

CHRIST CHURCH, DARTMOUTH
Diocese of Nova Scotia and PEI
Anglican Church of Canada



Sunday, January 12, 2020
10:00am Baptism of the Lord
An inclusive church welcoming everyone.

We are an affirming church, and we offer a warm welcome to people of all walks of life. This is a safe space for everyone as we are all created in the image of God.

We gratefully acknowledge that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.



Blessing the Children

This window depicts Jesus surrounded by children and a mother.

Inscription: "Suffer the little children to come to me." (Mark 10:14). The window is dedicated in memory of beloved Rector Noel Wilcox M.A., B.D., 1917 to 1932. He served Christ Church for 15 years before illness prevented further service. The original window designed by Robert McCausland Ltd., was erected by the parish in 1937.

This window was destroyed by the Magazine Hill ammunition depot explosion in 1945 and rebuilt at the same time as the **Crucifixion** and the **Good Shepherd** windows. The position of this window was swapped so that the baptismal font, which at that time was placed near the south vestry, would be closer to **Blessing the Children**.

(The following information can go into the bulletin on another page as a further explanation)

Blessing the Children

In the Gospels of Mark, Matthew and Luke, Jesus explains that children are innocent, pure, and humble beings who trust and love freely. Because of their innocence, they can accept God wholly. Jesus explains to his disciples that to reach Heaven, they must accept God as children do. The body language of the children show they trust Jesus; while they may recognize him as their Lord, Jesus is essentially a stranger to them. The city in the background may be the city of Judea as the passages of the Gospels describe him as being in the region near Judea at the time of the blessing of the children..

Information by Emma Daigle

Order of Worship

The Service begins on page 185 of *The Book of Alternative Services*

Note: *Please follow along with the liturgy as best you can, directions are included in this worship order. As you are able please stand for all the hymns as we join our voices and sing as we praise God.*

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Hymn of Gathering: *O Come and Join the Dance*

Kyrie

Gloria

The Collect of the Day (said together)

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. Amen

The Proclamation of the Word (The congregation sits for the lessons. The Psalm is said responsively)

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

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The first Servant Song is appointed because Christians have seen in it a description of Jesus Christ, the one chosen by God to bring forth justice throughout the world. By baptism, believers are called into the way of Christ to be a new creation, to receive the name of God and become lights in the world.

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 10:34-43

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This passage from Acts is chosen to coordinate with the gospel from Matthew 3. The sermon put into Peter's mouth places baptism as the beginning of Christian ministry. All who believe in the name of Jesus receive forgiveness.

Gospel Acclamation (vs 1 sung before and vs 2 sung after the Gospel reading)

The Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

At his baptism, Jesus hears the voice of God, receives the Spirit of God, and is acclaimed Son of God. For Christians, this narrative illumines Christian baptism, when believers also are adopted as children by the name of the triune God.

Sermon: Rev Kyle Wagner

The Prayers of the People
(please stand as you are able)

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Confession and Absolution
(please stand as you are able)

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The Peace

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The passing of the peace is an ancient practice for Christians. Often a handshake or a hug, this point in our service reflects our mutual love for one another. For some, passing the peace (shaking hands, embracing) may be uncomfortable. If you do not wish to share the peace, that is okay! So that others know this, you can place your hands together in a sign of prayer.

Hymn of Offering: *Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering*

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Prayer over the Gifts (said together) *God of hope, renew in us the joy of your salvation and make us a living sacrifice to you, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Celebration of the Eucharist

This community of faith welcomes to the Lord's table all who are called and who wish to be nourished. Come as you are. If you would like to receive a blessing, please cross your hands in front of your chest. Gluten Free bread is available. Please let the minister know or greeter know.

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Holy, Holy, Holy
Great Amen

Communion Anthem: *10000 Reasons (bless The Lord)*

The Prayer after Communion (said together, please stand as you are able) *Merciful God, may this eucharist free us from our sins, fill us with unending joy, and prepare us for the birthday of our Saviour. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who is Lord now and for ever. Amen.*

Doxology (please stand as you are able) *Glory to God, 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

Hymn of Sending Forth: *Bring Many Names*

Dismissal

Postlude: *When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known*

We pray for: Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby; Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Primate; Archbishop Ron Cutler Metropolitan and Diocesan Bishop

Christ Church Prayer List: Anne MacKinnon, John & Karen MacLeod, Catherine MacNutt, Sharon, Fred & Elaine Mailman, and Rev. Robin Major & family

For those ill or in Need: Allyson, Carol Gordon, Les Halsey, Rick Chenhall, Carol Balcom, Rene Cyr, Darrell Williams, Rainer Minzloff, Don Fickes, Jamie, Melba Graham, John, Heather, Lyn, Dennis & Sheila, Peter, Michael, Joanne Francella, Edith Sutherland, Ida Smith, Madelyn,

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Milton and Rustico, Prince Edward Island

Rev Ralph Moore and Bonnie

Crapaud, Prince Edward Island

Rev Margaret Collins

Rev Cathy Pharo
New London, Prince Edward Island
Rev Margaret Fagan and Darroch

Today

All are invited to the Book Launch of TALES FROM THE DARKSIDE, a new collection of short stories by Dartmouth author, Robert John Schwarzmnn. Robert is Violet's brother. Violet and Alan published this book to recognize Robert's talent. The Book Launch will take place in the Lower Hall of Christ Church, during coffee hour, from 11 am to 12:30pm, immediately following the 10 am service. Refreshments will be available. Robert will present a short reading and sign books. The first edition of the book is \$15 and the second edition is \$20. The difference in price will be explained by Violet at the event.

Announcements

NOTICE: If you have an announcement that you wish to verbally highlight during our announcement time, *you must* contact the parish office. Space is limited to 3 messages and time allotted will come on a first come, first serve basis, with the discretion of the Parish Administration. Often brief, to the point, announcements are most effective.

Coffee and Conversation Coordinator - After years of coordinating Coffee and Conversation Hour, Carolyn Graham has decided she'd like to pass this ministry on to someone else. This is such an important role in the life of our parish. The "job description" would be maintaining a schedule of volunteers to make coffee/tea after the 10:00 services on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in filling this role, please speak to either Candace Vieira or Joan Hensler. We are very grateful for Carolyn's dedication of this important ministry. Thank you for your consideration.

January 19 11:30am The Historical Committee invites you to our first Lunch and Learn. (Storm date Jan 26th). Join us for a free talk by retired Chief Petty Officer First Class JoAnn Cunningham as she describes the role of the Wrens in WW2. Many may know JoAnn, sister of parishioner Cathy Connors, and recipient of the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012 for her work on the subject. On July 31, 1942 the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service (WRCNS) was established as part of the Royal Canadian Navy to "release a man to go to sea". At peak strength 6783 women were serving as Wrens and trained in 39 different trades. Come hear about the important contributions made by these women. The talk will be followed immediately by a Corn Chowder with roll, coffee or tea and a wartime dessert. Price \$8.00 Tickets are available from: Shelley @ shelleyabridges@gmail.com or Shelley phone: 902-233-6316 Janice. @ Janice.silver6@gmail.com Diane @ dkaye@bellaliant.net

Theology on Tap January 21st at Pilot's Pub 7pm. Please join us for an evening of conversation and fellowship.

Rector's Readers Book Club:

Saint Augustine once wrote "The World is a book, and those who do not travel read only a page." This group is a space to assemble and share a love of literature. It's a time in our busy lives to converse over coffee and tea about our favorite authors and books, what we like about literature, and what we don't like! We gathering in the Minister's Office (61 Dundas Street) 7:00pm If you wish to join our group please contact the parish office at 902.466.4270 or christchurch@christchurchdartmouth.com

TUESDAY EVENINGS Book Club Book

List for 2019-2020

January 14th *The Handmaids Tale* by Margaret Atwood

(McClelland & Stewart, Sept. 2011)

February 4th *Crow* by Amy Spurway (Goose Lane Editions, April 2019)

March 3rd *Educated* by Tara Westover (HarperCollins Publishers, February 2018)

April 7th *The Saturday Night Ghost Club* by Craig Davidson (Vintage Canada, April 2019)

May 5th *Unsheltered* by Barbara Kingsolver (Harper Collins, October 2018)

June 2nd *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* by Patti Callahan (Thomas Nelson, October 2018)

Morning Prayer: On Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 9:00am, Debbie Fice, our Theological Student, will be leading morning prayer. Please come and enjoy this sacred time, a great way to start your day

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission at Christ Church is to be a welcoming Christian community committed to enabling each other to grow through worship, spiritual fellowship and service, following the example of Christ.

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