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December 03, 2023 - Holy Eucharist - *Book of Alternative Services* **1st Advent - Baptism of Bennett Joseph**

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Welcome

Notices

Opening Sentence

Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. Luke 21.28

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Hymn - Light the Advent Candle

Opening Hymn - #INSERT My Lord What a Morning

The Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you

There is one body and one Spirit,

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray

**Almighty God,
 give us grace to cast away the works of
 darkness
 and put on the armour of light,
 now in the time of this mortal life
 in which your Son Jesus Christ
 came to us in great humility,
 that on the last day,
 when he shall come again in his glorious
 majesty
 to judge both the living and the dead,
 we may rise to the life immortal;
 through him who lives and reigns
 with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.**

Amen.

1st Reading - Isaiah 64:1-9

Hear What the Spirit is Saying to the Church

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

80:1 Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock! You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth

80:2 before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh. Stir up your might, and come to save us!

80:3 Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

80:4 O LORD God of hosts, how long will you be angry with your people's prayers?

80:5 You have fed them with the bread of tears, and given them tears to drink in full measure.

80:6 You make us the scorn of our neighbors; our enemies laugh among themselves.

80:7 Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

80:17 But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one whom you made strong for yourself.

80:18 Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name.

80:19 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ, our good shepherd; you have led us to the kingdom of your Father's love. Forgive our careless indifference to your loving care for all your creatures, and remake us in the likeness of

your new and risen life. We ask this in your name. **Amen**

2nd Reading - 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Hear What the Spirit is Saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
And peace to his people on earth**

**Lord God, Heavenly King,
Almighty God and Father,
We Worship you, we give you thanks,
We praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the
Father
Receive our prayer**

**For you alone are the Holy One.
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, In the
glory of the Father**

Amen

Gradual Hymn - #693 INSERT Baptized in Water

The Gospel - Mark 13:24-37

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
According to Luke

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel of Christ

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Reflection

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Celebrant

The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents,

We present Bennett Joseph to receive the sacrament of baptism.

The celebrant asks the parents and sponsors

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Parents and sponsors,
I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and sponsors,
I will, with God's help.

Then the celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and sponsors who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: **I renounce them.**

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce **them.**

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer: **I renounce them.**

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Answer: **I do.**

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer: **I do.**

Question: Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Answer: **I do**

After all have been presented, the celebrant addresses the congregation, saying,

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

The celebrant then says to the congregation,

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Prayers For Bennett Joseph Here

A person appointed leads the following litany.

Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send them into the world in witness to your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen**

The Celebration of Baptism Thanksgiving over the Water

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.

Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise.

In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, The Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He

will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

I will, with God's help.

The Baptism

The parents of the child will pour water over the child's forehead while the celebrant says

Bennett Joseph I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The parents make the sign of the cross on the forehead of the child while the celebrant says

I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own forever.

The celebrant, at a place in the full sight of the congregation, prays over the newly baptized, saying,

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Giving of the Light

Once of the Lay readers will say

Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

The Parents will receive the candle from the holder on the child's behalf

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified,

proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Hymn - #99 (CP) Break, Day of God, O Break

The Celebration of the Eucharist *The Preparation of the Gifts*

The Prayer Over the Gifts

God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Eucharistic Prayer 2

The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfillment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those

who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh, and opened to us the way of salvation.

Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world, that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is

shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me.”

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of The Bread

God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

The Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God

Hymn - Lamb of God

**Lamb of God You Take Away The Sins Of the World
Have Mercy on Us**

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Have Mercy on Us**

Lamb of God You Take Away the Sins of the World

**Grant Us Peace
Grant Us Peace**

Prayer after Communion

Let us Pray

**God for whom we wait,
you have fed us with the bread of eternal life.
Keep us ever watchful,
that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man.
We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord.
Amen**

The Benediction - Rev Wilson Akinwale .

The Lord bless and keep you;

The Lord make his face to shine
upon you and be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up the light
of his countenance upon you, and give you
peace.

And the blessing of the Father, the Son and the
Holy Spirit
Be with you, uphold and strengthen you, grant
you favour in
all that you do now and always. **Amen**

Doxology

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.**

Closing Hymn - #615 (CP) Just as I am

Dismissal -

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contacted us for one concern or the other, we
are grateful for your gifts and presence. Thank
you for your generous donations and giving.
We pray that the risen Lord bless and multiply
you in all you do.

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of the Holy Spirit.
And be what you are, the church in the World.
Thanks be to God. Amen. Alleluia!

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