**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH**

**Diocese of Ottawa • Anglican Church of Canada**



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**FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

**February 6, 2022**

**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 the diocesan Pandemic plan means various safety measures to help reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission. It has proven very effective for our church. Please show patience, kindness, respect and care for one another in these challenging times.

* Proof of vaccination is **not** required to attend worship services. All of St. John’s clergy have been fully vaccinated.
* Masks are mandatory, even if you are fully vaccinated. Continue to wear your mask throughout the service. And continue with physical distancing.
* The washroom at the back of the church is available for use. If it is occupied, please ensure physical distancing as you wait.
* Starting Feb 13, Sunday School is offered in the lower hall. At this time, children will remain in Sunday School for the duration of the service.
* The offering plates will not be passed. You may place your donation in the box/bowl at the back of the church or at the exits. Thank you for your donation!
* Communion is now offered in **both kinds** for those who wish to receive it. The Greeter will indicate when you may leave your pew. Please make your way up the centre aisle to the clergy at the chancel steps to receive the bread, and then make your way to the table at the side aisle where you may receive the wine. The Communion assistant will say to you “The blood of Christ.” You may choose to pick up the chalice and drink from it, or simply bow your head in response if you do not wish to receive. *Please note that intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine)* *is* ***not*** *permitted*. Once you drink from the chalice, place it back on the table. The Communion assistant will then wipe the rim and rotate it for the next recipient and you return to youur pew via the side aisle. You may remove your mask when you receive Communion and replace it as you return to your pew.
* 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.

**SUNG EUCHARIST ~ 10am**

Congregational singing is not permitted at this time.

Music will be offered by the choir.

***Prelude***

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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***Gloria*** *(sung by the choir)**Tune: Darwall*

*Glory to God on high, and peace to all on earth.*

*We worship you, we give you thanks, our heavenly King.*

*We give you praise, almighty God and Father blessed in glory bright.*

*Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Father’s only Son,*

*the sacrificial Lamb, who saves the world from sin,*

*have mercy Lord. Beside the Father’s hand enthroned,*

 *now hear our prayer.*

*You only are the Lord. You only are most high.*

*You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Christ.*

*And now you reign with Father and with Spirit one in glorious light.*

**Collect of the Day**

Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**First Reading** Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: ‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.’ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: ‘Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!’ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: ‘Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.’ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here am I; send me!’

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**All:** **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 1** *(said in unison; please remain seated)*

**Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \* nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**

**Their delight is in the law of the Lord, \* and they meditate on his law day and night.**

**They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \* everything they do shall prosper.**

**It is not so with the wicked; \* they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

**Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes, \* nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.**

**For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, \* but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I should remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news\* that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader:The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Holy Gospel** Luke 5:1-11

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with thy spirit.**

Gosepller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All: Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, ‘Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.’ Simon answered, ‘Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.’ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, ‘Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!’ For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, ‘Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.’ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

**All:** **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

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**Intercessions** *(Please kneel or sit. Response: hear our prayer)*

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**The Peace** *(Please stand)*

*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*** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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**Communion**

*All who are baptized are welcome to receive the bread and/or the wine of Holy Communion. At the Greeter’s direction, please make your way to the chancel steps to receive the bread, and then to the the side aisle where you may receive the wine. Be assured that in the Anglican tradition receiving in one kind is considered full Communion. Please maintain physical distance from the person in front of you as you move to and from Communion.*

***Hymns during Communion*** *Lord I Lift your Name on High*

 *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

**Prayer after Communion**

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***Hymn*** *Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones*

***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 & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah

 Reader & Intercessor: Cindy Penman

Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis; Kathy Porter

Greeters: Nancy Fleming; Linda MacLaren

Readings for next Sunday, February 13, 2022

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1; 1 Corinthians 15:12-20; Luke 6:17-26

**In our Parish we pray for:** 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; Erin; Rachael; Diane; Duncan; Pat.

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING**

St. John's will hold its annual Vestry meeting on-line via ZOOM on **Sunday, February 27 at 11am.**

To register to attend, e-mail: dan.dwillis+vestry@gmail.com

If you wish to let your name stand for election for parish office, please contact Paul Howard or Karen Bryan. Please note that in order to let your name stand for election, you must be a member of Vestry, pursuant Canon 5.02

There will be only *one* in-person liturgy on Feb 27 at *9am*

**Friends of the Parish we pray for:** Zachary & Terri, Jacqui, David; John Duncan; Nancy; Sarah Telford; Robert Apro; Logan; Meagan, Jeff, and Baby Grayson; Jasmine Claxton; David M.; Katherine F.; Carol; Bernie Rawlings; Carole & Donald Foster; Brian Doherty; Don D; Beth; Joan; Martha; Lorna; Susan; Sylvia: Donnie; Jennifer G.

**Parishioners residing in retirement/nursing homes we pray for:** Bev Lannin; Cora Beasley; Thelma Doherty; Helen Cameron; Brenda Hauraney; Joan Dillon; Pat & Lily Willis; Leona Jones; Norma McPhee-Ranger; Jean Green; Joan Davison; Vivian Fleming; Marilyn Nicholson.

**In our Diocese we pray for:** The Rt. Rev’d Shane Parker, Bishop of Ottawa; St. James, Otter Lake; Regional Deans in our diocese. In our Companion Diocese of Jerusalem, Christ Church, Nazareth, Israel.

**Accession of Queen Elizabeth II**

Today marks the 70th anniversary of the accession of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II to the throne.

**Prayers for Cornerstone Housing for Women**

* The past week’s protests in Ottawa have been extremely stressful for people experiencing homelessness and the frontline staff working to support the women who access Cornerstone’s emergency women’s shelter. Here are some options for those wishing to support Cornerstone’s residents and staff:
* Send in a positive and supportive message to shelter staff and residents by mailing cards and supportive messages to Cornerstone Housing for Women, 314 Booth St., Ottawa, K1R 7K2.
* Advocate for those experiencing homelessness.
* Pray for the residents and staff of Cornerstone and all those who are experiencing trauma and fear as a result of the noise and harassment, and for a peaceful resolution.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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, contact catherine-ascah@ottawa.anglican.ca

**Sunday School**

In-person Sunday School will resume next **Sun, Feb 13** at 10am. Children will gather downstairs in the hall. All COVID protocols are followed to keep everyone as safe as possible. Please contact Emily Duberville at emduberville@hotmail.com for more information.

**Vestry Reports**

Groups are asked to submit their Vestry reports to the office by Thurs Feb 10. Electronic copy (in MS Word if possible) is preferred via e-mail to stjohns\_smithsfalls@bellnet.ca Hardcopies may be mailed or dropped off at the parish office between 9am – 12noon.

**Affordable Housing Initiative Information Session: Tues Feb 22 6:30pm**

It has been a long time since the Mission and Ministry Task Force (now included in St. John’s Outreach Committee) and Carebridge Community Support have been able to offer a substantial update on the affordable housing project Carebridge is undertaking in Smiths Falls. This was due to long waits around Rapid Housing Initiative grant applications Carebridge submitted in 2020 and 2021. While there was no new information to share, Carebridge and members of the Outreach Committee did continue to stay in touch. In December, Carebridge opted to proceed with the project under a more traditional co-investment model and is now able to share their plans more widely. On **Feb 22 at 6:30pm** there will be an information session held via ZOOM. This is an *information session*, and will offer members of St. John’s a chance to see what Carebridge has developed and to ask questions about the project. Members of the congregation are encouraged to participate as this relates to our mission and ministry objectives first articulated in 2018-2019.

Please register in advance for this information session, by e-mail: dan.dwillis+housing@gmail.com For those who do not have access to ZOOM, an information package based on the presentation will be made available.

**Tax Receipts**

Tax receipts for the year ending 2021 were mailed this past week. If you do not receive your tax receipt in the next two weeks, please contact Envelope Secretary Nancy Fleming.

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**Weekly Liturgies**

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

\*Sunday School offered at 10am

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