

And worship Christ the Lord,  
Worship Him, Christ the Lord.

*A Songs of Fellowship Worship Resource  
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**FATHER, WE ADORE YOU,**

Lay our lives before You,  
How we love You.

Jesus, we adore You ... *(etc.)*

Spirit, we adore You ... *(etc.)*

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**Recessional Hymn: 49**

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

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**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**

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**Notices**

Dates for the coming week's services can be found in the church porch. For other information look in The Link or on our website.

**Free Coffee & Cakes:** Fred Reece cordially invites you for coffee and cakes in the Annex after the 9.30 Eucharist today to celebrate his 70th birthday.

**Church Work Party:** Saturday 21 January 9.30-12.30. Plenty to do, including dismantling the tree and the crib. Old hands and new volunteers (of either sex) welcome. Refreshments provided!

**Christmas Collections:** The Christmas collections for Shelter raised £1261.70 including Gift Aid. Thank to everyone.

**Essence course:** A practical course to explore spirituality. Starts Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January at 7.45pm, in the Annex. For details contact Mo Pettitt (420046) or Sheila Reece (429150)

**Standing Order:** Would the person who appears on the church's bank statements just as "FP" please make themselves known to the Treasurer, Steve Wells, 01344 452202.

**Giving Letter Autumn 2011:** I would like to thank all those who responded either in writing or in person to the Giving Letter.

As a result an extra £10,616 per year, including Gift Aid, has been promised.

*Next Sunday, 22nd January 2012,  
Conversion of St Paul*

*The Parish Office is open Tues 3.30pm-4.30pm  
& Wed 6.30pm-8.00pm. Tel: 01344 425205*

*Notices need to be in the Parish Office by noon on  
Wednesday to appear on the following Sunday Pew Sheet.*

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St Michael and St Mary Magdalene

Easthampstead

**READINGS and NOTICES**

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2012**

**The Baptism of Christ**

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**PLEASE TAKE THIS PEW SHEET HOME WITH YOU**

**In the event of fire or other emergency please do not panic. The Churchwardens and sidespeople are trained to direct you safely from the building by the most appropriate exit.**

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**8.00am Said Eucharist**

Celebrant: Revd Peter Bestley

**9.30am Festal Eucharist**

Celebrant: Revd Peter Bestley

Preacher: Revd Peter Bestley

**3.30pm: Church 4 U**

*If you are a taxpayer please use a green envelope for your giving. One can be found at the end of the pew. Pens are available from the Churchwardens to complete and sign it so that the tax can be reclaimed.*

*You are invited to receive the sacrament if you are accustomed to doing so here or elsewhere.*

*If you bring a young child with you and they become restless, books and toy bags are available at the back of church.*

*You are invited to stay for coffee after the service in the Annexe.*

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**Hymns:** *Hymn numbers are on the boards at the front of church. The numbers are shown below as they are sung.*

Introit:	27	On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
Gradual:	54	Thou whom shepherds worshipped
Intercessional:	272	O God, unseen but ever near
Offertory:	52	The people that in darkness sat
Communion:		We have come into this place
Communion:		Father, we adore you (Round)
Recessional:	49	O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

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**Introit Hymn: 27**

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

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**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**

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**Old Testament Reading:**

**Genesis 1: 1-5**

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the 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. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

This is the word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

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### **Psalm 29**

*R: May the Lord bless his people, bless his people with peace.*

- 1 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven,  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name;  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. **R**
- 2 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of  
glory thunders;  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation;  
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice. **R**
- 3 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf  
and Sirion like a young wild ox. **R**
- 4 7 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. **R**
- 5 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe  
and strips the forests bare;  
in his temple all cry, 'Glory!' **R**
- 6 9 The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood;  
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.
- 10 The Lord shall give strength to his people;  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace. **R**

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### **New Testament Reading: Acts 19: 1-7**

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He 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.' Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.' Paul 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.' On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

This is the word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

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### **Gradual Hymn: 54**

Thou whom shepherds worshipped

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### **Gospel: Mark 1: 4-11**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And 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. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He 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. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And 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. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

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*The service continues at section 8 in Order of Service*

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### **Intercessional Hymn: 272**

O God, unseen but ever near

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### **Intercessions:**

**In the Anglican Communion:** We pray for The Anglican Church Bangladesh and for The Most Revd Paul Sarker, Moderator of Church of Bangladesh and Bishop of Dhaka.

**In our Diocese:** We pray for the Deanery of Bracknell. For the people, churchwardens, PCC, clergy, and support staff of the Deanery.

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*The service continues at section 11 in Order of Service*

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### **Offertory Hymn: 52**

The people that in darkness sat *The service continues at section 13 in Order of Service*

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### **WE HAVE COME INTO THIS PLACE**

And gathered in His name to worship Him,  
We have come into this place  
And gathered in His name to worship Him,  
We have come into this place  
And gathered in His name  
To worship Christ the Lord,  
Worship Him, Christ the Lord.

So forget about yourself  
And concentrate on Him and worship Him,  
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And concentrate on Him and worship Him,  
So forget about yourself  
And concentrate on Him  
And worship Christ the Lord,  
Worship Him, Christ the Lord.

He is all my righteousness,  
I stand complete in Him and worship Him,  
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I stand complete in Him and worship Him,  
He is all my righteousness,  
I stand complete in Him  
And worship Christ the Lord,  
Worship Him, Christ the Lord.

Let us lift up holy hands  
And magnify His name and worship Him,  
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And magnify His name and worship Him,  
Let us lift up holy hands  
And magnify His name.