



Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
Braamfontein

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Baptism of the Lord - Year C  
Morning Prayer - Week I

V. O Lord, open *our* lips

R. And we shall praise *your* name

### Office Hymn

1.  
When Jesus comes to be baptized,  
He leaves the hidden years behind,  
The years of safety and of peace.  
To bear the sins of all mankind.

2.  
The Spirit of the Lord comes down,  
Anoints the Christ to suffering,  
To preach the word, to free the bound,  
And to the mourner, comfort bring.

3.  
He will not quench the dying flame,  
And what is bruised he will not break,  
But heal the wound injustice dealt,  
And out of death his triumph make.

4.  
Our everlasting Father, praise,  
With Christ, his well-beloved Son,  
Who with the Spirit reigns serene,  
Untroubled Trinity in One. Amen.

The Nuns of Stanbrook  
Tune: Jesu dulcis memoria

The Psalms follow. The assembly sings the verses in **BOLD**.

### Psalm 62 (63)

#### Antiphon 1

The sol-dier bap-ti-zes the king, the slave his Lord, John bap-ti-zes the Sav-iour;  
the wa-ters of the Jor-dan are as- ton - ished, the dove ap-pears as a sign,  
the voice of the Fa - ther de - clares: "This is my Son".

O God, you are my God, for you I *long*. All sit  
for you my *soul* is thirsting.  
My body pines for you like a dry, +  
weary land without *water*.  
So I gaze on you in the sanctuary+  
to see your strength *and* your glory.

**For your love is better than *life*,**  
**my lips will speak *of* your praise.**  
**So I will bless you all my life, +**  
**in your name I will lift up my *hands*.**  
**My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, +**  
**my mouth shall praise *you* with joy.**

On my bed I re-*member* you.  
 On you I muse through the night +  
 for you have *been* my help;  
 in the shadow of your wings I re-*joice*.  
 My soul clings to you; +  
 your right hand *holds* me fast.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
 and to the *Ho-ly* Spirit,  
 as it was in the beginning, +  
 is now, and ever *shall* be,  
 world without *end*.  
 Amen.

Ant. The Soldier baptizes...

Canticle: Daniel 3: 57-88, 56

Antiphon 2

Plainchant Tone II

The springs of wa-ter were made ho - ly when Christ ap-pear-ed on earth.

Draw wa - ter from the wells of the Sa - viour;

Christ our God has made the whole cre - a - tion hol - ly.

O all you works of the Lord, O bless the *Lord*.  
 To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, cold and heat, O bless the *Lord*.  
 To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, angels of the Lord, O bless the *Lord*.  
 To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, showers and dew, O bless the *Lord*.  
 And you, frosts and cold, O *bless* the Lord.

And you, the heavens of the Lord, +  
 O bless the *Lord*.  
 And you, clouds of the sky, O *bless* the Lord.

And you, frost and snow, O bless the *Lord*.  
 To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, all armies of the Lord, +  
 O bless the *Lord*.  
 To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, night-time and day, O bless the *Lord*.  
 And you, darkness and light, O *bless* the Lord.

And you, sun and moon, O bless the *Lord*.  
 And you, the stars of the heavens, +  
 O *bless* the Lord.

And you, lightning and clouds, O bless the *Lord*.  
 To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, showers and rain, O bless the *Lord*.  
 To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

O let the earth bless the *Lord*.  
 To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, all you breezes and winds, +  
 O bless the *Lord*.  
 And you, fire and heat, O *bless* the Lord.

And you, mountains and hills, +  
 O bless the *Lord*.  
 And you, all plants of the earth, +  
 O *bless* the Lord.

And you, fountains and springs, O bless the *Lord*.  
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

**And you, rivers and seas, O bless the *Lord*.**  
**And you, creatures of the sea, O *bless* the *Lord*.**

And you, every bird in the sky, +  
O bless the *Lord*.+  
And you, wild beasts and tame, O bless the *Lord*.  
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

**And you, children of men, O bless the *Lord*.**  
**To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.**

O Israel, bless the *Lord*, O bless the *Lord*.  
And you, priests of the *Lord*, O *bless* the *Lord*.

**And you, servants of the *Lord*, +**  
**O bless the *Lord*.**  
**To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.**

And you, spirits and souls of the just, +  
O bless the *Lord*.  
And you, holy and humble of heart, +  
O *bless* the *Lord*.

**Ananias, Azarias, Mizael, O bless the *Lord*.**  
**To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.**

Let us praise the Father, the Son, +  
and Holy *Spi*-rit:  
To you be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

**May you be blessed, O *Lord*, in the *hea*-vens.**  
**To you be highest glory and *praise* for ever.**

**Ant. The springs of water...**

## Psalm 149

Antiphon 3

Tone: C. Upchurch

You de-stroyed man-kind's sin by the Ho-ly Spi-rit and by fire.  
we praise and a-dore you as God and re-deem-er.

Sing a new song to the *Lord*,  
his praise in the assembly of the *faithful*.  
Let Israel rejoice in its maker, +  
let Sion's sons exult in their *king*.  
Let them praise his name with dancing +  
and make music with timbrel and *harp*.

**For the *Lord* takes delight in his *people*.**  
**He crowns the poor with *sal*-vation.**  
**Let the *faithful* rejoice in their *glory*,**  
**shout for joy and take their *rest*.**

Let the praise of God be on their *lips*  
and a two-edged sword in their *hand*,  
to deal out vengeance to the *nations*  
and punishment on all the *peoples*;

**to bind their kings in *chains***  
**and their nobles in fetters of *iron*;**  
**to carry out the sentence *preor*-dained:**  
**this honour is for all his *faithful*.**

Glory be to the Father and to the *Son*  
and to the Holy *Spirit*,  
as it was in the beginning, +  
is now, and ever *shall be*,  
world without end. +  
*A-men*.

**Ant. You destroyed mankind's sin...**

## Scripture Reading: Isaiah 56 : 7

### Responsory

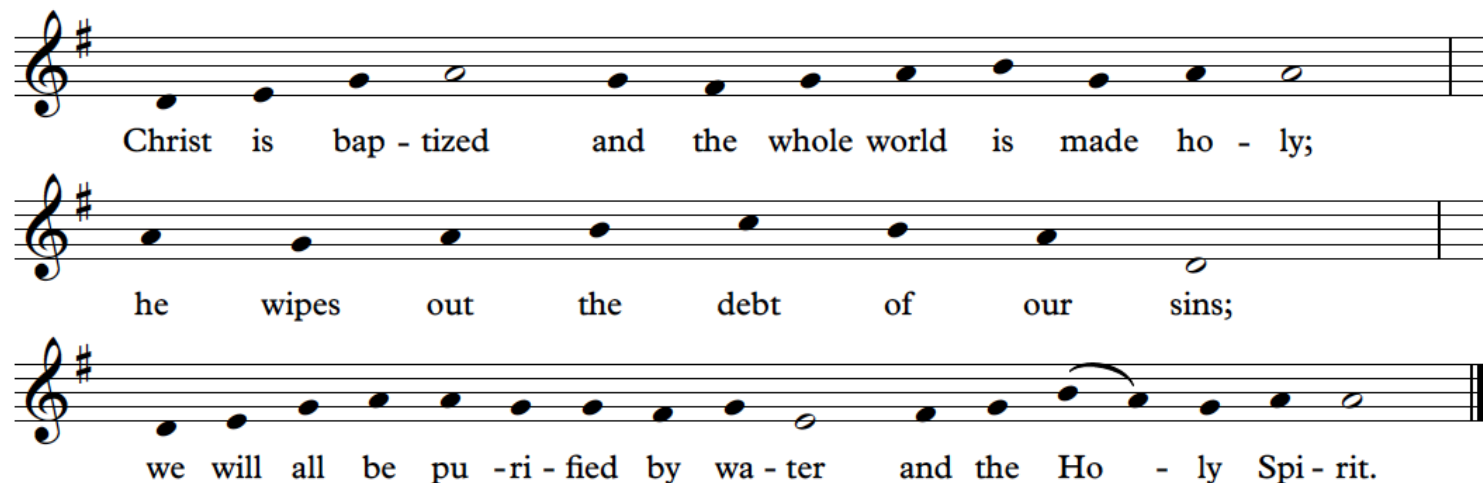
R. *You are Christ, the Son of the Living God.* \* Have *mer-cy* on us. R.

V. You were revealed today. R. V. Glory be. R.

All stand

### Benedictus

Plainchant Mode II



Christ is bap - tized and the whole world is made ho - ly;  
 he wipes out the debt of our sins;  
 we will all be pu - ri - fied by wa - ter and the Ho - ly Spi - rit.

+ *Be-ne*-dictus Dominus Deus *Is-rael*; \* quia visitavit et fecit redemptionem *ple-bis* suae

*et e-rexit* cornu salutis *no-bis*, \*  
**in domo David pue-ri sui,**

*si-cut* locutus est per os *sanc-to-rum*, \*  
 qui a saeculo sunt, *propheta-rum* eius,

*sa-lu-tem* ex inimicis *nos-tris*, \*  
**et de manu omnium, qui o-derunt nos;**

*ad fa-ciendam* misericordiam cum patribus  
*nos -tris*, \*  
 et memorari testamenti *su-i* sancti,

*ius-iu-randum*, quod iuravit ad Abraham  
 patrem *nos-trum*, \* *daturum se nobis*,

*ut si-ne* timore, de manu inimicorum  
 libe-*ra-ti*, \* *servia-mus* illi

*in sanc-titate et iustitia coram ip-so* \*  
**omnibus die-bus nostris.**

*Et tu*, puer, propheta Altissimi vo-*ca-beris*:  
 \* *praeibis* enim ante faciem Domini parare  
*vi-as* eius,

*ad dan-dam* scientiam salutis *plebi ei-us* \*  
**in remissionem peccatorum e-orum,**

*per vi-scera* misericordiae Dei *nos-tri*, \*  
 in quibus visitabit nos oriens *ex alto*,

*il-lu-minare* his, qui in tenebris et in  
 umbra mortis *se-dent*, \* *ad dirigendos*  
 pedes nostros in *vi-am* pacis.

*Glo-ri-a* Patri et *Fi-lio* \* et *Spiritu-i* Sancto

*Si-cut* erat in principio et nunc et *sem-per*.  
 \* **Et in saecula saeculo-rum.**  
 Amen.

Ant. Christ is baptized...

### Intercessions and Concluding Prayer

R. *Lord our Saviour, send us life.* Our Father. Alma redemptoris mater.