

Today's hymns

Entrance	498	Let us, with a gladsome mind
Gradual	174	Breathe on me, breath of God
Offertory	34	On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
Final	267	Thou, whose almighty word

Recycle your Christmas cards

Betty and Walt Müller in Bonn are once again collecting used Christmas cards to recycle. They use the pictures to produce new cards to sell at the next Christmas bazaar. So instead of throwing your cards away, do bring them to church so they can be used again.

Evening Prayer and Bible Study this week

Evening Prayer and Bible study at All Saints in Cologne take place at 6pm to 6.30pm (Evening Prayer) and 6.30pm to 7.30pm (Bible study) this Friday. All are welcome.

Singing group in Bonn-Beuel

The next informal sing-along will be on Wednesday 17th January. We meet in the basement at St. Paulus church in Bonn-Beuel at 7.30pm. Talk to Anne Wegner (02224 941008) or Jill Wolff (jill.wolff@gmx.de) for more information.

Songs of Praise

Our next Songs of Praise evening will be at St. Paulus church in Bonn-Beuel at 5pm on Sunday 21st January. Come along for a good sing of favourite hymns chosen by members of the congregation.

Walking group

Time to dust off your walking boots! Our next walk will be on Saturday 27th January, once again led by Christoph and Linda. This time it's the Kräuterweg in Neunkirchen-Seelscheid, a 16km round trail: <https://www.bergisches-wanderland.de/de/bergische-streifzuege/alle-streifzuege/19-kraeuterweg-neunkirchen-seelscheid-161-km/index.html>

We then plan to have a meal together at the Gasthof Röttgen, Seelscheid. If you, or any of your friends, would like to come along, please let Richard Gardiner or Jenny Knudsen know by Monday 22nd January so a table can be reserved at the restaurant. The walk is open to all.

Weekly sheet

If you have any notices for this weekly sheet, please contact Jenny Knudsen on 0228 94693999 or e-mail: notices@anglicanbonncologne.de. The deadline is 9am on Wednesday morning for the following Sunday.

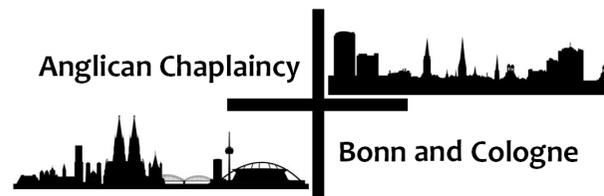
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WELCOME

Welcome to Sunday worship, especially if you are joining us for the first time. Refreshments will be served after the service. We hope you might stay and introduce yourself.

Sunday 7th January 2018 Baptism of Christ

President: Revd Michael Bullock
Preacher: Revd Richard Gardiner

Collect for today

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.

Old Testament reading – Genesis 1.1-5 Six Days of Creation and the Sabbath

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

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Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name;
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders;
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

**The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation;
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**He makes Lebanon skip like a calf
and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

**The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the forests bare;
in his temple all cry, 'Glory!'**

The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.

**The Lord shall give strength to his people;
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

New Testament reading – Acts 19.1-7

Paul in Ephesus

¹While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. ²He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.'³Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.'⁴Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.'⁵On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied — ⁷altogether there were about twelve of them.

Gospel reading – Mark 1.4-11

The Baptism of Jesus

⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

Post Communion prayer

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.