

# Kincardine United Church

## Baptism of Jesus

January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 11:00 a.m.

**Bold print in the bulletin invites you to say the words.**

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**PRELUDE** Intermezzo

*Healey Willan*

### **WELCOME**

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND**

Before we arrived as settlers,

there were First Nations here already for thousands of years –  
peoples with a tradition of stewardship with the land.

**They welcomed, sustained and taught us.**

Our prayer is that, in love, we find ways to share the land,  
celebrating all cultures with those who call this land home.

**In our reconciliation journey, we acknowledge that this community –  
where we work and worship –**

**is situated on the traditional territory of the Saugeen Ojibwe.**

We humbly respect their culture, traditions and stewardship of the land.

**May we live in friendship, peace, and a spirit of reconciliation  
with all our First Nations neighbours.**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the peace of Christ be with you all  
**And also with you**

## GOD GATHERS US

**INTROIT**      An Improvisation on “Just As I Am”      *David Hamilton*

## LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

**CALL TO WORSHIP**      Frances Froom, Gathering A/C/E 2021-22, pg 42

Through the waters of Baptism, Jesus was called.

**Through the sacrament of baptism, we too feel God’s call.**

By the voice from heaven, Jesus was claimed as God’s own.

**We too find ourselves marked by the love of God.**

By the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus was commissioned to his ministry.

**By the Spirit’s breath, we too take our place as God’s servants.**

We gather here called, claimed, and commissioned as God’s people.

**Thanks be to God.**

**OPENING PRAYER** Dora White, Gathering A/C/E 2021-22 pg 42

**HYMN VU 574** “Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love”

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Allan Warren, Gathering A/C/E 2021-22 pg 42

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

**SHARING TIME** Shoes!

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (said)**

**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.**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION** Fern Gibbard, Gathering A/C/E 2021-22 pg 42

Creator Spirit, moving over the waters, you are the God of our baptism.

**Delivering God, you save us from flood and destruction.**

Holy Spirit, hover over us; stir up in us the words of God.

**May we notice your voice coming to us as it came to Jesus, calling us  
 your beloved. Amen.**

**HEBREW READING:** Isaiah 43:1-7

**\*HYMN** MV #161 "I Have Called You by Your Name

**GOSPEL READING:** Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

**DOXOLOGY #321 (verse 4) "Maker in Whom We Live"**

**Eternal Triune God, let all the hosts above,**

**let all on earth below, record and dwell upon your love.**

**When heaven and earth have fled before your glorious face,  
 may all the saints your love has made sing everlasting praise.**

**REFLECTION****GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND****PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**ANTHEM** Celtic Alleluia

*Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker*

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**MISSION AND SERVICE STORY** Read by Janice McKean

**OFFERING INVITATION**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Fern Gibbard, Gathering A/C/E 2021-22 pg 42

**We bring our gifts to you, O God, in love and expectation:**

**in love because you first loved us;**

**in expectation because your blessing will increase these gifts  
manyfold. Amen**

**CLOSING HYMN** VU #245 "Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet"

**COMMISSIONING** Hillary Squires, Gathering A/C/E 2021-22 pg 42

**BENEDICTION**

**SONG OF COMMITMENT** VU #37 "Gloria"

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!**

**Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia.**

**POSTLUDE**

A Meditation on Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

*David Hamilton*

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