

**St. Clement's Church**  
**January 9, 2011 — Holy Eucharist**

**The First Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**The Baptism of Our Lord**

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**Organ Prelude**                      *Prélude, Fugue et Variation*                      César Franck

**Processional Hymn 120**              The sinless one to Jordan came              *Solemnis haec festivitas*

*Celebrant*    Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People*        And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**The Collect for Purity**

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**The Summary of the Law**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

**Gloria in excelsis Deo S-280**                                              Robert Powell

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*    The Lord be with you.  
*People*        And with thy spirit.  
*Celebrant*    Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

**The First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9**

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

### **Psalm 29**

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord, the glory due his Name;  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;  
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 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.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe  
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord  
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;  
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people;  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

### **The Second Reading: Acts 10:34-43**

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ —he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after

the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn 116**

“I come,” the great Redeemer cries

*This Endris Nyght*

**The Holy Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17**

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented.

And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Bruce D. O’Neill

**The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

*Celebrant* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People* I do.

*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 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 neighbor 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* May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a  
new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness  
of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

## **Prayers of the People**

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## **Confession of Sin**

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
maker of all things, judge of all men:  
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,  
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,  
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Absolution and Comfortable Words**

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#### **The Peace**

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

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

#### **Birthday Prayer**

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide  
them wherever they may be, keeping them unspotted from the world.  
Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them  
when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall;  
and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding  
abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Anniversary Prayer**

O God, who hast so consecrated the state of Matrimony  
that in it is represented the spiritual marriage and unity  
between Christ and his Church; look mercifully upon these thy servants,  
that they may love, honour, and cherish each other, and so live together  
in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness,  
that their home may be a haven of blessing and of peace;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee  
and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

#### **Announcements**

#### **Offertory Anthem**

*Lead Me, Lord*  
Youth & Adult Choirs

Samuel Sebastian Wesley  
Psalms 5:8, 4:9

Lead me, Lord,  
lead me in Thy righteousness,  
make Thy way plain before my face.  
For it is Thou, Lord, only,  
that makest me dwell in safety.

**Presentation Hymn 380, verse 3**

*Old Hundredth*

**The Great Thanksgiving**

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And with thy spirit.  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* We lift them up unto the Lord.  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.  
*People* It is meet and right so to do.

*Celebrant*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**Sanctus, S-129**

Robert Powell

*Celebrant* All glory be to thee, O Lord our God...  
By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost  
all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.  
*People* AMEN.  
*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us we are bold to say,

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**The Lord's Prayer**

*People and Celebrant*

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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

**Agnus Dei, S-163**

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**Prayer of Humble Access***Celebrant and People*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,  
 trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies.  
 We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.  
 But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.  
 Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,  
 and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

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

*At St. Clement's all who seek Christ are invited to receive communion.*

**Communion Hymn 121**

Christ, when for us you were baptized

*Caithness***Ablutions Anthem**

*Oculi Omnium*  
 Adult Choir

Charles Wood  
 Psalm 145:16

*Oculi omnium in te sperant Domine:  
 et tu das escam illorum in tempore opportuno.  
 Gloria tibi Domine. Amen.*

The eyes of all wait on thee, Lord,  
 and you give them their food in good time.  
 Glory be to you, Lord. Amen.

**Postcommunion Prayer***People and Celebrant*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost feed us,  
 in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood  
 of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby  
 of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate  
 in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people;  
 and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.

And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace,  
 that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works  
 as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom,  
 with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

**Blessing****Recessional Hymn 448**

O love, how deep, how broad, how high

*Deus tuorum militum***Dismissal**

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Organ Postlude***Prélude, Fugue et Variation*

César Franck