

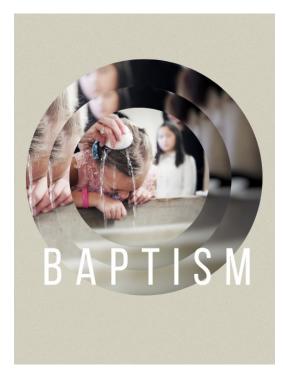
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Sunday, Aug 10, 2025

Baptism & Communion Service **6:30pm**

WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME

WORSHIP IN SONG

OPENING PRAYERS

READINGS Ephesians 2:1-10

¹ And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ² in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the children of disobedience—³ among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the flesh and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of humanity. ⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Luke 6:27-38

²⁷ [Jesus said:] "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹ To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. ³⁰ Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. ³¹ And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them. ³² "If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³ And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴ And if you lend to those from whom you expect to

receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. ³⁵ But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. ³⁶ Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. ³⁷ Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸ give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Kindness and Goodness of God" Bruce Edwards
Sermon Series: "Fruit of the Spirit"
(Galatians 5:22-23 "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.")

REFLECTION

PRAYERS

Let us now pray for Leo and Hilary as they receive the sacrament of new birth. 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.

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.**

PRESENTATION & EXAMINATION of BAPTISM CANDIDATES

The congregation may be seated as the parents and sponsors of Leo stand.

Parents & Sponsors: I present Leo to receive the sacrament of baptism.

God promises forgiveness and the gift of the Holy Spirit to all who turn to him in Christ. This promise also embraces the children of God's people, whom we bring to him in faith. Children must themselves express faith in Christ when they are able to do so. They must turn away from sin and put their trust in him. In due course, they should come to reaffirm these promises and receive prayer for strengthening in confirmation.

I ask you who already trust in Christ, and are willing to teach and encourage Leo in the same faith: are you yourself a follower of Jesus Christ, trusting the gracious promises of God?

Parents and Sponsors: I am.

Will you be responsible for seeing that Leo is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian Community?

I will, with God's help.

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

I will, with God's help.

Hilary stands along with her sponsor.

Sponsor: I present Hilary to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Hilary, do you wish to be baptized?

Candidate: I do.

Hilary now joins with parents and sponsors in the responses.

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

Candidates, Parents & Sponsors: 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.

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Hilary and Leo in their lives in Christ?

All: We will.

Let us stand and join with these who have committed themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Do you believe in God the Father?

All: 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 vourself?

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.

Candidates, parents and sponsors are invited forward to gather around the baptismal font.

THE BAPTISM

Let us pray.

Merciful God, for Jesus Christ's sake, grant that Leo and Hilary whom we baptize in this water, may be saved through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. May they die to sin and rise again to righteousness. May your Spirit live and work in them, and may they be yours forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who died and rose again for us.

Amen.

Then the celebrant pours water on the candidate saying,

I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. I sign you with the cross and mark you as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

A candle will be presented to the newly baptized.

God has called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Gracious God, we thank you that through the death and resurrection of your Son, you have brought us from death to life. Enable us by your Spirit to resist the power of sin and give ourselves to you as a living sacrifice. May we not be conformed to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of our mind, so that we serve and please you in every way. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY

In our offertory, we offer our praise and thanksgiving and the gifts of bread and wine to the glory of God.

If you wish to financially support the ongoing gospel ministry of Little Trinity, you can scan the QR code attached to a pew for options or visit our website at littletrinity.org/give.

If you wish to give in person, please deposit your offering in the offering boxes in the church sanctuary.

OFFERTORY WORSHIP

COMMUNION PRAYER

The Spirit of God be with you. Lift your hearts to heaven.

Where Christ in glory reigns.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the pioneer of our salvation, who is with us always, one of us, yet from the heart of God. In your love, dear God, righteous and strong to save, you came among us in Jesus Christ, our crucified and living Lord. You make all things new. In Christ's suffering and cross you reveal your glory and reconcile all peoples to yourself, their true and living God.

To you be glory and praise forever.

Accept our praises, living God, for Jesus Christ, the one perfect offering for the world, who on the night that he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me."

To you be glory and praise forever.

After supper he took the cup 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 to forgive sin. Do this, as often as you drink it, to remember me."

To you be glory and praise forever.

Grant that by your Spirit this bread and wine, may be to us his body and blood as we celebrate your great acts of liberty ever present and living in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught, we are bold to pray.

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, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

All those who have placed their trust in Jesus as Saviour and Lord, being baptized in any Christian denomination, are welcome to the Lord's table.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request from the communion administrant.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Merciful Father, we thank you that you fed us with your bread and wine. Open our hearts this week that we may be transformed by your free offer of grace, not trapped by the demands of religion. Set us free to experience the joy of being freely loved and forgiven by you through the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ. We ask these things in his name. Amen.

BLESSING

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.**

CLOSING WORSHIP

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH

WORLDWIDE: The Church in Rwanda
DIOCESE: St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole; St. Matthew, Islington,
& St. Matthias, Bellwoods
CLERICUS: St Andrew by the Lake

NEIGHBOURHOOD

Those living and working on Derby Street & Tankhouse Lane

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Prayer Chain - Jane Kuchma

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Kevin & Mary Menzel; David & Kirsten Meyer, Hannah & Andrew; Elda Michael; Jonathan Mildon; Andrew Mildon; Joanne Millard & Juvenal Duarte

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6:30pm - Lamplighters Worship & Communion Service Reading: Mark 14:32-42









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