



The Order of Service for Holy

Matins

One Body and One Baptism
January 16, 2022

LEADER & PREACHER: REV NAVIN K JOHN

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

HYMN

1. The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation
By water and the Word:
From heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

2. Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
One Lord, one faith, one birth:
One holy name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

3. Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore opprest
By schisms rent asunder
By hereues distrest
Yet saints their watch are keeping
Their cry goes up, 'How long?'
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morning of songs.

4. 'Mid toil and tribulation
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace forever more;

Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

5. Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord,
Give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with Thee.

PRAISE

Presbyter: Let us worship God.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

Congregation: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Presbyter: O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

Congregation : For He is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. O that today you would listen to His voice

Presbyter: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?

Congregation: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.

Presbyter: To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him, and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by not following His laws, which He set before us by His servants the prophets.

Congregation: The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Presbyter: Jesus said, Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Congregation: I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.

All: Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

CONFESSION

Presbyter: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear Him.

Let us confess our sins in silence (after a moment of silence)

All: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Presbyter: May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon and remission for all our sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Collect: Sovereign God, who called the entire church to be the body of Christ, grant us courage to affirm our faith in one Body and in one Baptism. As we are baptized into the body of Christ, help us to realize Your transformative power which enables us to build an ecumenical community around us. May our baptism experience continue to affect us bringing revival and renewal within us to be the vibrant channels of unity, justice, and peace through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and ever. Amen.

BIBLE READINGS

Old Testament:	Amos	09: 05-12
Epistle:	Ephesians	04: 01-06
Gospel:	Matthew	16: 13-20

ALLELUIA

CHORUS: Spirit of the Living God

MESSAGE

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ God's only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried, He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; He ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit;

the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Presbyter: For the peace that is from above and for the salvation of our souls, for God's guidance, for God's grace, strength and courage. Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of God's holy churches, for the union of all, for God's grace upon all countries of the world who are suffering and fighting the corona virus, for the welfare of all people in all communities and societies, and for the welfare of all those who work in the medical department, for all the paramedical people who serve the sick and suffering. Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For our Bishops and all ministers, especially our Moderator of the CHURCH of SOUTH INDIA, our Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. P.K. Samuel, the Moderator of the Church of North India, The Metropolitan of the Marthoma Church, that with a good heart and a pure conscience they may accomplish their ministry. Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For the President of our Republic of India, for our Prime Minister, for the Governor of our State, for our Chief Minister and all those who serve in the government, especially for all those who are involved in containing the corona pandemic, for all those who serve in the government. Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For the sick, the suffering, sorrowful and dying and especially for all those communities and people, and those districts which are isolated because of the corona virus. Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For the poor, the hungry, orphans, widows, the daily labourers, them that suffer persecution, Let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: For ourselves who are in our homes, for all those who are getting back to work, children who are struggling with their online study, elders, especially who are home-bound, and all those who struggle to go on in life, that we may continue to show forth the excellencies of God who called us out of darkness into His marvellous light, who gave us grace and hope to go on in our lives. Let us pray to the Lord

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

Presbyter: That, with all his servants who have served him here and are now at rest, we may enter into the fullness of his unending joy, let us pray to the Lord:

Congregation: Lord have mercy.

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

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, forever and ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS :

OFFERTORY HYMN

1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light
2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
3. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
4. High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall.
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

PRAYER & BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

1. Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy pow'ful hand;
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want no more.
2. Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire, and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through;

Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield,
Be Thou still my strength and shield.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Bear me through the swelling current,
Land me safe on Canaan's side;
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee,
I will ever give to Thee.

GOD BLESS YOU ON YOUR BIRTHDAY...

- 16th Ms. Sophia Daniel, Dr. P C. Jacob.
17th Mr. Mohan David, Mr. Augustine Kaunds, Ms. Purnavi Sundaram,
Ms. Joanna Durai, Mr. Samuel Francis, Mas. Kevin David.
18th Mr. Joel Francis, Ms. Tina King, Ms. Heather Philipsz, Ms. Esther Arul,
Ms. Sandrine Seelan, Ms. Shanthakumari Babu, Ms. Christine Marcar.
19th Mr. Deepak Abraham, Dr. Sujatha Abraham, Mas. Nishant Sondhi,
Mas. Joshua Ebenezer.
20th Ms. Sarah Jeyakumar, Mr. Praveen Manohar, Ms. Geetha Vergis,
Ms. Bhavana Mercy, Ms. Elisha Bose.
21st Mr. Sean Lincoln, Mr. Niranjan Ravi, Mr. Danie Subramaniam,
Mr. Arun Wilson, Mr. Rajkumar Stephen, Ms. Cynthia Luther,
Ms. Tara Kuruvila, Ms. Johanna Norman, Ms. Ashika Raj.
22nd Ms. Reena Mohan, Mr. Arun Hubert.

... AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

- 18th Mr. & Mrs. M. Stanley Manickam, Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Mathews.
19th Mr. & Mrs. J. Dinesh Chakravarthy, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Arun kumar ,
Mr. & Mrs. Amit Nirmal.
20th Mr. & Mrs. Wilson Leonard Sigamoney
21st Mr. & Mrs. Philip Manickam, Mr. & Mrs. Vandan Christian,
Brig. & Mrs. Daleep K George, Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Theodore,
Mr. & Mrs. Prince Reagan.
22nd Mr. & Mrs. Frank Robert, Mr. & Mrs. George Williams,
Mr. & Mrs. Enoch Jayakaran.

ANNOUNCEMENT

- * Until further notice, the worship services will be conducted online.
Kindly follow the links for the service.
- * Kindly continue to pray for the ongoing restoration of the Church building.

- * Kindly contact the Church office for all official matters / clarifications / verification relating to the administration of the Church.
- * Kindly contact the Presbyterian-in-charge, Rev. Navin K John for all Pastoral requirements.
- * Kindly remit your tithes/offerings/subscriptions/medical fund/ education fund, through the online payment portal by using the following links:

LINK FOR THE ONLINE PAYMENT PORTAL -Bank details

<https://donate.stjohnschurchblr.com/>. Name of the account: CSITA ST JOHN'S CHURCH

Once the remittance is done, please mail the transaction details to accounts@stjohnschurchblr.com(Attn: Hannah), and mention the purpose of your contribution.

Account Number: 457702011005149

Name of Bank: Union Bank of India

Branch: St. John's High School, IFSC: UBIN0558923

- For any Verification/ clarification, please contact the church office accounts department for the details.

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Offertory 08.01.2022 to 14.01.2022	
Subscription	1,61,450
Projects	28,384
Offertory	5,100
Church Renovation	4,000
Medical	2,000
Total	2,00,934