have died, may their souls rest in peace eternal, and may all who mourn know God's comfort and peace.**

Finally, we send every good wish to **Bayne Pearen** and his beloved wife, **Jeanne** and family, who celebrated Bayne's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday on December 1.

## Announcements

**Reminder!** Submissions and photos for the Vestry Report are due to Neville Nankivell ([nevillenankivell@rogers.com](mailto:nevillenankivell@rogers.com)), copied to Catherine James McGuinty ([admin@stmatthewsottawa.ca](mailto:admin@stmatthewsottawa.ca)) and Valerie Needham ([needhav@algonquincollege.com](mailto:needhav@algonquincollege.com)) by 5 pm on **Monday, January 8, 2024**. Earlier submissions are welcome and appreciated.

### **NEW! Marmalade Countdown**

Some time in the next couple of weeks, Seville oranges will reach stores in Ottawa. Their arrival will prompt the start of this year's marmalade project. Everyone is welcome to participate in this popular seasonal activity. Watch for the announcement that the project is about to begin in the Sunday bulletin and the weekly newsletter. Meanwhile, donations of new or used 250 ml mason jars are still being sought. They may be left in the kitchen at any time. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**NEW! Thank you:** to everyone who brought in milk bags during November and December. Through the volunteer efforts of another church, 145 milk bags will get a second life, woven into mats for those living without homes. Look for further item collection activities in 2024!

**NEW! Used Christmas Cards:** Please note that while Christmas card sales were successful in raising money for Ottawa Youth Services Bureau, we are NOT collecting used Christmas cards this year. Please *do not* leave them at the back of the church. Please re-use or re-cycle your cards! Thank you!

**NEW! Weekly Offering Envelopes for 2024.** We invite members of St. Matthew's to have a boxed set of offering envelopes and to use them for your church donations. If you would like to have offering envelopes, please sign up on the clip board at the back of the church near the visitors guestbook. Your boxed set of offering envelopes will be prepared and left for you to pick up at the back of the church later this month. Your envelopes will be automatically renewed annually. The cost of your boxed set is covered by the initial offering envelope contribution.

We invite you to support the ongoing ministry of St. Matthew's financially to allow us to do God's work with the resources you have trusted to us.

**Christian Meditation:** The Christian Meditation group meets weekly on Wednesdays at 11 AM. We meet on Zoom and occasionally in person, in the chapel. Each meeting begins with a time of informal chatting. At 11:15 we listen to a short, recorded talk by a recognized spiritual guide, followed by 20 minutes of silence and closing prayer. For more information about the group, and/or to receive a Zoom invitation to our meeting, please call Sue Rayner 613-558-7899 or email me at [m.s.rayner@sympatico.ca](mailto:m.s.rayner@sympatico.ca).

**Online Sunday Service:** St. Matthews is live streaming our Sunday Worship Service. The link to this service is:

[https://youtube.com/channel/UCRKL\\_pwbbZ\\_FN2YFPAVdG1g/live](https://youtube.com/channel/UCRKL_pwbbZ_FN2YFPAVdG1g/live)

You can watch it live or view it at a later date.

**Wednesday Bible Study:** Rev. Geoff hosts a Bible Study over Zoom on Wednesdays at 12:00pm for one hour. You are invited to join the zoom call. The focus of the discussion will be the gospel reading for the upcoming week. Here's the link:

<https://zoom.us/j/9274494655?pwd=SDg0enV1VXVGTzhDN0E3Q0JxU0lkdz09> Meeting ID: 927 449 4655 Password: 8qTqYJ

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