# 8 January 2023 – The Sunday after the Epiphany – K and Cd

# Name of all majesty - Hymn 102

Name of all majesty,  
fathomless mystery,  
King of the ages  
by angels adored;  
power and authority,  
splendour and dignity,  
bow to his mastery,  
Jesus is Lord!

2 Child of our destiny,  
God from eternity,  
love of the Father  
on sinners outpoured;  
see now what God has done  
sending his only Son,  
Christ the beloved One,  
Jesus is Lord!

3 Saviour of Calvary,  
costliest victory,  
darkness defeated  
and Eden restored;  
born as a man to die,  
nailed to a cross on high,  
cold in the grave to lie,  
Jesus is Lord!

4 Source of all sovereignty,  
light, immortality,  
life everlasting  
and heaven assured;  
so with the ransomed, we  
praise him eternally,  
Christ in his majesty,  
Jesus is Lord!

# The Greeting - Hello and Welcome

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all **and also with you**

O Lord, open our lips **and our mouth will proclaim your praise.**  
Let us worship the Lord. **All praise to his name.**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Blessed be God for ever.**

# Penitence - saying sorry

Father, forgive us: **save us and help us**

# Forgiveness - a reminder of God’s gift

# Preparing - to hear God’s word

Your word is a lantern to my feet  
**and a light upon our path.**  
O Lord, your word is everlasting:  
**it stands firm for ever in the heavens.**

Let us then receive the word of the Lord.  
**So may the light of your presence shine into our hearts.**

# Psalm 29 - we stand to say

Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings,  
**ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due to his name;  
**worship the Lord in the splendour of his holiness.**

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;  
**the God of glory thunders, the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.**

The voice of the Lord is powerful;  
**the voice of the Lord is majestic.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;  
**the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.**

He makes Lebanon leap like a calf, Sirion like a young wild ox.  
**The voice of the Lord strikes with flashes of lightning.**

The voice of the Lord shakes the desert;  
**the Lord shakes the Desert of Kadesh.**

The voice of the Lord twists the oaks and strips the forests bare.  
**And in his temple all cry, ‘Glory!’**

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord is enthroned as King for ever.  
**The Lord gives strength to his people; the Lord blesses his people with peace.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;•  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.**

# Acts 10:34–43 - please be seated

A reading from Acts chapter 10 beginning at verse 34

Then Peter began to speak: ‘I now realise how true it is that God does not show favouritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached – how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.  
‘We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen – by us 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 whom God appointed 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.’

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

# Children’s Spot - with Keith

# Spirit of God - Hymn 386

*Spirit of God, unseen as the wind, gentle as is the dove;  
teach us the truth and help us believe, show us the Saviour’s love.*

1 You spoke to us long, long ago,  
gave us the written word;  
we read it still, needing its truth,  
through it God’s voice is heard.

2 Without your help we fail our Lord,  
we cannot live his way;  
we need your power, we need your strength,  
following Christ each day.

# Sunday Club begins

# Matthew 3:13–17 - Please be seated

A reading from Matthew chapter 3 beginning at verse 13

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, ‘I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?’  
Jesus replied, ‘Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfil all righteousness.’ Then John consented.

As soon as Jesus was baptised, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, 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, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.’

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# Word Collect - The Baptism of Jesus

# The Sermon

# Breathe on me, Breath of God - Offertory Hymn 293

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love,  
and do what thou wouldst do.

2 Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
until my heart is pure,  
until with thee I will one  will  
to do and to endure.

3 Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
till I am wholly  thine;  
until this earthly part of me  
glows with Thy  fire divine.

4 Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
so shall I never die,  
but live with Thee the  perfect life  
of thine eternity.

# Declaring Faith - affirming our belief

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world?  
**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed mankind?  
**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God? **I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church. **This is our faith.**  
**We believe and trust in One God,** **Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

# Praying Together - Intercessions

# Sunday Collect - Sunday after the Epiphany

# The Lord’s Prayer - we pray with Jesus

**Be with us Lord,** **as we go out into the world.**  
**May the lips that have sung your praise always speak the truth;  
may the ears which have heard your Word listen only to what is good**  
**and may our lives, as well as our worship,  
be always pleasing in your sight,  
for the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

# The Blessing - and Dismissal

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

# Be thou my vision - Hymn 643

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,  
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great Father, and I thy true heir;  
thou in me dwelling, and I in thy care.

Be thou my breast-plate, my sword for the fight;  
be thou my armour, and be thou my might;  
thou my soul’s shelter, and thou my high tower:  
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise:  
thou mine inheritance through all my days;  
thou, and thou only, the first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art!

High King of heaven, when the battle is done,  
grant heaven’s joy to me, O bright heaven’s sun,  
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*We thank Bishop Alan Abernethy for conducting worship in St. Ignatius' today and Keith Shaw for leading in St. Andrew's. Stephen is attending a family baptism in England.*