

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

13TH JANUARY 2019

First Reading

Isaiah 43:1–7

The Book of The Prophet Isaiah

⁴³ But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
³For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.
⁴Because you are precious in my sight,
and honored, and I love you,
I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.
⁵Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;
⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up,"
and to the south, "Do not withhold;
bring my sons from far away
and my daughters from the end of the earth—
⁷everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made."

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalm - 29

¹Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings:
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name:
worship the LORD in holy splendor.

- ³ The voice of the LORD is over the waters:
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD, over mighty waters.
- ⁴ The voice of the LORD is powerful:
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
- ⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars:
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- ⁶ He makes Lebanon skip like a calf:
and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- ⁷ The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire:
⁸ The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- ⁹ The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl:
and strips the forest bare;
and in his temple all say, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned over the flood:
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
- ¹¹ May the LORD give strength to his people!:
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Second Reading

Acts 8:14–17

The Acts of The Apostles

¹⁴ Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵ The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶ (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷ Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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Thanks be to God

Gospel

Luke 3:15–17, 21–22

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁵ As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is

more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sentence

The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven, ‘You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.’

Isaiah 60.1

Prayer of the day

External God,
at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan
you proclaimed him your beloved Son,
and anointed him with the Holy Spirit:
grant that all who are baptised into his name
may keep the covenant they have made,
and boldly confess him as Lord and Saviour;
who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns,
one God, in glory everlasting.

Amen.

Supplementary Readings

Isaiah 43.15-21

Psalm 2

John 1.19-24

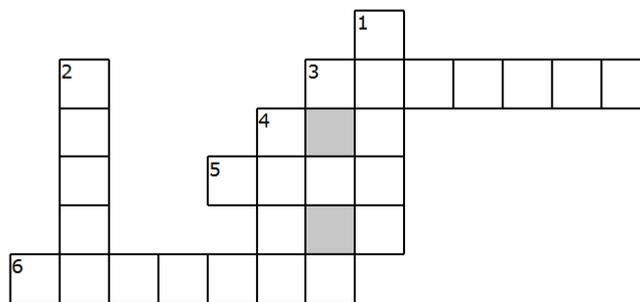
Prayer Response

Give strength to your people.

Immerse us in your presence and peace.

The Baptism of Jesus

One day when the crowds were being baptized, Jesus himself was baptized. Luke 3:21 (NIV)



ACROSS

3. Shoes that are fastened to the foot by straps.
5. The Holy Spirit came down from heaven in the form of a _____.
6. When Jesus prayed, the _____ opened.

DOWN

1. The liquid that John used to baptize people.
2. What was heard when Jesus was baptized.
4. The name of the man who baptized Jesus.

John	voice	water
dove	sandals	heavens