THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Wednesday 17th January 2024

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The baptism of Christ by Malcolm Guite

Beginning here we glimpse the Three-in-one;
The river runs, the clouds are torn apart,
The Father speaks, the Spirit and the Son
Reveal to us the single loving heart
That beats behind the being of all things,
And calls and keeps and kindles us to light.
The dove descends, the spirit soars and sings
"You are my beloved, you are my delight!"
In that swift light and life, as water spills
And streams around the Man like quickening rain,
The voice that made the universe reveals
The God in Man who makes it new again.
He calls us too, to step into that river
To die and rise and live and love forever.

- Sounding the Seasons. Canterbury Press

Malcolm puts us into the scene where John the Baptist and Jesus meet. We can remember our baptism and reflect on the Trinity. We can meditate too on our East Window.