



St Paul's Anglican Church, Hampton

*Growing spiritually and building community
through discipleship, worship & service*

January 8, 2016

Baptism of the Lord / Baptism

January 8

9:30 am BCP

Layreader: Debbie

(Acts 10:34-43, Ps. 29)

Reader: Glenna *(Isa. 42: 1-9)*

Greeters: - - -

Chancel: Estelle

Counters: Glenna / - - -

10:30 am BAS

Layreader: Betty *(Ps. 29)*

Reader: - - - *(Isa. 42: 1-9)*

Greeters: - - -

A/V: Elaine

Sunday School: Heather /

Danielle

Youth SS: Heather

Nursery: Debbie

Collect:

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.

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Acts 10:34-43 (9:00 am) - *Peter is visiting Cornelius, an officer of the occupying Roman army and already a believer in God. Peter breaks Jewish law by visiting a Gentile, but it is made clear to Peter that this encounter was orchestrated by the Spirit of God.*

Psalms 29 – *This psalm expresses God’s supremacy and universal rule over all creation, even the more wild and destructive elements of creation.*

Isaiah 42:1-9 - *This passage is one of four Servant Songs, poems about God’s special agent who will fulfill his purpose for the faithful community. Though innocent, he will suffer for his people. Christians see this as a prediction of the coming of Jesus.*

Matthew 3:13-17 - *John the Baptist has appeared, calling people to repentance, to turning back to God’s ways, to the way of life to which Israel committed herself at Sinai. He has told of the nearness of God’s kingdom, the time of complete fulfillment of God’s promises to humans. A new era, in which God rules, is almost here! And then in walks Jesus.*

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. 14 John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” 15 But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. 16 And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. 17 And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Reflection Questions:

Think of the children in your life and/or in the wider community. Maybe you're surrounded by children everyday, or maybe you feel mostly removed from the lives of children.

Whatever your situation is, what is it that you hope for the most for the children around you?

Once you've come up with one or two things that you hope for the children around you ask yourself this question.

What might baptism have to do with those hopes?

And then ask yourself, "what role does this church play in seeing those hopes fulfilled?"

Mission of the Month: **The Leprosy Mission of Canada**

International: Our Companion Diocese of Ho - Bishop Matthias

Diocese: Our Bishop David and his wife Janet & Retired Bishops Harold, George, William and Claude.

Government: Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Brian Gallant, Mayor Ken Chorley and the town council

Deanery: Parish of Gondola Point – Rev. Robert Langmaid, Retired Clergy – Rev. Dr. Lee Whitney

Parish: Rev. David & Family, Rev. Deacon Deborah Cochran & Family

January 15

9:30 am BCP

Layreader: Lorraine

(1 Cor. 1:1-9, Ps. 40:1-11)

Reader: - - - *(Isa.49:1-7)*

Greeters: - - -

Chancel: Glenna

Counters: - - -

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