

We welcome all who worship with us today

The Life & Work of St. Andrew's...

Monday 9 January: 3 p.m. Session
Saturday 14 January: 10 a.m. AMS meets at the church
A warm welcome to anyone would like to join.
Sunday 15 January: Morning Worship
Coffee & Conversation Following worship

Annual Congregational Meeting:

Our Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday 5 February following worship and a lunch.
Please email Annual Reports to Jeff by **Monday 23 January.**

Minister's hours at the church:

Jeff will be holding hours at the church this Thursday from 9-11:30 a.m.

*The flowers placed in Church this Sunday, are in memory of
Mrs. Helen Beale
from her son, Herb Beale*

❄ Winter Weather Cancellation Policy ❄

To find out if a service is cancelled on a Sunday morning with inclement weather you may:

- 1) check the website – a notice will be posted on the main page
- 2) call the church (536-1952) – notice will be given as part of the standard greeting on the answering service.

Notices of cancellation will be made by 9:30a.m.
for both website and phone answering service.

As we gather for worship we acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) and Mi'kmaq peoples. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) and Mi'kmaq peoples first signed with the British Crown in 1725. The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

Cover image: Baptism of Jesus, Bordone, Giotto 1276-1336

Prayer Tree - if you have prayer requests or wish to be part of the Prayer Tree please contact Mary Bogaard: mbogaard@eastlink.ca

Sunday Bulletins & Calendar of events can be found at www.sapres.ca



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Our Purpose

*"To see Christ more clearly, to love him more dearly,
to follow him more nearly, day by day."*

Baptism of the Lord

*indicates to stand as able

Sunday, January 8, 2017

Navy book – *The Book of Praise*
Red book – *The Book of Psalms*

GOD SPEAKS IN SCRIPTURE

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9, pp. 584-5.

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 29, Refrain I.

Epistle Reading: Acts 10:34-43, p. 895.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:13-17, pp. 784-5.

Sermon *“La Vita Nuova”*

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude

*Entrance of the Bible

*Hymn (*unannounced*): Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness 174 *The Book of Praise*

*Call to Worship (Responsive):

Minister: Sing, and bless God’s name;

Congregation: *tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.*

Minister: Proclaim God’s glory to the nations,

Congregation: *God’s marvelous deeds to all peoples.*

Prayers of Approach

Adoration

Confession (*unison*):

Merciful God,

*in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life,
making us part of the body of Christ.*

*We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves,
separated from sisters and brothers in Christ.*

*We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges,
and show reluctance to welcome one another;
we allow the past to hold us hostage.*

*In your loving kindness, have mercy on us,
and free us from sin.*

*Remind us of the promises you make in baptism
so that we may rise to new life,
and live together in grace
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.*

{Silent Confession}

Assurance of Pardon

The peace

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Congregation: *And also with you.*

(The people are invited to greet one another with words such as: “The Peace of Christ”)

*Hymn: Christ, when for us you were baptized (verses 1-3) 183 *The Book of Praise*

Young Worshippers

*Hymn: Christ, when for us you were baptized (verse 4) 183 *The Book of Praise*

WE RESPOND TO GOD

*Hymn: Songs of thankfulness and praise 176 *The Book of Praise*

*Affirmation of faith

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Sung Refrain (*tune on inside front cover of “The Book of Praise”*):

There is one true God whom to know is life eternal, whom to serve is joy and peace.

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Prayers of Intercession

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Presentation of Offerings

*Doxology (79 *The Book of Praise*)

Sacrament of Holy Communion (see insert)

Offertory

WE ARE SENT BY GOD

*Hymn (*unannounced*): Now let us from this table rise 556 *The Book of Praise*

*Charge & Benediction

*Choral Amen (780 *The Book of Praise*)

Postlude