

# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada



## HOLY CROSS (transferred)

September 19, 2021  
Season of Creation

Holy Baptism & Sung Eucharist 10am  
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## Welcome to St. John the Evangelist.

*We acknowledge that we gather at St. John's on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Nation. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.*

By attending this service, you are agreeing to appear on video in our on-line worship offering through St. John's website and Facebook site.

Yellow stage of our diocesan Pandemic plan means various safety measures to help reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission. Some things are the same as in Amber stage and some are different. Please be mindful of the following:

- Continue to wear your mask throughout the service.
- Remain in your pew for the duration of the service unless it is necessary for you to move. The washroom at the back of the church is available for use. If it is occupied, please ensure physical distancing as you wait.
- Currently, Sunday School is offered virtually. We are working to return to in-person Sunday School soon.
- Congregational singing has returned!
- Refrain from physical contact with those outside your "bubble." When exchanging the peace, make eye contact, smile (behind your mask!) and nod or bow to your neighbours, while wishing the peace of Christ.
- The offering plates will not be passed. You may place your envelope in the offering plate at either the back of the church at the exits.
- Communion in one kind will be brought to you in your pew. Please keep your mask on until the clergy has moved away from you. You should sanitize your hands before and after receiving Communion.
- Following the service, please wait for the Greeter to direct your row to exit the church via **side** aisles to the front doors. If you entered by the back parking lot, you may exit via the centre aisle towards the back. Please sanitize your hands upon leaving.
- Cold drinks will be available on the front lawn after the service, weather permitting or in the parish hall (maximum 25 people). Please observe physical distancing while catching up with friends and neighbours. Please wear your mask unless you are sipping your lemonade!
- Please continue to be patient and kind with yourself and one another as we navigate the current "normal."

# Holy Baptism & Sung Eucharist

Hymns are from the blue Common Praise hymnbooks unless otherwise indicated

We welcome into the household of God through the waters of baptism  
Isaiah Marshall John Everall

## ***Prelude***

## **Hymn 500**

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: There is one body and one Spirit,

**People: There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Presider: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

**People: One God and Father of all.**

### **Collect of the Day**

Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself, may we who rejoice in the mystery of our redemption, have grace to take up our cross and follow him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

#### **First Reading**

Numbers 21:4b-9

The people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit

the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

***Psalm 98:1-6*** (said in unison; please remain seated)

**Sing to the Lord a new song, \* for he has done marvellous things.**

**With his right hand and his holy arm \* has he won for himself the victory.**

**The Lord has made known his victory; \* his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.**

**He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, \* and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**

**Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; \* lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

**Sing to the Lord with the harp, \* with the harp and the voice of song.**

## **Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 1:18-24

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim

Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **Holy Gospel**

John 3:13-17

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

(Jesus said) "No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **Sermon**

### **Presentation and Examination of Candidates**

Presider: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Presenter: I present Isaiah Marshall John Everall to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Presider: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Answer: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Answer: I will, with God's help.

*The presider asks the following questions of the parents and sponsors who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.*

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Answer: I do.

*The presider then addresses the congregation.*

Presider: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Isaiah in his life in Christ?

**People: We will.**

### **Prayers for the Candidate**

Presider: Let us now pray for Isaiah who is to receive the sacrament of new birth, saying "*Lord, hear our prayer.*"

# THE CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

## **Thanksgiving over the Water** *(please stand)*

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **Baptismal Covenant**

Presider: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant. Do you believe in God the Father?

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**All: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**All: I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Presider: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**All: I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**All: I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

**All: I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

**All: I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**All: I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

**All: I will, with God's help.**



While the candidate moves to the baptistry, the congregation sings the following verse twice:

**May God who creates you give you light;  
May God who sustains you make you wise;  
May God who protects you give you joy,  
May God who surrounds you give you peace.**

*The presider pours water on the candidate, saying:*

*Isaiah Marshall John* I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own forever.

*The presider prays over the newly baptized.*

Presider: Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant Isaiah the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

### **The Giving of Light**

*A representative from the congregation gives the newly baptized a lighted candle. The congregation is invited to stand.*

Presider: Receive the light of Christ to show that you have passed from darkness into light.

**People: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.**

Presider: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**People:** We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

### **The Peace**

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

*Please remain in your pew during the peace. Make eye contact with your neighbour, smile behind your mask and wish them the peace of Christ.*

### **Hymn 585**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

### **Prayer over the gifts**

#### **Great Thanksgiving (Supplemental Eucharistic Prayer 1)**

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider: Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation. Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory saying:

**All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider: Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." And now we gather in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Presider: Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever.  
**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**All: 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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

Presider: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: We being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Presider: The gifts of God are for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **Communion**

*Everyone who has been baptized is welcome to receive Holy Communion. During this stage of the pandemic, only the bread will be offered. Please remain in your pews and the clergy will come and give communion to you. Please keep your mask on until they have moved away from you, at which point you may remove your mask to consume the bread. Sanitize your hands before and after receiving Communion.*

**Hymn after Communion 74** *(please stand)*

## **Prayer after Communion**

### **Doxology**

Presider: Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us, can do even more that we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, forever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

### **Dismissal**

Deacon: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 565**

## **Postlude**

*Following the service, please wait until directed by the Greeter to leave your pew by the side aisle and proceed to the exit at the front of the church closest to you. Please keep your physical distance as you exit. If you entered via the back door, you may leave via the centre aisle to that exit. Please take your belongings with you. Thank you for worshipping with us today.*

Presiding Celebrant  
The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah

Preacher  
The Reverend Robert Sicard

Reader & Intercessor  
10am: Donna Howard

Greeters  
10am: Nancy Fleming; Linda MacLaren

Readings for next Sunday, September 26, XVIII Sunday after Pentecost  
Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22; Psalm 124; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50

**In our Parish we pray for:** Margaret; Dan, Philip & Liane Burns; Ann R. Bothwell; Melanie; Dale Kerr; Susan & Garry Peters; Bill Pollock; Paul Dunlop; Val L.; Rita; Chris Cutler; Drew; Tim; Vivian; Sandra; Lila P.

**Friends of the Parish we pray for:** Zachary & Terri, Jacqui, David; John Duncan; Nancy & Mary Esther Griffith; Sarah Telford; Robert Apro; Logan; Meagan, Jeff, and Baby Grayson; Jasmine Claxton; David M.; Katherine F.; Carol; Bob & Marnie McCook; Bernie Rawlings; Carole & Donald Foster; Brian Doherty; Penny Harper; Don D; Beth; Joan; Grace Buffam; Ashley, Mike, Keaton & Elara.

**Parishioners residing in retirement/nursing homes we pray for:** Bev Lannin; Cora Beasley; Thelma Doherty; Betty Gault; Helen Cameron; Brenda Hauraney; Ken Winkenweder; Joan Dillon; Pat & Lily Willis; Leona Jones; Norma McPhee-Ranger; Jean Green; Marion Bennett.

**In our Diocese we pray for:** The Right Rev'd Shane Parker, Bishop of Ottawa; Christ Church, Aylmer; The Rev'd Canon Kevin Flynn; our Diocesan Director of Communications and Stewardship Development, Jane Scanlon; for volunteer university and college campus chaplains; for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Season of Creation Sept 1 – 30**

Take time this month to be particularly mindful of the created order and our call for good environmental stewardship. For resources and ways to mark the season of creation, visit <https://www.anglican.ca/publicwitness/season-of-creation/>

## **Monday Night Bible Study (virtual via ZOOM) Mondays at 7pm**

Pour yourself a pint or a cuppa, log-in and join the discussion on the Gospel passage for the upcoming Sunday. To get the ZOOM log-in coordinates, e-mail [catherine-ascah@ottawa.anglican.ca](mailto:catherine-ascah@ottawa.anglican.ca)

## **Book of Revelation Study (in-person) 12noon Wednesdays**

In-person study is limited to 10 people total in the Yellow Stage of our pandemic plan. Registration is currently full, but if you wish to be added to a wait list, contact the Rev'd Robert Sicard at [rsicard07@gmail.com](mailto:rsicard07@gmail.com) Bring a bag lunch, your bible, an open heart and mind.

## **Community Dinner on Delivery: Today**

Shepherd's Pie, salad, roll & cake are on delivery this afternoon. Thank you Dan, Virginia and all the volunteers that make this ministry happen

## **The Parson's Soup**

The Parson is making soup again this autumn! Proceeds will go to PWRDF. Choose from butternut squash & apple bisque or roasted carrot & shallot. Soups will be frozen and cost \$5/500ml (16oz). Contact the parish office to order.

## **Walking Pilgrimage 10:30am – 1pm Sat Oct 2 Rain or shine**

Millpond Conservation Area 4774 Briton-Houghton Bay Road in Rideau Lakes.

A combination of silence, readings, prayer and reflection on creation and our place in it as we hike the approximately 4.5km route. Trails are marked, but include uneven and sometimes shifting terrain with inclines, downward slopes, exposed rocks and tree roots. Wear clothing suitable to the weather and sturdy walking shoes or boots with good treads and bring a pack lunch.

COVID protocols will be observed. No pre-registration is required.

## **Blessing of the Animals 4pm Sun Oct 3**

Bring your critters, large or small for a blessing! There will be a prize for the "best dressed" pet!



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## Weekly Liturgies

Holy Eucharist – Sundays 8am & 10am – Wednesdays 10am

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