

Today's hymns

- 93 When Jesus came to Jordan
89 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness
191 O thou who camest from above
386 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

Welcome

A warm welcome to you, whether you are joining us in Bonn (9.30am) or Cologne (11.45am). In church, please note:

- Please wear a surgical mask or an FFP2 / KN95 mask.
- Please observe social distancing.
- Please follow the instructions if you would like to receive Holy Communion, in either one kind (bread) or two (bread and wine). The body and blood of Christ may be completely received in one kind only. If you wish to receive the wine, please drink from the chalice.
- Please place your donation in the collection basket during the offertory hymn, or donate by bank transfer (account details on the front page).

This week

Tuesday 10 January, 7.30pm: **Evening Prayer** on Zoom.

Friday 13 January, 6pm: **Evening Prayer** followed by **Bible study** (6.30pm to 7.30pm) at All Saints, Cologne.

Visiting team

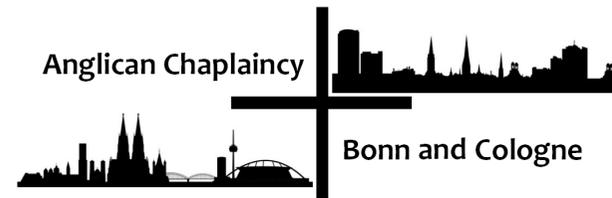
Our new Visiting Team is looking for volunteers to visit people in hospitals, care homes or their own homes who are in need of companionship, prayer and encouragement. Team members will receive safeguarding training and ideally commit to making 1–2 visits a month, preferably in pairs. Might you be able to show the love of Christ through fellowship in this way? Please see Fr Richard if you would like to join the team or simply find out more.

Are you new to Bonn or Cologne, or to this church? For up to date information, follow us on Facebook/Twitter and visit our website. To be added to the mailing list, let us have your contact details. Any data you give us will be kept securely and in no case given to any third parties.

Name:

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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 8 January 2023 The Baptism of Christ

President and preacher:
Revd Richard Gardiner

Collect

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us,
who are born again by water and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your
adopted children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Old Testament reading – Isaiah 42.1-9 The Servant, a Light to the Nations

Thus says the LORD:

¹Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.

²He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;

³a bruised reed he will not break,

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and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.

⁴He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

⁵Thus says God, the LORD,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:

⁶I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,

⁷to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

⁸I am the LORD, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.

⁹See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

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 10.34-43

Gentiles Hear the Good News

³⁴Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius.
'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation
anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You
know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by
Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea,
beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God
anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he
went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil,
for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea
and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but
God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all
the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate
and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to
preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as
judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that
everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his
name.'

Gospel reading – Matthew 3.13-17

The Baptism of Jesus

¹³Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him.
¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you,
and do you come to me?' ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for
it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he
consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from
the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the
Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷And a voice
from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom 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.**