

### A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

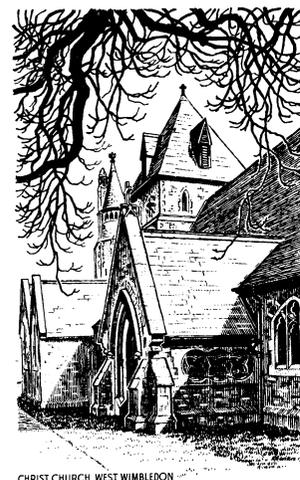
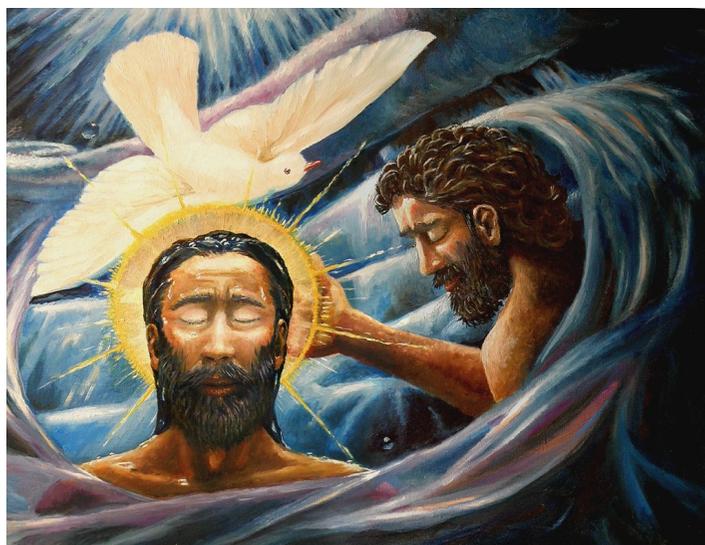
*Acts 8.14–17*

### Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

In the wilderness John proclaimed a baptism of repentance. As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

*Luke 3.15–17, 21–22*



CHRIST CHURCH, WEST WIMBLEDON

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**SUNDAY 9 JANUARY 2022**  
**THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST**



#### Collect

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan  
you revealed Jesus as your Son:  
may we recognize him as our Lord  
and know ourselves  
to be your beloved children; through  
Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

#### Post Communion

Lord of all time and eternity,  
you opened the heavens and  
revealed yourself as Father in the  
baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:  
by the power of your Spirit complete  
the heavenly work of our rebirth  
through the waters of the new  
creation; through Jesus Christ  
our Lord. **Amen.**

#### SUNDAY 9 JANUARY 2022

##### READINGS

Acts 8.14-17; Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

**8am Holy Communion (BCP)**

**10am Parish Eucharist**

##### HYMNS

550, 125, 513, 644

#### Green Prayer

Loving God,  
We thank you for this world  
which you have created,  
For its abundant riches,  
resources and complex ecologies  
Both those which are useful to us,  
providing food, clean water,  
clean air and so much more;  
And those which are beautiful  
and inspiring, and which help us  
connect with You. **Amen.**

#### SUNDAY 9 JANUARY 2022

**6.30pm BCP Evensong**

##### READINGS

Isaiah 55.1-11, Romans 6.1-11

##### HYMNS

108, 373, 624, Psalm 47

## FOR OUR PRAYERS

**Those who are ill or in need:** Simon; Michael Green; Nick Coke; Simon Kimber; Rita Allen;

**Those who have died:** Cyril Birkbeck

**Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:** Phyllis Barrett (2016); Gertrud Edith Bown (2021); Basil Crutchfield (2004); Boshra Hedayati (2001).

**Link Parish** of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe

### THIS WEEK

**Wednesday 12 January**

10am-12 noon Quiet Prayer in church

**Thursday 13 January**

4.30pm Book Club by Zoom

### SUNDAY 16 JANUARY

#### ETIPHANY 2

**8am Said Holy Communion (BCP)**

**10am Parish Eucharist**

**6.30pm Evening Prayer**

**CHRIST CHURCH TODDLER GROUP** Due to the covid situation, it has been decided to delay the reopening for the time being.

**COVID-19:** Current guidance dictates that everyone must wear a face covering over their mouth and nose, unless medically exempt. Please be aware of giving space to others. Remember—if you do develop any Covid symptoms, please remain at home.

**FINANCES AT CHRIST CHURCH:** If you wish to contribute via your bank, the details of our CAF bank account, in the name of **The PCC of Christ Church, West Wimbledon**, are **Sort code: 40-52-40** and **Account number: 00029176**. Please can you put your name in the reference. Cheques can also be made payable to **The PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon and sent to Christ Church West Wimbledon, 2. Cottenham Park Road, West Wimbledon, London SW20 0RZ**. **Please note** you must put in the full name of the account if you are setting up an online payment with your bank: **The PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon**



**HELP NEEDED WITH RUNNING THE HALL:** A number of people in the congregation already do various jobs to help run the hall which is now fully open again. However, the hall needs a couple of extra openers/closers for children parties at the weekends every 10 or 11 weeks. The hall also needs someone to wash and dry towels and tablecloths on a regular basis. The hall also needs someone to give help with general management and marketing on an occasional basis. Please talk to Angelina Skelton or Stefan Bown or email them on [ccsw20hall@gmail.com](mailto:ccsw20hall@gmail.com)

**A CALL FOR NEW CHURCH CLEANERS:** Could you consider sparing 1 to 1 1/2 hours every 4 weeks to join the Church cleaning teams? Tasks include dusting, vacuuming, cleaning the glass and the brass. Teams usually clean on a Monday or Saturday morning, but this could differ. Please speak to Liz Errington or send her an email via [cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk).

**THANK YOU** to everyone who worked very hard over the Christmas period. There are too many of you to name - but special thanks go to Elaine Chester and her team for the wonderful display of flowers, lights and greenery; to Pat Spencer and all the stewards/welcomers who worked so willingly; to the church cleaning teams who kept everything neat and tidy; to those who delivered the Christmas leaflets; to Tish and Julie for all their additional work in making sure everything ran so smoothly - not forgetting Bill Petch who put up the Christmas tree! - and to everyone else who played any part in what was a busy time of celebration this year. Special thanks must go to Tom Theakston and the choir for the Carol Service. With only a few hours notice on the day, our visiting organist and a couple of readers tested positive and our brass players were also unable to perform—so Tom had to step in to play the organ while Mary Ann Bown was drafted in to conduct. Thank you to them both—and for the very moving and impressive Carol Service.

**CHRISTMAS ATTENDANCE NUMBERS** were significantly down this year by about 60% overall. This is understandable given current uncertainty. The charitable collections were as follows: Children's Society from the Christingle Service: **£174.30**. Total from the Carol Service and the Christmas Eve/Day Services was **£1,253.34** (incl Gift Aid). £626.67 was allocated to the church and £313.33 each sent to Faith in Action and Christian Care. Thank you for your donations.

